

PROCESS FOR PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, ADJUNCT IN ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-23

The Office of the Dean of Faculty invites applications during the academic year 2022-23 for Assistant Professors, Adjunct, to be considered for promotion to the rank of Associate Professor, Adjunct, at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. We are pleased to inform you that there will continue to be no limit on the number of promotions to Associate Professor, Adjunct available. Any adjunct faculty member meeting the criteria for promotion may be promoted this year. Promotions will become effective on August 16, 2023.

Applications are reviewed by each candidate's department, as well as the Adjunct Review Committee made up of eight faculty members (three full-time faculty, three part-time faculty, the Faculty Liaison, and the Chair of Faculty). Recommendations for promotion are then made by the Adjunct Review Committee to the Dean of Faculty.

Please read carefully the promotion eligibility criteria, procedures, and timetables outlined in this document.

Faculty who plan to apply for promotion should consult with their Department Chair(s) prior to applying and work closely with their Department Chair(s) and administrative staff during the promotion application process.

Additional information about faculty ranks, eligibility, and the promotion process can be found in the [Faculty Handbook](#) and [Faculty Handbook Supplement](#).

Please note that faculty who submit an application for promotion are not eligible to apply for a merit raise in the same year.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR PROMOTION TO THE RANK OF ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, ADJUNCT

- Must have served a minimum of five years as a faculty member in the degree program at SAIC at the time of application
- Must demonstrate teaching effectiveness
- Must have a record of professional involvement (this will be emphasized in the review process)

The Adjunct Review Committee considers support for promotion from the department, evidence of professional involvement, course evaluations, original date of hire, and letters of recommendation.

BENEFITS OF PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, ADJUNCT

Associate Professors, Adjunct receive an increase to their per course rate. They remain eligible to participate in the institutionally supported health and welfare benefits program. To participate in the program, an adjunct faculty member must teach a minimum of six credit hours during the academic year (fall and spring semesters), and be paid on a 12-month contract. Adjunct faculty with at least 3 years of continuous employment may apply for the Tuition Exchange Scholarship Program. In addition, Associate Professors, Adjunct may apply for adjunct paid leaves-of-absence.

PROCEDURE AND TIMELINE FOR PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, ADJUNCT

Please adhere to the timeline below, as the dates differ slightly from those in the Faculty Handbook.

Assistant Professors, Adjunct interested in applying for promotion must first discuss their candidacy with the Department Chair or Program Head in light of the criteria stated in the [Faculty Handbook](#). The candidate must contact their Department Chair(s) to indicate interest in applying for promotion and to discuss departmental support in advance of applying. The Dean's Office gives discretion to Department Chairs to determine curricular needs and how a potential candidate's qualifications may meet that need.

By December 15, 2022, candidates submit application materials to their Department Chair(s). Please submit application materials in a single pdf format with a table of contents for easy navigation.

Applications must include the following:

- Cover letter
- Resume/CV
- Documentation of professional work
- Three sample syllabi
- Three letters of support, either external or internal

The Senior Administrative Director will add a history of courses taught and evaluations from the last three years (Fall 2019 through Spring 2022) to each file after submission for departmental review.

Before February 7, 2023, each Department Chair sets a departmental meeting to review application(s). All full-time and part-time faculty are invited to attend and review candidate materials. Full-time faculty cast a formal vote and part-time faculty are polled for their recommendations for promotion. See [Faculty Handbook Supplement](#), Section 4, C. Promotions, b. Assistant Professor and Associate Professor, Adjunct (pages 9-10) for more details.

By March 1, 2023, each Department Chair submits a letter (in digital form) *for each candidate*, along with the candidate's application and supplemental materials, that either recommends, or does not recommend, a promotion of the candidate. The letter should be addressed to the Dean of Faculty and submitted to Molly Roth Scranton, Associate Director of Faculty Affairs, at mscranton@saic.edu. **At the time that the letter is submitted to the Dean, it should also be shared with the candidate.**

The Department Chair's letter to the Dean of Faculty includes the names and ranks of those in attendance at the meeting, the formal full-time faculty vote, the informal part-time faculty poll, a summary of the student evaluations, a general overview/summary of the department's discussion of the candidate, and the Department Chair's individual recommendation regarding the candidate.

In March, the Adjunct Review Committee, assembled by the Chair of Faculty, will review all application materials and make recommendations to the Dean of Faculty. The committee of eight faculty includes three full-time faculty, three part-time faculty, the Faculty Liaison (Associate Professor Adam Mack, Department of Liberal Arts) and the Chair of Faculty (Professor Shaurya Kumar, Department of Printmedia).

In April, The Dean of Faculty will review all pertinent materials with the Chair of Faculty. Final decisions regarding promotion to Associate Professor, Adjunct rank rest with the Dean of Faculty.

In May, decisions are communicated to all candidates and departments, and promotions are announced to the SAIC community.

ELECTED FACULTY REPRESENTATIVES WHO CAN HELP WITH THE ADJUNCT PROMOTION PROCESS

Shaurya Kumar – Chair of Faculty
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