The Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology By - Laws
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of the
DEPARTMENT OF CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY Graduate School of
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II. MEMBERSHIP IN THE FACULTY COUNCIL

A. Members of the Faculty of the Department of Clinical Psychology shall include:

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2. The Dean of the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology.

3. Members of the University faculty who hold full-time appointments in the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology Clinical Psychology Department: faculty who hold at least a 40% appointment on a clinical faculty line of the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology.

4. Adjunct Faculty are appointed annually. Appointment shall be by the Dean of the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology upon the nomination of the Department Chairpersons, and the recommendation of the
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