Council; and approved by the academic dean, whose decision will be based on the relevant department and college guidelines.

- c. In cases in which the result of the approved department review process is to recommend approval of a nominee for graduate faculty status, the department head will submit under his/her signature the nomination along with application packet to the Graduate Council. Upon recommended approval by the Graduate Council, the application packet is forwarded to the academic dean for approval. If the nomination is denied by the academic dean, the process is stopped, and an explanation of the denial is provided to the department head. If the recommendation is approved, graduate faculty status is achieved. The college dean's recommendation must be based on written college guidelines as well as the relevant department's guidelines regarding expected requirements for appointment and maintenance of Graduate Faculty status at the various levels of appointment. The college guidelines must be agreed upon by the majority of the college faculty eligible for Graduate Faculty status and department heads and approved by the college dean. The final decision to grant Graduate Faculty status will reside with the academic dean, whose decision will be based on the relevant department and college guidelines.
- d. Upon completion of a Graduate Faculty term (5 years for associate and full membership; 3 years for time-limited membership), a faculty member's status may be reviewed for reappointment to the Graduate Faculty, in accordance with the relevant approved department and college guidelines.