

DRAFT: Working criteria for classifying Brandeis units

CMS implementation

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Note: None of the criteria below are necessary or sufficient to define each type.

Department

- Academic in nature
- Often more "traditional"
- Faculty gain tenure in department
- Offers courses
- Offered as a major and/or graduate degree

Examples: English, History, Classics, Politics

Program

- Academic in nature
- Often interdisciplinary and/or non-traditional
- Faculty tenured in other departments (not in the program)
- Offers courses
- May offer degree and/or major/minor

Examples: Hebrew and Arabic Language Program, Environmental Studies, Genetic Counseling

Center or Institute - Academic

- Does not offer a degree or major
- Focused on a specific field or topic
- Often interdisciplinary in nature
- Engaged in issues of public concern, often in the policy arena
- Has a voice outside of Brandeis (e.g., nationally or internationally)
- Faculty tenured in other departments
- May not offer courses, majors, minors, or degrees

Examples: Center for German and European Studies, Volen Center for Complex Systems, Policy Center on Aging, Nathan and Toby Starr Center for Mental Retardation, Hadassah-Brandeis Institute

Center or Institute - non-academic

Administrative Department

- Involved in the administration of Brandeis as an institution

- Non-academic
- Employees tend to be designated as staff, not faculty
- In reporting line to Chief Operating Officer (not Provost)

Examples: Human Resources, Public Safety

University information

- Information about the university for end users
- May have a marketing aspect

Examples: Research & Centers

Appendix

Other types of entities (see "Other" column in spreadsheet):

- Labs

- Student related organizations

- Schools (Heller, Rabb, GSAS, UAS, IBS)

- Events

Ambiguous:

- Rose Art

- Master plan