G. Emerit Faculty Appointment

III G 1. Eligibility
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Upon retirement, in consultation with the dean and VCAA, the chair or director will approve the faculty request for emerit status. The unit will process the emerit rank through the University’s personnel management system, which will automatically notify the Office of the Provost and Human Resource Services (HRS).

III G 2. Notification of Granting of Emerit Rank
A letter of recognition will be sent by the provost to each faculty retiree named to an emerit rank.

III G 3. Privileges of Emerit Rank
The emerit rank shall entail continued campus courtesies including the options to

1) use library and recreational facilities
2) receive publications sent to active faculty and members of the Alumni Association
3) participate in contract, grant, and other scholarly endeavors in an unpaid capacity
4) negotiate with chairs or directors for office space, laboratory space, and computer (retain internet, e-mail, and other cloud services available to faculty at large) and facility access as available
5) participate in academic convocations, commencements, and other academic endeavors; and
6) request that their names be retained in the University catalog until their death.

III G 4. Rehiring Emerit Faculty

Prior to offering a paid position to a retiree, the request must be approved by an HRS Benefits Director.

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III G 54. Management of space and other resources used by Emeritus Faculty

As noted in section III.G.3.(4), emeritus faculty may negotiate with academic chairs, school directors or academic directors for the use of institutional resources. The appropriate chair or director shall be responsible for overseeing the activities of emeritus faculty granted access to institutional resources. The appropriate chair or director shall be responsible for executing all faculty or PI activities outlined in the appropriate sections of the BPPM and SPPM including, but not limited to, BPPM 50.20, Access to University Facilities, and relevant Chapters within SPPM Section 4, Laboratory Safety, including SPPM 4.12, and Section 5, Chemical Hazardous Materials Safety. The chair or director will communicate and coordinate with the emeritus Faculty member to ensure compliance with all relevant lab safety and health WSU policies and procedures and related federal, state, and local laws.

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