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# **Project Update for the Advisory Council**

**Title and Total Compensation Study**

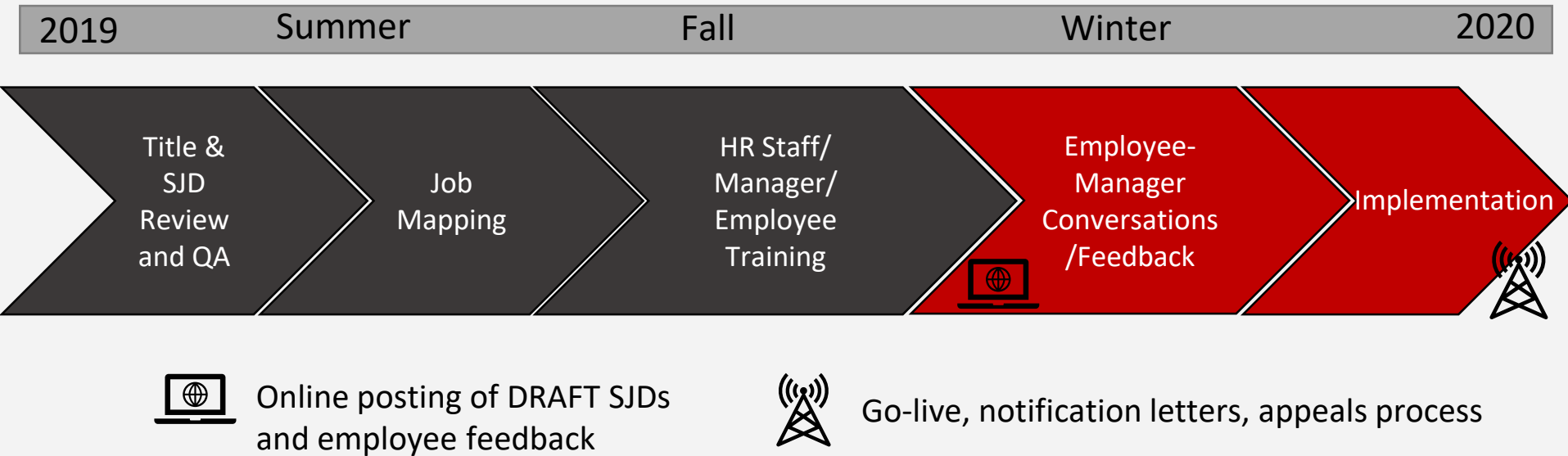
**November 1, 2019**

# Today's Agenda

1. High-Level Project Overview
2. Employee-Manager Conversation
3. Progression versus Promotion
4. Business Titles
5. Instructional Academic Staff

# High-Level Project Overview

# Timeline



# What is Changing

**Job titles** - For Academic Staff, University Staff, and Limited Appointees, the project updates job titles and standard job descriptions. Working titles, or business titles, will also be updated.

**How work is described** – Position descriptions will be updated to focus on responsibilities. They will be clear and concise. Descriptions will be based on a standard job description that will match to the job market.

**Salary structure** – Updated pay ranges will go into effect in 2020. However, base pay will not change. Pay practices will be regularly reviewed to ensure equity and market alignment.

**Salary Administration Guidelines** – Guidelines for administering salary will be established.

**Long-term strategy** – Will identify modern and competitive compensation and benefits strategies for future enhancements.

# Employee-Manager Conversation

UW-Madison and UW System will differ in meeting specifics

# How to Prepare

**Purpose of conversations:** Review title and new job description that go into effect Spring 2020

**Conversation Dates:** May start as early as December 2019, as directed by your institution  
Human Resources units

## How Employees Can Prepare

### Familiarize Yourself with TTC

- ✓ Visit the project website - review the Resources page
- ✓ Watch a Town Hall Video

### October – November

- ✓ Review your current position description
- ✓ View the new Job Library in November on the project website

### December – March

- ✓ Manager and employee conversations and engagement
- ✓ Review and confirm your new standard job description

## How Managers Can Prepare

### Familiarize Yourself with TTC

- ✓ Visit the project website - review and share content from the Resources page
- ✓ Watch a Town Hall Video
- ✓ Take online manager training – 30 minutes

### October – November

- ✓ Talk with employees about the project
- ✓ Review your employee's current job description

### December – March

- ✓ Confirm employee mapping for accuracy
- ✓ Engage employees through manager and employee conversations



# Setting Expectations

## **What will be covered in this meeting**

- Review and confirmation of job title and job description
- Conversation on whether the job title and job description accurately reflect the work you do
- Manager and Human Resources answers questions about job titles and job descriptions

## **What will not be covered in this meeting**

- Pay or Salary - the compensation structure is still being finalized and more information will be available in 2020 to address employee questions on updated pay ranges

# Resources



Project Website



SJD Library



Employee-Manager Conversation



Meeting Handout



Meeting Email Template



Meeting Explainer Video

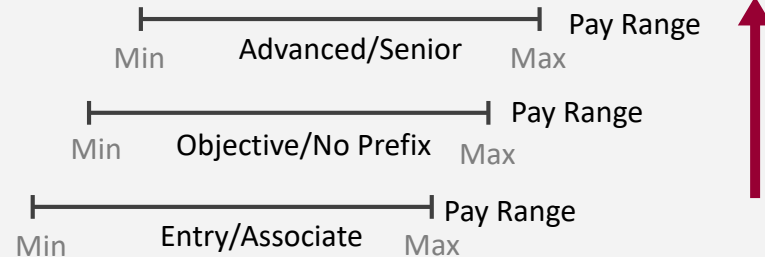
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## Today

