

Special Report

George Carter's Leisurely Stroll down Tenure Lane An Investigative Series on CoB Faculty Research Credentials

This report revisits the earlier installment in the *Special Report* series that uncovered the 12-year tenure-track plan that was provided to current EFIB Chair George Carter between 1979 and 1996 (see below).

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That previous report provided a timeline explaining that Carter was hired by USM as an untenured associate professor of economics in 1979. He was later promoted to full professor and tenured, in 1996 (see below). In between these two dates was a short stint at the Mississippi IHL, leaving a 12-year tenure clock for Carter.

1979-1984	Associate Professor of Economics, University of Southern Mississippi
1989-1996	Associate Professor of Economics, University of Southern Mississippi Chair of the Department of Economics and International Business, University of Southern Mississippi
1996-present	Professor (tenured) of Economics, University of Southern Mississippi

The relevant “tenure clock” table from that report (above) is provided below:

<u>Academic Year</u>	<u>Period</u>	<u>Yrs as Unten</u>	<u>Cumulative Yrs as Unten</u>
1979-1980	I	1	1
1980-1981	I	2	2
1981-1982	I	3	3
1982-1983	I	4	4
1983-1984	I	5	5

1989-1990	II	1	6
1990-1991	II	2	7
1991-1992	II	3	8
1992-1993	II	4	9
1993-1994	II	5	10
1994-1995	II	6	11
1995-1996	II	7	12

This report tracks Carter’s publication record over those 12 years by gathering information available at EBSCOhost, and combining that information with the CoB journals ranking list from *Enhancing Faculty Productivity*. That compilation is provided below:

Carter’s 12-Year Path to Tenure: The EBSCOhost Research Record

Year	A-level	B-level	C-level	“Other”	Cumulative			
					A	B	C	Other
1979	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1980	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1981	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1983	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
1984	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1985	IHL							
1986	IHL							
1987	Commissioner of IHL (Interim)							
1988	IHL							
1989	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1990	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1991	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1992	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1993	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0
1994	0	0	2	1	0	0	4	1
1995	0	0	1	0	0	0	5	1

The data above suggest that all 12 years of Carter’s tenure clock were needed. According to EBSCOhost (1979-1996), Carter produced five C-level publications and one “Other” publication. Of the five C-level publications, one was published during Period I (i.e., 1979-1984), and four were published during Period II (i.e., 1989-1995), using the Periods identified in the previous report. Thus, even after 12 years Carter’s tenure appears to have been a close call.