University Faculty Meeting

August 14, 2023

Fall Course Offerings

Undergraduate

Level	ONLINE		ONGROUND	
	# Sections	% Total	# Sections	% Total
1000	49	7%	623	93%
2000	66	14%	420	86%
3000	37	7%	530	93%
4000	70	12%	535	88%
TOTAL	222	10%	2108	90%

Graduate

Level	ONLINE		ONGROUND	
	# Sections	% Total	# Sections	% Total
5000	34	43%	45	57%
6000	142	61%	90	39%
7000	14	23%	46	77%
Total	190	51%	181	49%

Note: Data includes Tennessee Tech campus course sections with nonzero enrollment.
Excludes sections for practica, internships, theses, dissertations, 2+2 sites, dual enrollment.
Data snapshot as of 1Aug2023.
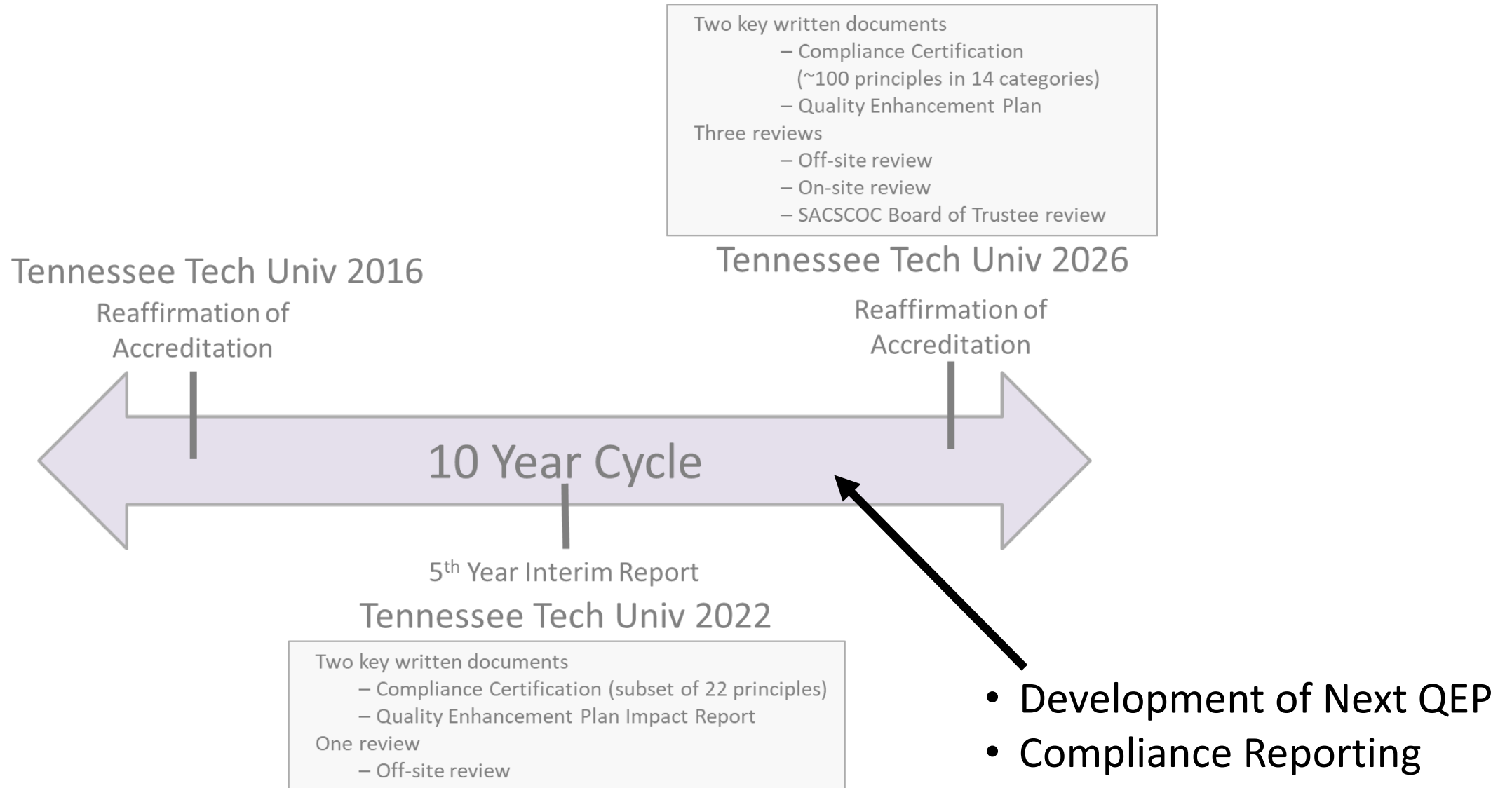
Policy Updates

