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Resolution to Formally Support the Eligibility of All Teaching Faculty for All Teaching Awards at the University of Mississippi

WHEREAS, Non-tenure track faculty at the University of Mississippi are currently not eligible to receive most University and College teaching awards; and

WHEREAS, Non-tenure track faculty at the University of Mississippi taught 44.13% of course sections and 55.46% of student credit hours in Spring, 2020; and

WHEREAS, students at the University of Mississippi have expressed disappointment in not being able to nominate their most effective instructor for most awards;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the University of Mississippi Faculty Senate calls for the commission of a working group to meet with the administrative units responsible for each teaching award and collaborate with the administrative home of each teaching award to revise any language around eligibility and selection criteria so as to explicitly include any faculty who taught during the award period. The Faculty Senate Chair will appoint the members of the working group in conjunction with the administration.