

Criteria for Membership

Demonstrated interest, activity, and experience in research.

Selection

1. Selection of Research Council members from the colleges or schools shall proceed as follows: The dean of the college, in consultation with department chairs, will recommend two persons for each position to the Assistant Provost for Research and Sponsored Programs, who recommends to the provost for approval of one. Formal appointment shall be made by the provost.
2. Selection of the three Cullen and two Math/Science members-at-large shall proceed as follows: A Faculty Senate committee shall suggest two names for each position which meet the membership criteria. These names shall be submitted to the Assistant Provost for Research and Sponsored Programs, who recommends one name for each position to the provost for approval. Formal appointment shall be made by the provost.

Rotation

Every effort shall be made to adjust terms to accomplish even rotation patterns. Some terms of service shall be adjusted in order to have no more than four members beginning in one year.

Functions and Responsibilities

As a combined group, the Research Council will:

1. Determine the policies governing the conduct of research at ACU.
2. Approve the guidelines for awarding grants for internal research programs.
3. Advise on any matter which may be brought to the Research Council.

As separate subgroups, the Cullen and Math/Science Research Councils will:

1. Review and evaluate research proposals submitted to each council for funding.
2. Approve allocations of research funds from University accounts.
3. Serve as Institutional Review Boards for approval of research projects involving human or animal subjects.