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 2. The review on teaching must incorporate student evaluations. Peer evaluations will be included for non-tenured faculty. 3. In each category the process must identify those faculty members whose level of performance is superior. 4. The annual review of faculty in a development plan as defined in Section 5 of "Outcomes in Annual Performance Review and Post-Tenure Review" shall be undertaken with reference to the goals and timetables in the development plan. 	Annually, each faculty member, including tenured faculty and those in departmental administrative positions, must receive a written review that provides specific evaluative information and an administrative assessment of the faculty member's performance in the categories of teaching, research/creative activities, and service. The review should be sufficiently detailed to aid the faculty member in professional growth and development. The review on teaching must incorporate student evaluations. Peer evaluations will be included for teaching faculty, regardless of
	track or rank, when available. Each academic unit must define its annual performance review procedures, including the unit's schedule. These procedures must define the roles of the administration and faculty peers in the annual performance review. Each

academic unit should state in its annual performance review procedures whether and how progress toward unit criteria for promotion and/or tenure will be addressed in the unit's annual performance reviews."