



EAS Policy: EAS-FAC-008

Subject: Research Lab Space Use

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Introduction:

Space is at a premium on campus and is costly to construct and maintain (per s.f. cost, utility bill, etc). For EAS to reach its goals for research (*see current EAS research goals at the EAS website*) allocation of research space to a faculty is therefore linked to EAS Workload Policy. This Research Lab Space Use Policy sets forth the priorities for allocating research space.

Policy:

Externally sponsored research is the most important criterion. In particular, ICR-generating grants are to be given highest priority.

If space is available after allocating sponsored research space then other requests for research space will be honored considering the following criteria:

- Number and quality of external research grant seeks as a result of work in the lab
- Student research training: the student has started thesis/project/dissertation hour registration process; credit in research papers generated with the faculty member as a result of work in the lab

The chair will review research space allocated to his/her department as part of the yearly faculty evaluation and recommend changes to the allocations to the dean. The dean will make the final decision on the lab space renewal to a faculty member.

The lab research lab space allocated to a chair will be reviewed by the dean during his/her yearly evaluation for renewal. In special situations arising outside of the evaluation time period (for example, the award of a large research grant requiring additional research space) the chair may work with the dean to make changes to the research space allocation.

There are labs that are used for purposes of instruction, research, lease, and other uses (internal or external to UCCS). The chair is responsible for documenting the use of these labs in terms weekly usage hours and the associated costs to maintain for these purposes.