

SUMMARY OF ITEM FOR ACTION, INFORMATION, OR DISCUSSION

TOPIC: Report on the Instructional Workload of the USM Faculty

COMMITTEE: Education Policy and Student Life

DATE OF COMMITTEE MEETING: Tuesday, November 15, 2016

SUMMARY: At this meeting, the Committee will review the annual report on the instructional workload of the USM faculty. As in the past, the report summarizes instructional workload, which includes teaching, research, and service activities at all USM degree-granting institutions with tenured or tenure-track faculty.

After poor results reported in last year's report, a series of practice recommendations were prepared to ensure the reporting was effectively capturing all instructional activities and that these activities were being reported. Due to report timing, these recommendations were only partially implemented this year but will be fully implemented for the 2016-17 reporting year. The recommendations focused on the systematic capture of complex instructional activities (e.g. internships, student teaching, music performance courses) and enhanced review on individual campuses of the instructional data.

Overall, results showed some improvement but challenges in meeting the Board's workload goals remain. Key findings include:

- The USM Research institutions collectively met the expected instructional productivity standards (averaging 5.7 courses per faculty member),
- The USM Comprehensive institutions collectively fell below the target (7.1 courses per faculty member),
- Semester credit hour production has remained relatively stable in the last year,
- Outcomes improved with more with degrees awarded and improved 4-year graduation rate, and
- USM levels of grants and other research awards stood at over 1.2 billion dollars for the second straight years.

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FISCAL IMPACT: This is an information item.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION: This is an information item.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: In	DATE: November 15, 2016	
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REPORT ON THE INSTRUCTIONAL WORKLOAD OF THE USM FACULTY

Academic Year 2015-2016



Submitted to Board of Regents' Committee on Education Policy and Student Life November 15, 2016

Office of the Chief Operating Officer / Vice Chancellor of Administration and Finance

REPORT ON THE INSTRUCTIONAL WORKLOAD OF THE USM FACULTY ACADEMIC YEAR 2015-2016

SUMMARY

Key findings of this year's report include:

- Tenure Track Faculty fell below overall workload policy expectations at 6 of 9 institutions detailed in this report, although 5 of 6 institutions below expectations improved this year (see table 1)
- Tenure Track Faculty at the Comprehensive Universities as a group averaged 7.1 Course
 Units per faculty member. On average, the Research institutions exceeded their
 requirement this year with an average of 5.7 Course units (see table 1)
- Core faculty (including all full-time instructional faculty) fell below expectations at 4 of 9
 institutions detailed in this report (see table 2)
- Including critical exceptions, Tenured/Tenure-track faculty met expectations at 7 of 9 institutions, and when all instructional exceptions are included all institutions exceeded the workload expectations. (see table 3)
- Average credit hours produced per faculty member remained stable in the current year, and near five year averages at most institutions (see Table 4 and 5).
- Total semester credit hour production has closely followed enrollment changes at 6 of 9 institutions, and 2 of 9 reflected significant differences between the two figures (see Table 6 and 7).
- Total bachelor's degrees awarded continues to grow with 249 more degrees awarded in the most recent year than last year and more than 1,300 above the level of 5 years earlier (see table 8)
- Time to degree and completion of degrees in 4 years have improved this year to at or near the best performance since these measures were first tracked. (see table 9 and 10)
- Faculty publication and scholarship continue at high levels with nearly 7000 books and more than 14,000 refereed articles published in 2015-2016 (see Table 11)
- Faculty secured 1.2 billion dollars in research funding representing essentially no change over last year's figure (See Table 12)

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INTRODUCTION

An annual report has been provided to the USM Board of Regents since 1994 that synthesizes and scores faculty workload activities with a major emphasis on instructional activities. This report provides summary data on faculty activity at USM degree-granting institutions for the academic year 2015-2016.