Academic Affairs

- Policy No. 206 – Faculty Promotion

- Policy No. 211 – Appointment and Evaluation of Chairpersons

- Policy No. 247 – International Health Insurance

- Policy No. 271 – General Graduate Degree Requirements

Other

- Policy No. 511.1 – Fee Charges, Refunds, and Fee Adjustments

- Policy No. 537 – Naming Buildings, Facilities and Organizational Units

- Policy No. 613 – Bereavement Leave

- Policy No. 706 – Research Centers

- Policy No. 735 – Financial Conflict of Interest in Research

- Policy No. 780 – Misconduct in Research

University Accreditation - SACSCOC

Two key written documents
  – Compliance Certification
    (~100 principles in 14 categories)
  – Quality Enhancement Plan
Three reviews
  – Off-site review
  – On-site review
  – SACSCOC Board of Trustee review

Tennessee Tech Univ 2016

Reaffirmation of Accreditation

Tennessee Tech Univ 2026

Reaffirmation of Accreditation

10 Year Cycle

5th Year Interim Report

Tennessee Tech Univ 2022

Two key written documents
  – Compliance Certification (subset of 22 principles)
  – Quality Enhancement Plan Impact Report
One review
  – Off-site review

- Development of Next QEP
- Compliance Reporting

Updates from Artificial Intelligence Task Force

Resources for better understanding of AI and for leveraging the power of AI by faculty and students can be found on the CITL website   www.tntech.edu/citl/ai/

Syllabi Statements

Available on the Provost office website www.tntech.edu/provost

Three options: • Open AI Use Guidelines

• Moderate AI Use Guidelines

• Closed AI Use Guidelines

You are encouraged to use these Guidelines as templates for your syllabus and/or for individual assignments.

Policy 217 – Student Academic Misconduct Policy

This policy has been updated to include language about misuse/unapproved of Generative AI software (like ChatGPT, Bard, etc). Please review the most recent version of this policy.

Promotion and Tenure – Congratulations!

Name	Department/School	College	New Rank
Alley, Robert (Sean)	Economics, Finance & Marketing	Business	Professor
Bhattacharya, Indranil	Electrical & Computer Engineering	Engineering	Professor
Bounds, Paulina	English	Arts & Sciences	Professor
Bruce, J.W.	Electrical & Computer Engineering	Engineering	Professor
Carver, Brian	Biology	Arts & Sciences	Associate Professor
Chitiyo, Rufaro	Human Ecology	Agriculture & Human Ecology	Associate Professor
Cohen, Bradley	Biology	Arts & Sciences	Associate Professor
Cramer, Mark	Music	Fine Arts	Associate Professor
Crockett, April	Computer Science	Engineering	Senior Lecturer
Ductan, Monic	English	Arts & Sciences	Associate Professor
Fornehed, Mary	Nursing	Whitson-Hester School of Nursing	Associate Professor
Hasan, Syed	Electrical & Computer Engineering	Engineering	Professor
Hill, Tristan	Mechanical Engineering	Engineering	Senior Lecturer
Humita, Maria-Cristina	Foreign Languages	Arts & Sciences	Senior Lecturer
Hurt, Carla	Biology	Arts & Sciences	Professor
Ismail, Muhammad	Computer Science	Engineering	Associate Professor
Kalyanapu, Alfred	Civil & Environmental Engineering	Engineering	Professor

Promotion and Tenure – Congratulations!

Name	Department/School	College	New Rank
Mahmoud, Mohamed	Electrical & Computer Engineering	Engineering	Professor
Majors, Twanelle	Chemistry	Arts & Sciences	Senior Lecturer
Matthews, Mary	Music	Fine Arts	Associate Professor
Michel, Lauren	Earth Sciences	Arts & Sciences	Associate Professor
Miller, Jeffrey	Music	Fine Arts	Associate Professor
Pardue, Byron (Andy)	Mechanical Engineering	Engineering	Senior Lecturer
Piras, Susan	Nursing	Whitson-Hester School of Nursing	Professor
Reames, Christopher	Music	Fine Arts	Associate Professor
Roberts, Rory	Mechanical Engineering	Engineering	Professor
Rogers, Mark	Biology (Cooperative Fisheries)	Arts & Sciences	Research Professor
Rosenberger, Amanda	Biology (Cooperative Fisheries)	Arts & Sciences	Research Professor
Stenson, Matthew (Scott)	English	Arts & Sciences	Senior Lecturer
Upole, Hannah	Human Ecology	Agriculture & Human Ecology	Associate Professor
Vaselbehagh, Ahmad	Mechanical Engineering	Engineering	Associate Professor
Wendt, Stephanie	Curriculum & Instruction	Education	Professor
Womack, James (Jeffery)	Music	Fine Arts	Associate Professor

