Research Center and Institute Faculty Appointment Reference Guide

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE
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Type	Title	Description	Criteria	Duration	Requirements
Joint	Assistant / Associate Professor	Cooperating appointment with a research center or institute, which may be paid partially by the Center or Institute. These appointments are generally made at time of initial appointment, but can be considered after initial appointment.	• Must be a UMaine employee • Must be affiliated with an academic unit • Must possess a terminal degree	Follows the Promotion and Tenure time line	• MOU • Approval of Center/Institute Director, Academic Unit Chair(s) and Dean(s), VPRDGS, and Provost
Primary	Research Assistant / Associate Professor	Non-tenure track soft-funded (at least partially) appointment. May also be affiliated with an academic unit.	• Must be a UMaine employee • Must possess a terminal degree		• MOU • Approval of Center/Institute Director, VPRDGS, and Academic Unit Chair(s) and Dean(s) and Provost, if applicable
Primary	Associate	Cooperating non-salaried appointment for UMaine faculty and professional staff for the purpose of collaborating with a research center or institute. May submit publications, proposals, and mentor students.	• Must be a UMaine employee	Initial appointment up to 5 years with ability to renew	• MOU • Approval of Center/Institute Director, VPRDGS, and Academic Unit Chair(s) and Dean(s), if applicable • POI Form
Primary	External Associate	Non-salaried appointment for the purpose of collaborating with a research center or institute. May submit publications, proposals, and mentor students.	•	Initial appointment up to 3 years with ability to renew	• MOU • Approval of Center/Institute Director, VPRDGS • POI Form