Minimum Requirements for Research Faculty Ranks

+Additional details related to requirements for ranks can be found in the [Georgia Tech Faculty Handbook](#).

Rank	Minimum Requirements	
	Degree	*Experience*
RI	Bachelor's	N/A
RII	Master's	Three (3) years of relevant full-time experience after completion of Master's OR Five (5) years of relevant full-time experience after completion of Bachelor's
	Doctorate	N/A
	Professional recognition in field	
Senior	Master's	Seven (7) years of relevant full-time experience after completion of Master's OR Nine (9) years of relevant full-time experience after completion of Bachelor's
	Doctorate	Four (4) years of relevant full-time experience after completion of Bachelor's
	Peer recognition of mastery of a complex and difficult field of specialization as demonstrated through authorship of peer-reviewed articles and/or products delivered to the sponsor community	
	Important technical contributions and innovation as documented in formal reports of multiple projects over a minimum of four (4) years prior to review	
	Supervision of others' work	
	Substantial documented contributions in sponsored program development	
	Superior ability in representing Georgia Tech to outside organizations	
Principal	Master's	Eleven (11) years of relevant full-time experience
	Doctorate	Seven (7) years of relevant full-time experience after completion of Bachelor's
	Clear evidence of consistent performance in the making of original and innovative contributions that are nationally recognized	
	Leadership in developing and managing a technical thrust	
	Substantial service contributions	
	Broad recognition of technical stature	