Governing Policies

The workload of faculty in the University System of Maryland is governed by a series of policies overseen by the USM Board of Regents and designed to ensure maximum accountability while providing individual campuses high levels of flexibility to deploy faculty in the most effective and efficient way possible. The primary policy governing faculty workload is: USM Board of Regents II-1.25-POLICY ON FACULTY WORKLOAD AND RESPONSIBILITIES. Other policies that clarify specific issues or relate to the Faculty workload include: II-1.19 UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND SYSTEM POLICY ON THE COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF TENURED FACULTY and II 1.05 POLICY ON THE EMPLOYMENT OF FULL-TIME, NON-TENURE TRACK INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY IN THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND. Additionally, beginning in 2004-2005, as an initiative of the Regents' E&E workgroup, research and comprehensive universities were directed to reach a target of 5.5 and 7.5 course units per full-time faculty member respectively. These policies apply to all USM institutions with the exceptions of UMB, UMUC, UB's School of Law, and departments and colleges for whom the standard would violate accreditation standards.

Measures and Definitions

For purposes of uniformity this report combines various faculty activities and different types of faculty employees into relatively broad categories. The metrics for these activities and the types of faculty are defined below.

Metrics of activity:

- Course Unit The key metric used for measuring instructional activity under the Regents' policy is the course unit (CU). One course unit is defined as a standard three-credit lecture course, and all other courses and instructional activity, including individual instruction (i.e., undergraduate research, dissertation research, etc.), are converted to course units using conversion factors defined in the USM policy. A course unit is recorded equally for courses of all types and enrollment levels.
- Semester Credit Hours Courses are measured in semester credit hours (or simply credit
 hours) based on time in classroom (e.g. 3 hours of class contact) multiplied by the total
 students enrolled in a course. The sum of the semester credit hours from all of the classes
 taught by an individual faculty member is used as a supplemental metric of faculty
 instructional productivity.
- Course Exceptions Faculty members are excused from specific teaching duties for a variety of reasons including: research, instruction-related assignments, administrative and service duties, for sabbaticals, and for reasons of health or illness. When calculating

whether institutions are meeting their instructional workload goals exceptions are applied in various configurations to illustrate the work activities of faculty.

Type of faculty:

- Tenured/Tenure-Track Faculty This includes all persons (except the department chair) holding tenured and tenure-track positions who are classified as faculty. Tenured and Tenure-track faculty are responsible for a large portion of the central faculty missions on campus including teaching, service and research.
- Core Faculty Tenured/Tenure-track faculty and Full-time Non-tenured Instructional
 Faculty are classified as an institution's Core faculty. These faculty members are
 responsible for the main activities of teaching and managing the instructional activity of
 the institutions.
- Part-time Faculty This category includes emeritus, adjunct and affiliated faculty, all part-time faculty, and non-departmental administrators (deans, assistant deans, etc.) who taught during the academic year.
- Other faculty In this report all other categories of faculty are treated together and include Department Chairs, Non-Tenure Track Research or Public Service Faculty, and Teaching Assistants.

These categories vary from terminology used in the reporting process. Technical notes on faculty categories in reporting and additional information on the faculty complement for USM institutions can found in the appendices of this report.

INSTRUCTIONAL PRODUCTIVITY

Instructional productivity in this report is expressed in terms of Course Units taught per faculty member (both with and without categories of exceptions), and in semester credit hours delivered both per member and overall. Additionally, various student outcomes are also presented as a measure of the effectiveness of the faculty's activities.

Course Unit Measures

Academic departments are expected to meet the standard instructional expectations set forth by USM Board of Regents as well as institutional policies. This report addresses how well the institutions meet the Board's expectations which are expressed in terms of course units, each of which is the equivalent of teaching a 3 hour course. On average at Research institutions (UMCP and UMBC), each faculty member is expected to teach 5.5 course units per year. At comprehensive institutions, it is expected that the average number of course units taught is expected to be 7.5 per year. UMB and UMUC are not covered under the Regent's policy, and productivity measures are not included for these institutions. Course unit productivity requirements are separately measured and presented for the Tenured/Tenure-track faculty and Core faculty groups.

In the course of their normal work, individual faculty members are assigned alternate responsibilities in place of, and at times in addition to, their standard loads. These additional responsibilities are recognized as those related to instruction (such as unusually large advising loads, developing new curriculum or modality of instruction); departmental administrative

duties; and critical research and service activities. Each responsibility is crucial to the success of the institution in creating a quality learning environment for students as well as fulfilling the institutional role in the State as a community resource. These are recognized through assigned course exceptions that excuse individual faculty members from classroom teaching. These responsibilities do not alter the overall teaching expectations of a department or an institution; however they will affect the distribution of the teaching assignments among faculty members within a department.

