

**RESEARCH FACULTY****Statement of Understanding  
Regarding Responsibility for Bridging Support**

[submit this form with the dossier recommending a research faculty candidate for promotion]

This “Statement of Understanding” is being submitted in support of the appointment/promotion of:

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 Printed Name

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 Employee ID Number
**Responsibility for Bridging Support**

The University of Michigan Office of Research (UMOR) may provide [after appropriate review] up to 50% of the minimal bridging support according to the accompanying table (on back of this page); the remaining 50% is the responsibility of the appointing unit. Unit heads are expected to build reserves appropriate to cover their responsibility for bridging support. In addition, units are encouraged to provide additional bridging support (including salary support for longer time periods, and research support). UMOR cannot guarantee central participation in this additional support, but individual members of the research faculty are eligible to apply for funding through the UMOR Faculty Grants and Award Program on the usual competitive basis.

**Statement of Understanding**

As the dean/director of the unit recommending the individual for promotion, I understand my unit’s responsibility for bridging support and will take steps to meet the 50% minimum obligation within the specified five-year time frame. Additional support, up to 50%, may be applied for from UMOR.

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 Signature

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 Printed Name

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 Date

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 Unit