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Continuing education and extension activities shall be conducted in accordance with the stipulations of the *Standards of the College Delegate Assembly* of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

The following specific policies apply to continuing education and extension activities conducted by LSU Eunice.

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10 The Director of Continuing Education is charged with the primary responsibility for planning, 11 implementing, monitoring, and evaluating all continuing education and extension activities.

Faculty and staff members are encouraged to suggest ideas for continuing education activities. Suggestions for such activities should be channeled to the Director of Continuing Education through and with the endorsement of the head of the academic or administrative unit which would sponsor the activities in question.

- 17 18 **B. Faculty**
 - 1. Full-time Faculty

22 The policies relative to the selection of full-time faculty are contained in PS No 12. Fulltime faculty may be assigned continuing education and/or extension activities as part of 23 their regular work load. When overloads exist, full-time faculty will receive additional 24 25 compensation in accordance with the provisions of PM-15. Full-time faculty desiring to teach an overload will receive priority consideration to teach off-campus, night or 26 weekend courses, provided such faculty indicate their interest to the Director of 27 Continuing Education and their Division Head in the schedule planning phase for the 28 semester in guestion. The Division Head must also approve such overload 29 assignments. 30

- 2. Part-time Faculty
 - a) Selection of Part-time Faculty

In judging the suitability of an applicant for a part-time faculty position, all aspects of the professional preparation of the applicant will be considered. Generally, the professional competency of part-time faculty in the field(s) in which they teach will be attested to by appropriate graduate degrees. In specialized professional, technical,

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or vocational fields, other evidence of professional competency may be acceptable in lieu of formal graduate training. The appropriate Division Head will review and approved credentials of any part-time instructor hired through continuing education to teach courses for credit.

b) Appointment

Part-time faculty shall be given one-semester term appointments in accordance with the stipulations of Part 2, Chapter 2, Section 2-8 of the <u>Bylaws and Regulations</u> of the LSU Board of Supervisors. All part-time faculty appointments are contingent upon acceptable student enrollments in the faculty member's assigned classes.

c) Pay Scale. Part-time faculty will be paid in accordance with the following scale:

Highest Degree	Salary per Credit Hour
Doctorate	\$650
Master's	\$600
Baccalaureate	\$567

d) Orientation

Part-time faculty will be furnished links to or copies of the following documents which are intended to assist them in fulfilling their specific instructional responsibilities: Handbook for Part-Time Faculty, LSU Eunice Catalog, and applicable course syllabi.

Prior to the commencement of classes, either the Director of Continuing Education or the appropriate academic division head will meet with each part-time instructor to discuss the course syllabus, required textbook(s), and any other specifics that pertain to teaching assignments.

At appropriate times during each semester, the Director of Continuing Education will convene workshops for part-time faculty. The major workshop topics will be:

- 1) Record Keeping
 - 2) Academic Regulations
- 3) Teaching Effectiveness
- 4) Library Resources

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73) Student Support Services/Accommodated Services
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77) The Director of Continuing Education, or designee, shall regularly visit after-
78		hours and weekend sites, on-campus and off, to observe and evaluate
79		instruction. The Director, or designee, will perform at least one unannounced in-
80		class observation of all new part-time faculty hired through Continuing Education
81		during each instructor's first semester of employment. Thereafter, part-time
82		faculty will receive unannounced in-class observations at least once per
83		academic year. The Director, or designee, will use the standard LSU Eunice
84		"Evaluation of Teaching Performance" criteria in performing evaluations, the
85		same criteria used in evaluating full-time faculty. The appropriate Division Head
86		may also collaborate with the Director of Continuing Education in observation
87		and evaluation of part-time instructors.
88) Students in classes taught by part-time faculty will have the same opportunity as
89		those students taught by full-time faculty to evaluate the course through the
90		Student Evaluation of Instruction which is available electronically.
91) The Director of Continuing Education and/or the appropriate Division Head or
92		academic coordinator will interview part-time faculty to complete formal
93		administrative evaluations according to the schedule required in e.1 above. The
94		evaluation interview will include discussion of performance, including student
95		course evaluations, instructional practices, and observation(s) of the instructor's
96		class(es). A written evaluation signed by the Director of Continuing Education or
97		other academic administrator and the evaluatee will be filed with the part-time
98		instructor's permanent personnel record.
99) Part-time instructors are hired for one-semester terms as supplementary
100		teaching personnel on the basis of enrollment and staffing needs. Re-
101		employment of part-time faculty from semester to semester is never promised or
102		guaranteed, since the terms of re-employment are determined from semester to
103		semester by the University. Furthermore, LSU Eunice reserves the right not to
104		rehire any part-time faculty members whose performance is judged as
105		unsatisfactory in any aspect of teaching or course administration.
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112 113	Lea	port services required for off-campus students. Additionally, the <u>Guidelines for Distance</u> <u>ming Library Services</u> , published by the Association of College and Research Libraries,			
114	specifically addresses library services which should be made available to support off-campus				
115	courses. The recommendations made in these various documents are to be implemented and				
116		ent support services provided in the following areas:			
117		I. Academic Advisement			
118		2. Professional Counseling			
119		3. Veterans' Affairs			
120	4	I. Financial Aid			
121	Ę	5. Library Services			
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123	Affe	cted administrative officers should periodically review the off-campus support services			
124	under their jurisdiction to ensure that the services provided exceed minimal standards and that				
125	the I	needs of off-campus students are being adequately addressed.			
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127	D. (Off-Campus Physical Facilities			
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129	Off-campus physical facilities should provide a suitable environment for the conduct of planned				
130	eduo	cational activities. All arrangements for physical facilities will be made by the Director of			
131	Con	tinuing Education. These arrangements must include written authorization for the use of the			
132	facil	ties from the owner(s), including a specification of any rental or lease expenses involved.			
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134	E. (Off-Campus Registration and Orientation. Planning for off-campus registration and			
135		prientation should include the following provisions:			
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137		. The Director of Continuing Education will be responsible for making arrangements for			
138		appropriate registration space at off-campus sites and for advance publicity concerning			
139		such registrations.			
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141	2	2. Administrative officers providing academic and/or student support services will be			
142	-	responsible for providing appropriate representation from their offices at off-campus			
143		registrations.			
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145		3. The Registrar will be responsible for having registration personnel in place at the off-			
146	```	campus location well in advance of the advertised time of registration.			
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148	4	4. During the first week of classes, the Office of Continuing Education will be responsible			
149	_	for publicizing the rooms in which classes will meet at off-campus locations as well as			
150		the location of late registration activities, if any.			
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