The following two tables (Table 1 and 2) display the Average Course Units Taught per Faculty member over the last 5 years. Table 1 shows that data for tenured/tenure-track faculty. During the 2015-2016 academic year, tenured/tenure-track faculty at the USM comprehensive institutions taught an average of 7.1 course units while the tenured/tenure-track faculty at the USM research institutions taught an average of 5.7 course units. In 2015-2016, 6 of 9 USM institutions reported a level of instructional productivity for their tenured/tenure-track faculty members below the Regent's expectation. This is level of performance by USM institutions is roughly equivalent with last year's in terms of meeting the Regent's standard although it does represent some improvement toward the goal at 4 institutions.

Table 1 -Trends in Average Course Units (CU) Taught by Tenured/Tenure-Track Faculty (2011-2012 thru 2015-2016)

,			Cour	se Units per	FTEF	
	FTEF					
	(15-16)	AY 15-16	AY 14-15	AY 13-14	AY 12-13	AY 11-12
BSU	147	7.3	7.2	7.6	7.6	7.5
CSU	137	7.8	7.5	7.8	8.0	8.3
FSU	191	7.3	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.4
SU	246	7.2	6.9	7.2	7.3	7.6
TU	483	6.6	6.5	6.7	6.8	7.0
UB	71	6.6	6.4	7.0	6.2	6.6
UMBC	337	6.6	7.1	6.5	6.6	6.8
UMCP	1,178	5.4	5.3	5.5	5.5	5.6
UMES	133	8.1	7.6	7.7	7.9	7.6
Comprehensives Avg.	1,406	7.1	7.0	7.2	7.2	7.4
Research Avg.	1,515	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.9

When all core instructional faculty (tenured/tenure-track faculty and full-time non-tenure-track instructional faculty) are included 5 of 9 institutions met expectations. Table 2 shows the average course units taught by these two groups of full-time instructional faculty combined. In AY 2015-2016, the total course units taught by tenured/tenure-track and full-time non-tenured/non-tenure-track instructional faculty averaged 7.3 at the comprehensive institutions and 5.9 at the research institutions.

Table 2 – Trends in Average Course Units (CU) Taught by Core Faculty (2011-2012 thru 2015-2016)

		Course Units per FTEF						
	FTEF							
	(15-16)	AY 15-16	AY 14-15	AY 13-14	AY 12-13	AY 11-12		
BSU	198	8.0	7.3	7.8	8.0	7.7		
CSU	144	9.0	8.1	8.5	9.0	9.0		
FSU	226	7.2	7.4	7.3	7.4	7.4		
SU	315	7.3	7.1	7.3	7.4	7.8		
TU	752	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.4		
UB	92	6.7	6.9	7.3	6.4	6.5		
UMBC	465	7.0	7.2	6.9	6.9	6.9		
UMCP	1,431	5.5	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.6		
UMES	200	8.2	7.2	7.4	8.1	7.6		
Comprehensives Avg.	1,926	7.3	7.1	7.4	7.5	7.6		
Research Avg.	1,896	5.9	5.8	5.9	5.9	5.9		

When course exceptions are included in the calculation of course units for an institution, the results are significantly different. Table 3 shows that with the inclusion of core work activities of research and non-course based instruction (along with sabbatical to pursue scholarship), 8 of 9 meet expectations and all institutions substantially increase their workload result. When all exceptions (including departmental administration and service work) are used the difference is even greater and it is worth noting that some of the institutions that perform most poorly in this year's measures have the highest workload.

Table 3 – Average Course Units (CU) Taught by Tenured/Tenure-Track Faculty with Exceptions (2015-2016)

	FTEF	No Exceptions included	Research, Instruction, Sabbatical exceptions included	All Exceptions included
BSU	147	7.3	9.2	13.1
CSU	137	7.8	8.5	8.5
FSU	191	7.3	8.7	9.4
SU	246	7.2	8.5	10.6
TU	483	6.6	7.1	10.6
UB	71	6.6	6.9	9.5
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Credit Hour Productivity Measures

Course unit is the prescribed measure in the governing policy on faculty workload but it is only one of several measures that can be used to consider the instructional activity and effectiveness of faculty. A second key measure is the production of semester credit hours (SCH). Credit hours are the sum of the course hours of all the students taking a class. For example, a 3 credit course with 10 students produces 30 semester credit hours.