Promotion and Tenure

Policy 205 & 206

Faculty Notify Dept Chair

Workshops
- Deans & Department Chairs, Aug 4, 11am, Tech Pride Room
- Faculty Candidates, Aug 29th, 3pm, RUC 371
- Faculty Candidates, Sept 13th, 3pm, Tech Pride Room
- Peer Committee Chairs, Sept 18th, 3pm, Tech Pride Room

Annual Evaluation Processes

- University-wide Faculty Committee (2021 to 2023)
- Surveys, listening sessions, Faculty Senate, University Councils, Pilot Projects
- Annual Goal Planning
- Annual Activity Report ➡ Calendar Year
- Watermark Faculty Success

- Resources:
  - ➢ Provost Office website: www.tntech.edu/provost (tabs for faculty resources, chair/director resources, Watermark Implementation)
  - ➢ University-level workshops throughout fall semester
  - ➢ Departments and Colleges can request customized workshops/tutorials (BHRussell@tntech.edu)

Academic Affairs Support for Faculty - Library

- Increased Library Budget by $260,000

    Materials …. Databases, eBooks, On-Demand Services

- Increased Faculty Input on Library Collections

    Driving decisions on services provided and materials purchasing

- InterLibrary Loan (ILL)

    Typically <24 hour turnaround for materials (24/7)

- Get It Now (GIN)

    Typically <2 hour turnaround for materials (24/7)

Academic Affairs Support for Faculty - CAFE

- Faculty Academies
  - Provost's Office Investing $300,000 in Academic Program & Course Development
  - Curricular Program Enhancements of Low-Enrolled Graduate Programs
  - Integration of Educational Technology
  - New Online Courses, Certificates, Programs

- National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity
  - Professional Development Programs for Faculty, PostDocs, Graduate Students
  - On-Demand Seminars and Workshops
  - Multi-Week Leadership Programs

- New Faculty Orientation Program

- Adjunct Training Academy

- Graduate Assistant Training Academy

- Faculty Travel Assistance Program

- Non-Instructional Faculty Assignment (NIFA) Program

Tech Tomorrow Strategic Plan

Education for Life

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Welcome New Faculty Members!

www.tntech.edu/cafe

55 New Faculty Hires

College of Agriculture & Human Ecology – 2

College of Arts & Sciences – 8

College of Business – 6

College of Education – 7

College of Engineering – 13

College of Fine Arts – 6

College of Interdisciplinary Studies – 5

Whitson-Hester School of Nursing - 8

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CAFÉ

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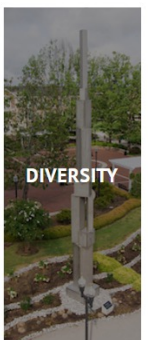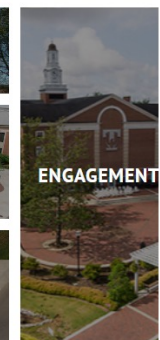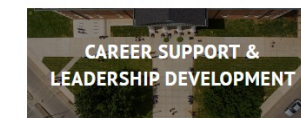Diversity

Faculty Excellence Gallery

CONTACT US

Welcome!

Welcome to the Center for Advancing Faculty Excellence (CAFÉ)! Our mission as the university's faculty development center is to provide support for faculty innovation and lifelong learning. The CAFÉ provides professional development workshops, consultations, web resources, online communities and more, all aimed at helping faculty create an enhanced learning experience for all Tennessee Tech students.

Currently, our faculty resources include information about teaching and learning, research and scholarly activities, engagement, career support and leadership development, and diversity.

Our goal is to improve the coordination of these services and resources while also enhancing campus communication about them to better help facilitate data-driven decision-making.

TEACHING & LEARNING

RESEARCH & SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

ENGAGEMENT   DIVERSITY

CAREER SUPPORT & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Mark Your Calendars

College Town Kickoff, Saturday, August 19, 3-10pm

Faculty Awards Reception, Sept 14, 4pm, Tech Pride Room

Faculty Staff Appreciation Tailgate, Sept 16, 3pm
(TTU vs UNA @ 6pm)

Heating Up the Quad, October

— Academic Affairs —
APPRECIATES YOU!