Scholarship defined for Professors of Practice

A range from 10-15% of the assigned duties for this position is expected to result in scholarly outcomes. A lower level may be used if justifiable given position duties. Scholarly and creative work is intellectual work whose significance is validated by peers and that is communicated. Emphasis in scholarship should be placed on outcomes that recognize activities as a professional practitioner in community settings as defined by the incumbent’s position description.

To achieve promotion, scholarship for this position must include peer reviewed materials that are durable and findable in the web environment. These are typically of the two types shown below but as our communication worlds change, other types of scholarship may fit these durability and findable criteria:

- Publications in peer-reviewed journals which might encompass description and evaluation of novel community-based professional practice or research application, program development and innovation, outcomes of innovative programs and/or services, definitive professional practice reviews, or case reports among others.

- Authorship of extension publications, local or regional “practice” publications, book chapters, other educational materials and electronic information delivery media if it is either peer reviewed before dissemination or if there is evidence of its adoption and use by peers.

To achieve promotion, there must be an on-going record that both of these types of scholarship are being done though each does not need to be present in every year of record. Documentation must also be provided that shows these scholarly outputs have had impact.

These durable, web-findable materials may be augmented by other forms of peer validation such as the following:

- Invited presentations, poster and podium presentations, and published abstracts and/or proceedings at state, regional and national levels, provided that evidence of peer validation is provided.
- Documented impact due to local or regional adoption of improved practices, methods, or programs.
- Secured competitive grants and contracts appropriate for the scope and focus of the faculty member’s position.
- Named inventor of a protected intellectual property in the faculty member’s field.
- Recognition as a professional practitioner in community settings as demonstrated by
  - honorary degrees
  - awards recognizing community, professional and/or scientific achievements
  - fellowships in national professional and/or scientific organizations
  - Requests to serve as a technical advisor to government agencies, industry, or professional groups