Average Credit Hour Generation per Faculty

Table 4 displays the average semester credit hours (SCH) generated over the past three years by tenured/tenure-track faculty. Per past practice, this measure includes instructional, research and sabbatical exceptions. In 2015-2016, tenured/tenure-track faculty members at USM institutions semester credit hour productivity varied considerably but remained within 5% of the 2014-15 totals at 7 of 9 institutions. Table 5 includes full-time non-tenured/non-tenure-track faculty members and reflects this same trend at 6 of 9 institutions. Over the longer term, there has been a general downward trend in average semester credit hours produced. 6 of 9 institution's average SCH have declined over the five-year period for tenured/tenure-track faculty, and for core faculty 5 of 9 institutions semester credit hours declined.

Table 4 – Trends in the Average Credit Hours Generated by Tenured/Tenure-Track Faculty

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Institution	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013	2011-2012
BSU	454	402	547	446	526
CSU	316	316	299	291	263
FSU	472	480	505	496	496
SU	522	530	561	560	606
TU	402	423	406	422	402
UB	379	375	410	366	404
UMBC	359	346	357	345	363
UMCP	405	420	445	470	491
UMES	638	684	742	708	448

Table 5 – Trends in the Average Credit Hours Generated by All Core Faculty

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Institution	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013	2011-2012		
BSU	475	422	573	479	561		
CSU	313	311	298	283	255		
FSU	482	476	477	492	494		
SU	537	528	565	536	615		
TU	434	442	427	440	425		
UB	380	402	407	381	419		
UMBC	475	465	473	469	456		
UMCP	517	521	547	553	568		
UMES	637	615	701	733	542		

Total Semester Credit Hour production

Although the average SCH per faculty member is useful, the figure does not clearly answer the question as to whether the faculty are teaching enough to meet the demands of students for courses to complete degree programs. An analysis of the growth of student enrollment and the aggregate credit hour production can provide a general sense of whether teaching is keeping pace with enrollment growth. With some exceptions, Table 6 suggests that semester credit hour production has roughly kept pace with enrollment growth.

Table 6 – Change in Fall Headcount Enrollment and Total Credit Hours (2011-2012 through 2015-2016)

	Enrollment	Total SCH
BSU	-3.2%	-4.9%
CSU	-18.5%	-14.0%
FSU	6.0%	-1.1%
SU	0.8%	-5.2%
TU	3.8%	0.2%
UB	-2.8%	9.1%
UMBC	4.8%	6.5%
UMCP	1.4%	-0.6%
UMES	-1.0%	-3.7%
USM	1.2%	0.5%

The degree to which tenured/tenure-track and other core faculty are responsible for this total production is illustrated in Table 7. Overall, core faculty account for roughly 2/3 of all credit hours generated by the institutions with substantial variation among institutions. The growth of full-time non-tenure track faculty remains the most significant trend in the use of faculty for instriuction.

Table 7 – Percentage of Credit Hours Produced by Type of Faculty (Current, Change Trends 2011-2012 to 2015-2016)

	Tenured/ Tenure Track	FT Non- tenure track	Part- time	Other	5 Year Change in % taught by Tenured/ Tenure-track faculty	5 Year Change in % taught by Core faculty
BSU	44%	18%	35%	3%	0.1%	-2.2%
CSU	56%	3%	35%	6%	-4.6%	-14.5%
FSU	60%	13%	21%	6%	-1.1%	0.4%
SU	54%	17%	23%	6%	-3.7%	22.8%
TU	38%	27%	35%	2%	1.7%	6.5%
UB	39%	12%	46%	3%	16.4%	12.0%
UMBC	33%	29%	31%	7%	-0.4%	8.7%
UMCP	40%	23%	29%	8%	-10.0%	10.0%
UMES	43%	26%	25%	6%	-3.2%	12.6%
USM	42%	22%	30%	6%	-3.0%	8.0%

Student Outcomes

All of the measures of faculty instructional productivity which have been presented to this point are measures of production efficiency within the system; however, the question is ultimately one of outcome efficiency in terms of degrees produced. Increase or decrease in number of degree recipients reflects the institution's growth in enrollment, success in retaining students to graduation, and the faculty's productivity. The number of graduating students has risen steadily in recent years and is at the highest level yet achieved by the USM. Table 8 reports the degree recipients at USM institutions for the last 5 years.

