

# Roles of the Faculty

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There are many recognized roles that college faculty fulfill. However, one often encounters activities which draw from two or more of those roles. The intention of this figure is to lay out the roles in such a way that most of those activities can be thought of as on a boundary or intersection of the figure.

Each faculty member is not expected to be active in every role depicted. However, usually broader areas are defined, and each faculty member is expected to contribute in all of these areas (the traditional areas being Teaching, Service, and Contributions to one's Discipline). This figure can be helpful in clearly defining those areas.

Some attempt has been made to represent relative importance (at SUNY Geneseo) by the size. For instance, weights in the current H-form are roughly respected. However, this should not be taken too seriously. Relationships between areas were given precedence over relative sizes.

