

# A-028 FACULTY EMERITUS STATUS

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In accordance with Minnesota State Board of Trustees Policy 4.8, Emeritus Status (<https://www.minnstate.edu/board/policy/408.html>), SMSU establishes the following guidelines for the designation of faculty emeritus status.

Emeritus status is an honor conferred upon retirement, recognizing the person's previously held position at the institution.

Faculty emeritus status may be conferred posthumously, upon faculty recommendation as described below, in those cases in which death precedes the possibility of retirement.

## Eligibility

Eligibility for consideration includes:

- a record of distinguished academic service to the University
- a minimum of ten years of service to SMSU

Eligible faculty members shall be considered within six months before, or one year after, the effective date of full retirement.

Nominations must originate from the faculty. Nominations will be taken from the floor at a meeting of the Faculty Assembly. At a later meeting of the Faculty Assembly, there will be time for discussion of the nominees followed by a secret ballot. Nominees receiving a simple majority of those voting will be recommended to the President. Conferring emeritus shall be done by the President or the President's designee.

## Privileges

Recipient privileges at the University shall include:

- continued access to SMSU email account
- a privilege card that can be used for ease of access to the University library and free admission to university-sponsored events

Faculty have discretion in choosing a title to identify their status. Examples include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Latin designations: emeritus, emerita, emeriti, emeritae
- Retired with distinction or retired with merit

## Related Documents

Board of Trustees Policy 4.8, "Faculty Emeritus (<https://www.minnstate.edu/board/policy/408.html>)"

## Policy History

**Date of Adoption:** February 13, 1980

**Date of Revision:** September 16, 2024

### Date and Subject of Amendments

9/16/2024 – The language was updated to reflect the Board of Trustee language found in 4.8, "Faculty Emeritus," and minor edits.