Table 8 – Trends in the Undergraduate Degrees Awarded (FY 2012-2016)

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Institution	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
BSU	832	801	741	739	688
CSU	464	416	478	409	460
FSU	964	1,032	1,011	969	892
SU	1,967	1,935	1,899	1,872	1,787
TU	4,428	4,422	4,291	4,147	4,101
UB	721	694	665	670	625
UMBC	2,521	2,432	2,250	2,230	2,140
UMCP	7,253	7,166	7,279	7,192	7,043
UMES	574	577	585	514	627
Total	19,724	19,475	19,199	18,742	18,363

Source: Degree Information System

As part of the Effectiveness and Efficiency efforts implemented by the USM Board of Regents, improving student time-to-degree was identified as a major academic initiative. The most recent

graduating class maintained a very rapid time-to-degree through the present year. The ability of students to rapidly and successfully matriculate is also dependent on efficiency and productivity of the faculty, the quality of advising, and the appropriateness of course offerings. Changes in time-to-degree are thus, in part, a reflection of faculty productivity. In recent years, the system overall has seen progress in this area. Table 9 presents the time to degree of the three most recent graduating classes. Table 10 illustrates changes in the four-year graduation rates which, although only a part of the graduation rate picture, are a useful supplemental measure of time to degree. When taken together these measures point to continued success at efficiently moving students through USM institutions.

Table 9 - Undergraduate Time-to-Degree in Years

		Graduating Year	
	2016	2015	2014
BSU	4.7	4.9	4.8
CSU	5.9	5.8	5.8
FSU	3.7	4.2	3.7
SU	4.0	4.0	3.9
TU	4.0	4.1	4.0
UB	4.3	4.5	4.1
UMBC	4.4	4.1	4.5
UMCP	3.9	4.4	4.3
UMES	4.8	4.2	4.1
All USM	4.1	4.2	4.2

Source: Degree Information System Note: Excludes UMB and UMUC

Table 10 - 4-Year Graduation Rate

	Entering Year					
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	
BSU	15%	13%	12%	8%	14%	
CSU	9%	6%	5%	4%	4%	
FSU	27%	23%	23%	21%	24%	
SU	50%	49%	47%	46%	49%	
TU	45%	44%	44%	41%	39%	
UB	8%	12%	9%	17%	19%	
UMBC	36%	34%	35%	33%	35%	
UMCP	63%	65%	65%	63%	61%	
UMES	20%	17%	14%	19%	14%	
All USM	44%	43%	43%	40%	40%	

Source: Degree Information System, Enrollment Information System Note: Graduation anywhere in USM for all First-time Full-time Freshmen

Instructional Faculty Workload at the University of Maryland, Baltimore

The Maryland General Assembly requires the USM to include information regarding the workload of the University of Maryland at Baltimore in our faculty workload report each year. UMB applies a different set of standards that are more appropriate for its professional schools for judging faculty workload. UMB reports that 96% of all core faculty met or exceeded the institution's

standard faculty workload. When compared to previous years, this represents a consistent level of attainment in meeting the standard workload. More than half of the faculty exemptions from teaching the standard load did so to pursue externally funded or department supported research and service.

SCHOLARSHIP, RESEARCH AND SERVICE PRODUCTIVITY

Table 11 is a summary of the scholarship and service activity of the USM faculty from degree-granting institutions (including UMB). Data show that in AY 2014-2015, USM faculty published nearly 700 books and over 14,000 peer-reviewed articles and made or participated in more than 17,000 professional presentations and creative activities. The average USM faculty member spent approximately 12 days in public service to business, government, schools, and non-profit organizations.

