# **Evaluation of Faculty Teaching: Methods of Evaluation**

# **Faculty Self-evaluation of Teaching**

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# **Self-Evaluation Process: Primary Steps or Stages**

- 1. Planning the evaluation.
- 2. Collecting and recording information.
- 3. Analyzing and interpreting the results.
- 4. Identifying needed changes.
- 5. Developing an action plan to implement the changes.
- 6. Evaluating and documenting the evaluation process itself.

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### Purpose, Formats, and Typical Content

#### Purpose of Self-evaluation of Teaching

- Give space for and validate teacher's voice and commentary in the evaluation process
- Supply a context in which the results from other evaluation instruments or procedures can be read and interpreted
- Offer faculty some ownership of the evaluation process
- Help link teaching evaluation with faculty development

#### Format for Reports the Results of Self-evaluations

- Reflective letter included as part of a teaching portfolio
- Separate reflective essay

#### **Typical Content**

- Statement of teaching philosophy
- Response to and analysis of student course evaluations
- Response to and analysis of peer or chair reviews
- Response to and analysis of previous promotion and tenure committee reports
- Explanation of the roles the teacher plays in the department or program
- Explanation of the responsibilities the teacher has assumed
- Explanation of teaching methodologies and strategies
- Efforts undertaken to improve as a teacher

# **Typical Teaching Roles and Responsibilities**

- Teaching courses
- Mentoring and advising students
- Training or guiding teaching assistants
- Managing instructional resources (overseeing studios, labs, resource centers)
- Securing funds for education
- Mentoring other teachers

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# **Self-Evaluation: Sources of Information**

- Self-monitoring
- Audio-tape/video tape
- Information from students
  - o Questionnaires
    - Beginning of year
    - Mid-year
    - End-of-year
  - o Interviews
- Student test results
- Outside observers
  - o Fellow faculty member
  - o Administrator
  - o Faculty from Learning Teaching Center

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