Goal of Program: Peer review is required for early career faculty to achieve promotion within the U of MN system. Peer review is also helpful, if not critical, to complete as individual instructors work to improve teaching acumen in a conscientious way. Therefore, providing assistance to faculty to improve teaching and to develop a successful P&T dossier through a system of teaching observation, reflection, and planning is the goal of this program.

Types of Assessment/Review – Small group or Lecture:
*Formative* assessment of teaching style and content presentation, to improve classroom effectiveness for student assimilation and retention of material. Formative assessments create data that the faculty may keep private or incorporate into the annual plan to be shared with their department head. *Summative* data to link to Promotion and Tenure dossier development. Peer Review of Teaching data may be related to promotion requirements as specifically defined in a departments 7.12 statement.

Roles of Participants:
*Observed faculty* are those who want a review completed on their teaching performance. The observed faculty should specify areas in which they want input, and meet ahead of time to give background on the course and objectives the lesson plan(s) to be observed. *Reviewing faculty* need to be willing to meet before and after the observation to provide feedback, and to share the rubric to be used to complete the evaluation. Reviewing faculty will primarily be reviewing teaching performance. If used for summative assessments, the reviewing faculty must understand the requirements of the 7.12 statement and to become familiar with the assessment tools.

General Steps for Reviews:
1. Once a faculty member decides they want a review, they should identify and invite/have assistance to invite, the desired reviewer to work with them.
2. An initial meeting is held between the two, and specifics are discussed about the objectives for the review.
3. The classroom/small group observation takes place.
4. The two faculty meet to discuss the observation, and to discuss steps that may assist the observed faculty improve.
5. At the conclusion of the review, all materials are the property of the reviewed faculty.

Checklists:
Sharing evaluation tools and procedures reduces anxiety and clarifies standards reviewed for performance. Checklists will be distributed to all faculty and training offered on completion. The completed checklists may be kept private if not used for P&T, although the fact that reviews were completed need to be reported by all parties on their annual report.
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