Table 11 – Scholarship and Service of the USM Faculty* AY 2015-2016

	Scholarship and Service of the Osivi racally Al 2013 2010					
	# of Books Published	# of Refereed Publications	# of Non- Ref. Publications	# Creative Activities	Professi onal Present.	Days in Pub. Service per FTEF
Comprehensive						
BSU	6	48	55	12	153	9.5
CSU	1	94	59	35	56	14.3
FSU	10	121	66	297	173	9.6
SU	35	363	157	253	747	13.8
TU	90	827	351	966	1003	12.4
UB	7	123	253	36	99	10.6
UMES	3	183	81	112	292	9.9
Research						
UMB	263	5,945	1,181	1,086	4,108	11.4
UMBC	68	613	216	217	1,377	5.6
UMCP	209	6,025	1,143	486	9,091	23.7
Total USM	692	14,342	3,562	3,500	17,099	12.1

Source: Faculty Non-instructional Activity Survey

Securing external funding for research and other activities is an important aspect of faculty work and is often seen as a proxy measure for research productivity. It is also used as a criterion for ranking institutions nationally, supports the creation and transfer of new technologies, contributes to the economic development of critical areas in Maryland, provides community services to underserved populations, feeds into the creation of new curriculum and course development and, most importantly, assures that students receive their instruction from faculty members who are recognized as being at the cutting edge of their disciplines. Although, USM faculty are primarily responsible for their campus' external funding levels, not all external funding is attributable to tenured/tenure-track faculty. Staff and other research faculty also attract external dollars.

^{*} Includes Tenured/Tenure Track, department chairs, & FT Non-tenure/non-tenure-track instructional and research faculty from all departments for the entire institution.

Table 12 records the level of external funding received by USM institutions, as reported by each institution's Office of Sponsored Programs. In AY 2015-2016, the USM was awarded over 1.2 billion dollars in external awards. This represents virtually no change from the AY 2014-2015 and growth of less than 1% over the last five years.

Table 12 - Faculty Research Awards, FY 2011-2015

	FY 2016	FY 2015	FY 2014	FY 2013	FY 2012
Comprehensiv	e				
BSU	\$7,988,546	\$8,786,813	\$7,532,576	\$18,362,456	\$17,514,819
CSU	\$5,850,572	\$6,815,776	\$7,669,565	\$7,407,877	\$9,982,044
FSU	\$3,279,980	\$6,975,842	\$3,578,720	\$3,029,217	\$3,110,178
SU	\$4,584,488	\$4,882,812	\$5,019,735	\$2,987,992	\$6,317,079
TU	\$16,789,859	\$17,729,843	\$14,447,113	\$24,633,441	\$24,084,837
UB	\$7,729,907	\$7,399,317	\$6,095,525	\$6,303,025	\$5,252,275
UMES	\$17,827,443	\$21,224,282	\$17,629,598	\$18,049,275	\$19,293,079
Research					
UMB	\$494,477,177	\$497,918,281	\$500,912,032	\$478,826,984	\$524,909,562
UMBC	\$76,215,884	\$71,134,098	\$74,026,763	\$74,485,997	\$69,157,727
UMCP	\$554,177,223	\$545,633,305	\$479,069,009	\$463,030,131	\$500,189,610
UMCES	\$24,815,908	\$24,508,834	\$23,783,962	18,758,142	22,888,109
Total USM	\$1,213,736,987	\$1,213,009,203	\$1,139,764,598	\$1,115,874,537	\$1,202,699,319

Source: Annual Extramural Awards Survey "Total Less other USM"

SUMMARY

This report provides summary data for USM for the academic year 2015-2016. The data indicate that many USM institutions were able to improve their performance over the 2014-2015 year, but most remain below the Regents' policy target. However, when allowed exceptions are considered most institutions meet target levels, reflecting the assignment of tenured/tenure-track (T/TT) faculty to a wide variety of tasks on campus. The average credit hour production figures for tenured/tenure-track faculty is largely stable, and institutions have successfully increased total credit hours through use of non-tenure track full-time faculty.

Additionally, the outcomes of faculty instructional activity continue to be strong. The number of undergraduate and graduate degrees awarded continued to rise. Students continue to move efficiently through most USM institutions with a rapid time to an undergraduate degree and improved 4-year graduation rates. Non-instructional productivity (i.e., scholarship and service) remains at a very high level. Finally, external research funding remains at 1.2 billion dollars in the last year.

