

# Conducting Research at Teaching-Focused Institutions: Perspectives from Different Career Stages

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# New Faculty Perspective

- **Get a head-start on research before you start your position**
- **Student involvement vs. end products**
- **Do what makes you happy**
- **Be a research salesperson for students**



# Recently-Tenured Faculty Perspective

- **Learn the rules of getting tenure at your new school**
- **Utilize existing teaching structures to do research**
- **Research = teaching writing**
- **Dealing with graduating seniors**
- **The optimal number of research students**
- **Collaborate with colleagues outside of your school**



# Department Chair Perspective

- Know what constitutes “research” at your school
- Always treat research as a form of teaching
- Keep your department chair informed about your research progress
  
- Grants ≠ Research Success
- CV organization



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## Definition of *synergy*

1 : SYNERGISM

*broadly* : combined action or operation

2 : a mutually advantageous conjunction or compatibility of distinct business participants or elements (such as resources or efforts)



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# A Closing Perspective?



- ◇ (Research → Intellectually Broadening)
- ◇ (Research → Educational for Students)
- ◇ (Research → Periodically Sustainable)





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