Article 34
Emeritus Faculty
University, February 3, 2017

34.1 The Emeritus title recognizes past contributions to the community of scholars at Wright State University and confers on the recipient the rights and privileges of other members of the community of scholars at Wright State University, subject to the limitation of the right to vote and the right to hold elective office, and is conferred as a lifetime status. Insofar as it is possible, and subject to fiscal considerations, the University will extend courtesies and services to Emeritus faculty that facilitate their continuing contributions to the academic life at Wright State University.

34.2 Bargaining Unit Faculty who have served responsibly as full-time faculty ten or more years at Wright State University will be granted the Emeritus title upon retirement and upon written request by the Member of the Bargaining Unit to the Provost. Denial of such requests may only occur when (a) the Member has been terminated or suspended without pay pursuant to Article 15 or (b) the AAUP-WSU and the University agree that the Member’s documented behavior has been sufficiently unprofessional to make granting an emeritus title inappropriate.

34.3 Bargaining Unit Faculty Members who (a) resign after serving as full-time members of the faculty for twenty or more years or (b) retire after serving as full-time members of the faculty for five or more years, but less than ten years, may request consideration for the Emeritus title through the process of a petition to the Provost through the Member’s own administrative unit. In order to be considered for the Emeritus title, the petition of a Member of the Bargaining Unit must be supported by the Dean of the College or School in which the Member holds his or her primary appointment.

34.4 The criteria and procedures for awarding the Emeritus title to a deceased Member are the same as set forth in Section 34.2 except the process may be initiated by a department chair or dean.