

Sense of the Senate Resolution on Instructional Faculty Renewal

Faculty Senate

Professional Relations Committee

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First Reading

Whereas, Instructional Faculty serve an important role in the academic mission of Ohio University, and

Whereas, Instructional Faculty provide a significant share of credit hour delivery, and

Whereas, Instructional Faculty achieve merit-based promotions in rank, and

Whereas, Instructional Faculty have the expectation of multi-year, renewable contracts as provided for in the Faculty Handbook, and

Whereas, Instructional Faculty with multi-year contracts allows for stable curricular planning within and across academic units, and

Whereas, Instructional Faculty experienced nonrenewal (or non-reappointment) based on *ad hoc* criteria, and

Whereas, Instructional Faculty are distinct from Clinical and Fixed-term Contract Faculty,

Be it resolved, the Faculty Senate calls on each Ohio University College and/or Academic Unit to have the following:

- (1) A clearly articulated set of decision-making criteria regarding the offer of multi-year contracts for instructional faculty, and
- (2) A clearly articulated set of decision-making criteria regarding the nonrenewal (or non-reappointment) of Instructional Faculty.