Subject: Graduate Council Resolution – Graduate Faculty Designation

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) Graduate Council acts as a council of advisors to the Dean of the Graduate School providing recommendations to be considered for adoption.

WHEREAS, the following justification has been accepted by the Graduate Council from Dean Wisniewski:

Establishing a Graduate Faculty designation recognizes the importance and excellence of graduate education at UAA. UAA’s graduate programs have grown, and UAA is now a doctoral granting institution. This includes a PhD in clinical psychology, and a Doctor of Nursing Practice. We want to acknowledge these achievements.

In addition, a graduate faculty designation has the following benefits:

- It puts us on par with our peer and aspiring peer institutions, which all have graduate faculty.
- It makes it clear which faculty on campus are eligible to:
  - Be the primary advisor to a graduate student, and
  - Be eligible to serve on graduate thesis and project committees.
- It is easier for our faculty to serve as external committee members for students at other institutions that also have a graduate faculty designation requirement.
- It can be valuable in the recruitment of quality faculty and students.
- It improves how UAA is perceived.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE GRADUATE COUNCIL RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING POLICY TO THE DEAN OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL:

Who are Graduate Faculty?

Full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty from any department at the University of Alaska Anchorage who have ongoing responsibility for the graduate program are automatically part of this designation. Graduate Program Faculty status for other individuals who have graduate degrees and/or relevant expertise (e.g., may include emeritus faculty, research scientists, term faculty, and adjunct faculty) may be assigned by the department.

Departments will determine the criteria and provide the Dean of the Graduate School with lists of their current Graduate Faculty, and the Dean of the Graduate School will send letters of recognition to the Graduate Faculty to complete the designation of this honor. Departments are also responsible for notifying the Dean...
of the Graduate school of faculty who are to be added (such as new hires) or
removed from the list of Graduate Faculty.

Passed and approved by the University of Alaska Anchorage Graduate Council on
this 17th day of November 2017.

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Chair, UAA Graduate Council

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