

### CS 3.5.4 - Terminal Degrees of Faculty

At least 25 percent of the discipline hours in each major at the baccalaureate level are taught by faculty members holding the terminal degree—usually the earned doctorate—in the discipline, or the equivalent of the terminal degree.

#### Compliance Finding: In Compliance

##### Narrative:

Over half of all courses (62%) taught at the University of South Carolina Beaufort (USC Beaufort) in both Spring and Fall 2007 were taught by faculty members holding the terminal degree. Terminal degrees are defined as a Ph.D. or an Ed.D. in the teaching field, D.V.M., M.F.A. or M.S.W. An analysis of distribution by major discipline courses reveals that in all majors at least 25% of the courses are taught by terminally-degreed faculty. Tables 1 and 2 below list the number and percentages of courses taught by faculty with or without terminal degrees in each program.

**Table 1 Courses Taught by Faculty Holding Terminal Degree in spring 2007**

	University of South Carolina Beaufort Courses Taught by Faculty Holding Terminal Degree - Spring 2007				
MAJOR					
	No (#)	No (%)	Yes (#)	Yes (%)	Total
<b>Biology</b>	6	30.00%	14	70.00%	20
<b>Business</b>	21	70.00%	9	30.00%	30
<b>Education</b>	4	20.00%	16	80.00%	20
<b>English</b>	17	50.00%	17	50.00%	34
<b>Hospitality Management</b>	9	69.23%	4	30.77%	13
<b>History</b>	7	36.84%	12	63.16%	19
<b>Human Services</b>	2	50.00%	2	50.00%	4
<b>Liberal Studies</b>	11	24.44%	34	75.56%	45
<b>Psychology</b>	0	0.00%	26	100.00%	26
<b>Spanish</b>	7	38.89%	11	61.11%	18

**Table 2 Courses Taught by Faculty Holding Terminal Degree in fall 2007**

	<b>University of South Carolina Beaufort Courses Taught by Faculty Holding Terminal Degree - Fall 2007</b>				
<b>MAJOR</b>					
	<b>No (#)</b>	<b>No (%)</b>	<b>Yes (#)</b>	<b>Yes (%)</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Biology</b>	3	15.79%	16	84.21%	19
<b>Business</b>	21	65.63%	11	34.38%	32
<b>Education</b>	4	17.39%	19	82.61%	23
<b>English</b>	21	53.85%	18	46.15%	39
<b>Hospitality Management</b>	4	30.77%	9	69.23%	13
<b>History</b>	5	26.32%	14	73.68%	19
<b>Human Services</b>	2	33.33%	4	66.67%	6
<b>Liberal Studies</b>	9	18.00%	41	82.00%	50
<b>Psychology</b>	0	0.00%	23	100.00%	23
<b>Spanish</b>	9	60.00%	6	40.00%	15
<b>Nursing (RN to BSN)</b>	2	50.00%	2	50.00%	4