Appendix Faculty Profile

Faculty Profile

This appendix provides an overview of the faculty complement at USM institutions included in this report. In 2015-2016, the USM had a complement of 9,069 faculty. Table A-1 provides a detailed breakdown of these faculty by role (instruction or research), tenure status, and full or part time employment status.

Table A-1 – USM Faculty Profile, AY 2015-2016

	Tenured/ Tenure Track	Full-time NTT Instructional	Full-time NTT Research	Part-time
BSU	148	72	0	234
CSU	119	11	0	127
FSU	215	33	0	133
SU	327	87	0	241
TU	598	300	0	780
UB	168	37	0	210
UMCP	1,410	437	1412	641
UMBC	399	138	137	292
UMES	162	70	8	123
USM (w/o UMB or UMUC)	3,546	1,185	1,557	2,781

Tenured and Tenure Track Faculty

The total number of tenured and tenure-track faculty increased slightly from 3,544 to 3,546 from 2014-2015 to 2015-2016. This represents an increase of 2 tenure-track faculty members, or around .1%. Over the past five years, FTE students have risen by 1.2% with FTE tenure-track faculty rising 2.4% (excluding UMUC and UMB). Table A-2 provides a detailed breakout of changes in the tenured/tenure track faculty complement over the last five years.

Table A-2 - Tenured/Tenure Track Faculty, AY 2011-12-AY 2015-16

	AY 2015-16	AY 2014-15	AY 2011-12	1 Year Change in Tenured/Tenure Track	5 Year Change in Tenured/Tenure Track
BSU	148	145	161	2.1%	-8.1%
CSU	119	125	130	-4.8%	-8.5%
FSU	215	214	212	0.5%	1.4%
SU	327	325	302	0.6%	8.3%
TU	598	588	588	1.7%	1.7%
UB	168	170	147	-1.2%	14.3%
UMCP	1,410	1,427	1410	-1.2%	0.0%
UMBC	399	391	372	2.0%	7.3%
UMES	162	159	142	1.9%	14.1%
USM (w/o UMB or UMUC)	3,546	3,544	3,464	0.1%	2.4%

Full-time Instructional Non-Tenure Track faculty

The total number of full-time instructional non-tenure track faculty increased dramatically in recent years. In the period from 2011-2012 through 2015-2016, the numbers increased by 269 or almost 30%. Table A-3 provides a detailed breakout of these changes over the last five years.

Table A-3 - Full-Time Instructional Non-Tenure Track Faculty, AY 2011-12-AY 2015-16

				1 Year Change in	5 Year Change in
	AY	AY	AY	Full-time	Full-time
	2015-16	2014-15	2011-12	Instructional Non-	Instructional Non-
				Tenure Track	Tenure Track
BSU	72	80	64	-10.0%	12.5%
CSU	11	15	22	-26.7%	-50.0%
FSU	33	40	35	-17.5%	-5.7%
SU	87	91	35	-4.4%	148.6%
TU	300	305	255	-1.6%	17.6%
UB	37	37	36	0.0%	2.8%
UMCP	437	328	289	33.2%	51.2%
UMBC	138	135	116	2.2%	19.0%
UMES	70	56	64	25.0%	9.4%
USM (w/o UMB or UMUC)	1,185	1,087	916	9.0%	29.4%

Part-time Faculty

Finally, part-time faculty continue to play an important role in instruction at USM institutions. The number of part-time faculty increased slightly (+0.4%) from 2014-2015 and has grown relatively slowly over the last five years. Table A-4 provides a breakdown of the change in this segment over the last five years.

Table A-4 – Part-time Non-Tenure Track Faculty, AY 2011-12-AY 2015-16

	AY 2015-16	AY 2014-15	AY 2011-12	1 Year Change in Part-time Faculty	5 Year Change in Part-time Faculty
BSU	234	207	184	13.0%	27.2%
CSU	127	134	141	-5.2%	-9.9%
FSU	133	132	122	0.8%	9.0%
SU	241	243	223	-0.8%	8.1%
TU	780	773	828	0.9%	-5.8%
UB	210	221	182	-5.0%	15.4%
UMCP	641	652	629	-1.7%	1.9%
UMBC	292	262	254	11.5%	15.0%
UMES	123	145	148	-15.2%	-16.9%
USM (w/o UMB or UMUC)	2,781	2,769	2,711	0.4%	2.6%