

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND
SURVEY OF FACULTY NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PRODUCTIVITY

SELECTED DEFINITIONS

- All the outcome information requested in this survey refers to your productivity in your professional area.
- The number of grants should include all externally (to the institution) funded grants and contracts competitively awarded for research, creativity, scholarly and training activities. Grants for which you are not a principal investigator should not be included.
- Books published include textbooks and edited works. These do not include books you have paid to have published.
- Refereed works should include such items as journal articles, poems, short stories published, including chapters in books.
- Non-refereed works are those published by commercial and non-commercial organizations, including newspaper articles.
- Creative activities (“non-verbal research”) are those in which the faculty member completed or had a meaningful participation, including artistic (musical, theatrical and dance) performances; art exhibits; recitals; concerts; etc.
- Presentations are those given at conferences, seminars, etc. and sponsored by professional associations.
- Professional associations include national, regional and local associations.
- One day in public services is defined as 8 hours.
- Days spent in public service are those days spent with public school systems, government agencies, non-profit organizations, and businesses. Activities include sharing professional knowledge with the public as well as professional consulting. Examples of activities to be included are the following: a presentation to a horticultural society by an agriculture faculty member; the time spent by a physics faculty member judging science fair entries.