A. General Applicability.

1. FGCU-PR5 regulations contain personnel regulations for University employees. These regulations have University-wide application by virtue of the authority granted to the University in Chapter 1001 Florida Statutes, and are supplemented by other University regulations, the Florida Board of Governors’ (BOG) regulations, applicable federal and state laws, collective bargaining agreements and internal management memoranda containing procedures and guidelines for implementing University policies.

2. For purposes of these regulations, University employees are those persons who have been hired by the University into regular or temporary appointments and receive financial compensation to perform services for the University, and whose work is directed and controlled by the University. The term "employee" does not include volunteers or independent contractors.

B. Definitions. For the purpose of administering and interpreting the regulations and procedures of Chapter PR5, the following definitions and abbreviations shall apply:

1. Faculty -- an employee whose appointment includes teaching, scholarship, and public service activities or who has administrative responsibility for functions directly related to the University's academic mission. Faculty titles or modifiers include: regular, acting, interim, adjunct, provisional, visiting, joint, research, clinical, courtesy, honorary/honoris causa, emeritus, affiliate, joint college, phased retirement and fixed and continuous multi-year.

   a. In-unit -- classifications which have been designated by the Public Employee Relations Commission as being part of a recognized bargaining unit that is represented by a bargaining agent.

   b. Out-of-unit – Academic Administrator classifications which have not been designated by the Public Employee Relations Commission as being included in a recognized bargaining unit and which are not represented by a bargaining agent or employees who serve as members of the University Board of Trustees.
2. Academic Administrator - an employee appointed in the General Faculty classification and pay plan, with responsibilities for University-wide academic programs at the college, unit, department or comparable levels. Such positions carry titles including Dean, Director and Chairperson. Faculty employees with administrative responsibilities serve at the pleasure of the university and, such responsibilities may be removed with or without cause.

3. Administrative & Professional (A&P) – appointments that provide management direction and control to university departments and/or work requiring knowledge of an advanced professional nature; and whose level of job duties meets the criteria for exemption under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

4. Executive Service – appointments designated by the President, who report directly to the President, and whose positions are defined as responsible for policy-making at the executive level.

5. Support Personnel (SP) - positions for paraprofessional, secretarial, clerical, technical, skilled crafts, service, maintenance and other responsibilities. Support Personnel appointment status modifiers include regular, probationary, trainee, temporary, emergency and time-limited. An employee earns regular status in the classification after successful completion of the designated probationary period.

6. Temporary positions -- employees who are hired on a temporary, at-will basis by the University and are not entitled to receive benefits. They provide exempt or non-exempt temporary employment.

7. FTE -- a designation which connotes a regular full-time position, or part thereof, as stated.

8. Volunteer/Courtesy Faculty -- a person who provides services to the University with no expectation of monetary or other material compensation or consideration, or as part of a court-ordered program on a continuous, occasional, or one-time basis.

C. The University shall provide employment agreements consistent with the following:

1. Faculty Appointments

   a) For in-unit employees, the terms, conditions and use of fixed and continuous multi-year appointments, tenure appointments and visiting appointments shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

   b) For out-of-unit faculty, the following appointments apply:

      1) Continuing Multi-Year Appointments (CMYA), consist of an initial three (3) year term extendible annually on the basis of overall satisfactory annual performance as determined through the evaluation criteria, standards, and procedures.
2) Fixed Multi-Year Appointments (FMYA) are for a defined period of two (2) to five (5) years. Such agreements may include the prospect of non-renewal at the end of the multi-year term, an offer of a successive fixed multi-year appointment, or the opportunity to request conversion to a Continuing Multi-Year Agreement (CMYA).

3) Visiting Appointments are fixed appointments of specific duration to a person who has appropriate professional qualifications but is not expected to be available for more than a limited period, or for a person in a position which the university does not expect to be available for more than a limited period. There is no commitment for renewal and the appointment may not exceed a total of four (4) consecutive years.

2. A&P Appointments
   
a) An A&P appointment for one year may be offered to A&P employees. Such appointments automatically renew on a year-to-year basis for subsequent terms to run concurrently with the University’s fiscal year.

b) An A&P Appointment for a period of two (2) to five (5) years. Such agreements may include the prospect of non-renewal at the end of the multi-year term, or an offer of a successive fixed multi-year appointment or as described in C.2.a) above.

3. Other Personal Services (OPS) Appointments

   OPS appointments are temporary in nature, provide only those entitlements required by state and/or federal laws and are exempt or non-exempt employment.

D. Former employees seeking re-employment will apply to and be processed by the Human Resources Department in the same manner as new applicants. Former employees who were terminated due to unsatisfactory performance, job abandonment, or misconduct are ineligible for rehire. Former employees who resigned in lieu of termination are also not eligible for rehire.

E. The University may dismiss or discipline an employee for cause during the term of any appointment in accordance with university regulations, policies, procedures, and applicable collective bargaining agreements.