- Progression and promotion are interchangeable terms
- You typically perform the **same work**, but your **title changes** and your **pay increases**
- Minimum requirement is often years of service

*What progression/promotion might look like today*



## After Spring 2020

*In the future, progression and promotion are defined separately*

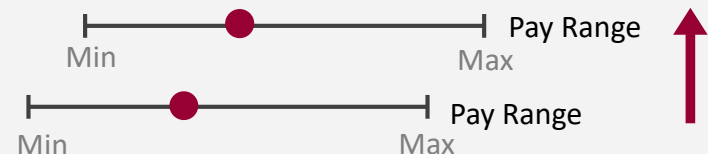
### PROGRESSION

- Based on **knowledge, skills, experience, and performance**
- Your **job title** and **core responsibilities** remain the **same**
- **Pay increases** within the same job
- Reasons for pay increases continue to include factors such as pay plan, market changes, retention and parity



### PROMOTION

- Advancement to a **new job** with a higher pay range
- Your **job title** and **responsibilities change**
- Based on work performed in standard job description
- Starting pay takes market data and parity into consideration



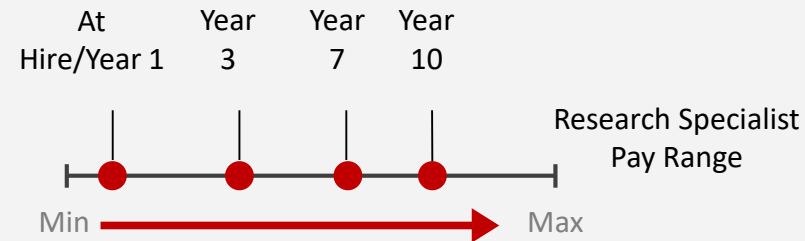
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## PROGRESSION EXAMPLE



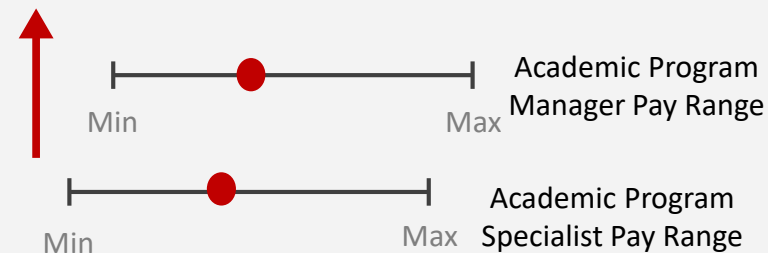
- Randall is a Research Specialist
- After two years on the job in year three, Randall receives a pay increase for high performance
- In the seventh year, Randall receives another performance increase
- In year 10, Randall receives an increase to account for market changes in research specialist jobs
- Randall has the same job title, responsibilities, and is in the same position
- As Randall's knowledge, skills and experience increase, Randall's high performance is recognized through progression in his pay range



## PROMOTION EXAMPLE



- Helen is an Academic Program Specialist and has been in the current position for several years, gaining knowledge and experience
- An Academic Program Manager **position opens** in the unit
- Helen applies and **is selected** for the position
- As a result of the **promotion**, Helen takes the lead to manage two academic programs, and her new responsibilities include managing program budget, implementing new standard operating procedures, and representing the programs on and off campus
- Helen's new title is Academic Program Manager and moves into a higher pay range



# Business Titles

# Business Title Guidelines

There must be a demonstrated need for a business title based on the following guidelines

A business title should:

- **Clarify** a position's role in the organization
- **Describe** the work performed in a role
- **Align** with industry best practice

A business title must:

- Be **approved** by institution Human Resources in consultation with the Chancellor, department/division lead, and employee supervisor

# Business Titles Cannot...

- **Duplicate** a title of record or official title
- **Misrepresent** the university or the authority of a position in any way
- **Use** words that are recognized as typically being associated with **executive titles** – president, chancellor, director – or any modified executive titles – vice president, etc. – without institution Human Resources, Chancellor, departmental, and/or division approvals



# Instructional Academic Staff

Instructional Academic Staff provide instruction and training to students online or in a classroom, laboratory, and/or clinical setting

## **Official Titles/Titles of Record**

Tutor

Teaching Specialist

Faculty Associate I

Faculty Associate II

Faculty Associate III

Lecturer

Teaching Professor\*

Research Professor\*

## **Business Titles**

Clinical Titles

Military Science Titles

Visiting Titles

Adjunct Titles

Adjoint Titles (previously L/I)

Emeritus/Emerita

\*subject to institution-level discussion/decision

The assignment of prefix business titles to reflect status at the institution-level is delegated to the institution's chancellor, if the modified titles comply with systemwide guidelines

# What we need Joint Governance Advisory Council to continue to do?

- Continue to meet and share with Human Resources, Governance colleagues and answer employee questions
- Champion and support the project
- Access the project websites and stay current
- Bring ideas, solutions and constructive feedback to the project Planning Team

# For More Information



[wisconsin.edu/ohrwd/title-and-total-compensation-study/](https://wisconsin.edu/ohrwd/title-and-total-compensation-study/)  
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