WORKFLOW FOR MENTORING AND FORMAL 3RD YEAR REVIEW OF DUKE-NUS SIGNATURE RESEARCH PROGRAMME TENURE-TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSORS

DUKE-NUS RESEARCH AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

- 1. Obtains the appointment start date of the tenure-track Assistant Professor (who has not yet attained tenure) from the online Duke-NUS Faculty Database. The appointment start date is defined as the date that the faculty member was officially appointed as tenure-track Assistant Professor on Track IA / IB / IC (without tenure) at Duke-NUS.
- 2. Two months prior to the end of the tenure-track Assistant Professor's:
 - (i) 1st and 2nd Year term of appointment, RAD e-mails the SRP Director:
 - a) to remind the SRP to conduct the Faculty Mentoring Committee meeting (i.e. the Assistant Professor's 1st and 2nd Year mentoring meetings, respectively) with its Assistant Professor; and
 - b) the Faculty Mentoring Committee Record Form to be signed at the end of each mentoring meeting by the:
 - (1) Tenure-track Assistant Professor who is being mentored;
 - (2) SRP Faculty Mentoring Committee Chair; and
 - (3) SRP Director (if the SRP Director is not the Chair of the Faculty Mentoring Committee)
 - (ii) <u>3rd Year term of appointment</u>, RAD sends the SRP Director an e-mail to remind the SRP to conduct the formal 3rd Year Review with its Assistant Professor.



SRP DIRECTOR

- 1. Constitutes the:
 - (i) **Faculty Mentoring Committee**, chaired by the SRP Director or his / her designate, and comprised of a minimum of 2 other senior (i.e. Associate Professor and above) faculty members from Duke-NUS, to provide guidance and mentorship to its tenure-track Assistant Professor at the end of his / her 1st and 2nd Year of appointment. Additional member(s) of the Faculty Mentoring Committee can be senior faculty members and / or senior investigators from external universities or other public institutions.
 - (ii) **Faculty Review Committee**, chaired by the SRP Director or his / her designate the composition of which to be determined by the SRP Director and to include a minimum of two tenured faculty members of Duke-NUS to conduct the formal 3rd Year Review of the tenure-track Assistant Professor. This is to ensure that the Assistant Professor stays on track in his / her academic career, in terms of his / her research, education and academic service outputs.

[Note: The members of the Faculty Review Committee are generally drawn from the Faculty Mentoring Committee, though this is not required.]

- 2. The Faculty Mentoring Committee and Faculty Review Committee meetings with the tenure-track Assistant Professor will be coordinated by the SRP Director's Office.
- 3. Within 2 weeks after the tenure-track Assistant Professor's:
 - (i) Respective 1st and 2nd Year term of appointment, the SRP Director submits the original signed copy of the Faculty Mentoring Committee Record Form to RAD.

- (ii) 3rd Year term of appointment, the SRP Director prepares and submits the original signed copy of the 3rd Year Review Report to the:
 - a) SRP Director's HOO (i.e. HOO of Research); and
 - b) With a copy to RAD.

FOOTNOTES:

- 1. For non-tenure track Instructors / Assistant Professors on Track IIA / IIB whose appointments are subsequently converted to tenure-track Assistant Professor on Track IA / IB / IC (without tenure), the tenure clock starts on the effective date of the Track IA / IB / IC appointment. As such, the countdown to the 1st and 2nd Year mentoring meetings by the SRP Faculty Mentoring Committee will commence from the effective date that the faculty member was appointed as a tenure-track Assistant Professor to Track IA / IB / IC (without tenure). For this group of tenure-track Assistant Professors, their tenure-track Assistant Professor appointment effective date will be taken as that stipulated in their appointment letter issued by the Duke-NUS HR Department.
- 2. For faculty members who were initially given Visiting Faculty Appointments while pending the official approval of their tenure-track Assistant Professor appointments on Track IA / IB / IC (without tenure), the countdown to the 1st and 2nd Year mentoring meetings by the SRP Faculty Mentoring Committee will commence from the effective date that the faculty member was appointed as a tenure-track Assistant Professor to Track IA / IB / IC (without tenure), and not from the start date of the Visiting Faculty Appointment.
- 3. SRP tenure-track (i) Associate Professors and (ii) Professors who are appointed on Track IA / IB / IC (without tenure) and who have not yet attained tenure, are not required to go through the mandatory 1st and 2nd Year mentoring and formal 3rd Year review process that is required for tenure-track Assistant Professors. The tenure-track Associate Professors and Professors can seek or engage their own mentors for guidance and mentorship.

Legend:

HOO : Duke-NUS Head of Office HR : Duke-NUS Human Resources

RAD : Duke-NUS Research Affairs Department SRP : Duke-NUS Signature Research Programme