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AAUP Conference AND BIENNIAL MEETING







THURSDAY, JUNE 13

7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Registration and Information	Presidential Hallway	
9:00-10:15 AM	State Conference Discussion*	Monroe Room	
	State conference leaders are invited to participate in a discussion about issues you are facing in your states and initiatives your conference is undertaking.		
	Facilitator: Mark Bostic (AAUP Department of Organizing and Se	ervices)	
9:00-10:15 AM	Regaining Our Common Ground:	Madison Room	
	Faculty Attitudes regarding Academic Freedom and Civil Discourse With support from the Arthur Vining Davis Foundation, the American Association of Colleges		
	and Universities (AAC&U) and the AAUP partnered with the research organization NORC at the		
	University of Chicago to refine a national study of faculty focused on academic freedom, freedom of		
	expression, self-censorship, and diverse political viewpoints a		
	University professor Paul Lazarsfeld's 1958 study of the attitud		
	McCarthy era. In this presentation, we will review the results of the survey. Presenters: Hans-Joerg Tiede (AAUP Department of Research and Public Policy) and Ashley Finley		
	(AAC&U Office of the President)		
9:00-10:15 AM	The New Redbook	Liberty Room	
	The AAUP's Policy Documents and Reports, better known as the		
	academic freedom, shared governance, and other vital academ	-	
	the twelfth edition, due out late this year, and talk about what is changing in the new edition. Presenters: Risa Lieberwitz (Cornell University), Henry Reichman (California State University, East Bay),		
	and Greg Scholtz (AAUP Department of Academic Freedom, Ter		
10:15-10:30 AM	Networking Break Presidential Hallway		
10:30-11:45 AM	Academic Program Closures	Jackson Room	
	In the past years, we've seen a notable wave of program closur		
	Join us to discuss AAUP policies on program closures and str		
	Presenters: Michael DeCesare (AAUP Department of Academic F Emily Ford (Portland State University)	-reedom, Tenure, and Governance) and	
10:30-11:45 AM	Media Matters*	Victory Room	
	Join the AAUP's media and communications strategist for an		
	the media. Participants are invited to share media successes and		
	experienced and learn about how to connect with the nationa Facilitator: Kelly Benjamin (AAUP Department of External Relati		
11:45 AM-1:15 PM	Lunch on Your Own		
12:30-5:00 PM	AAUP Council Session I*	Potomac View Room	
1:15-2:30 PM	Collective Bargaining Chapter Discussion*	Valor Room	
	Leaders and members of AAUP collective bargaining chapter		
	discussion of issues you are facing on your campus and in your state.		
	Facilitator: Mark Bostic (AAUP Department of Organizing and Se	ervices)	
1:15-2:30 PM	Advocacy Chapter Discussion*	Victory Room	
	Leaders and members of AAUP advocacy chapters are invited	l to participate in a faciltated discussion	
	of issues you are facing on your campus and in your state.		
	Facilitator: Malori Musselman (AAUP Department of Organizing	and Services)	
*AAUP members only			

1:15-2:30 PM	Manufactured Backlash: Understanding the Legislative Attacks on Academic Freedor	Liberty Room	
	The AAUP's new Center for the Defense of Academic Freedom The AAUP's new Center for the Defense of Academic Freedom, made possible by a generous grant from the Mellon Foundation, examines the various ongoing threats to academic freedom and institutional autonomy. Sharing findings from a white paper, this presentation focuses on how the more than 150 bills introduced during the 2021–23 legislative sessions—including academic gag orders, bills banning DEI initiatives, legislative efforts to weaken tenure and accreditation, and the creation of new donor-supported academic centers and programs—constitute a well-funded and well-organized effort by conservative politicians, activist governing boards, and right-wing think tanks to remake American higher education. Presenter: Isaac Kamola (AAUP Center for the Defense of Academic Freedom)		
2:30-2:45 PM	Networking Break	Presidential Hallway	
2:45-4:00 PM	The AFT Political Program*Monroe RoomThis session will provide an overview of what's at stake in this year's state, congressional, and presidential elections, as well as ways to connect to leaders and members who want to support these campaigns.Presenter: Brandon Boswell and Joe Dennison (AFT Political Department)		
2:45-4:00 PM	AFT Member Benefits* Madison Room Join AFT staff for a presentation on benefits that are available to all AAUP/AFT members, including loan counseling, an insurance program, and retail discounts. After the presentation, AFT staff will be available at the expo to answer questions. Presenter: Tish Olshefski (AFT Office of the Secretary-Treasurer)		
2:45-4:00 PM	Political Interference in Florida's Higher Education SystemLiberty RoomAlmost a year in the making, the AAUP's report Political Interference and Academic Freedom in Florida's Public Higher Education System undertook an in-depth review of a politically and ideologically driven assault unparalleled in US history. In this session, the cochairs of the investigating committee will discuss the report, its implications, and subsequent developments. Presenters: Afshan Jafar (Connecticut College) and Henry Reichman (California State University, East Bay)		
3:30-5:30 PM	AAUP Expo Meet AAUP and AFT staff and get information on our publication research, legal work, media relations, academic freedom, and org available at a series of tables, and you can come and go at any times	ganizing. Information will be	
4:15-5:30 PM	Delegate Orientation and Q&A* Wilson/Harrison Room In this session designed for delegates and alternates, we will explain the delegate credentialing process and the biennial meeting rules for voting and elections. Facilitators: Mark Criley (AAUP Department of Academic Freedom, Tenure, and Governance) and Aaron Nisenson (AAUP Legal Department)		
6:00-7:00 PM	First-Time Attendee Meet-and-Mingle Mixer Are you attending an AAUP conference and biennial meeting for to know more about the AAUP and its mission? If so, we invite y mixer. This event is designed to acquaint first-time attendees wit affiliation with the AFT. You will be provided with a brief overvio opportunity to meet other first-time attendees. Additionally, gro experiences and provide information on how to get more involve that preregistration is mandatory to attend the mixer. Light refre	rou to join us for a meet-and-mingle h the organization and its recent ew of the AAUP and have the up leaders will share their ed with AAUP groups. Please note	

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FRIDAY, JUNE 14

7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Registration and Information	Presidential Hallway
7:00 AM-5:00 PM	AAUP Biennial Association Meeting Delegates Credential Check-In	Hotel Lobby
7:00-9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast	Lincoln Hall
9:00-10:15 AM	Opening Plenary:Salon A/BDecolonizing Higher Education: Lessons from April 17 and BeyondLeaders of the April 17 National Day of Action for Higher Education organizing collective will discuss how tactics of dissent and disruption by rank-and-file higher ed workers, union activists, and students can help us decolonize higher education. We'll discuss grassroots organizing and strategies for organizing from below.Speakers: Bill V. Mullen (Purdue University) and Bethany Letiecq (George Mason University)	
10:15-10:30 AM	Networking Break Crystal Ballroom Foyer	
10:30-11:45 AM	Benchmarking and Faculty Compensation	Wilson Room
	This discussion will cover data sources, peer comparisons, analysis techniques, limitations of data possible solutions, and how AAUP staff can help. Presenter: Glenn Colby (AAUP Department of Research and Public Policy)	
10:30-11:45 AM	AFT State Federation and AFL-CIO Transition Discussion*	Harrison Room
	In this session for leaders of collective bargaining chapters, we'll provide information on how to continue to integrate with the AFT and AFL-CIO at the state and local levels. This session will inclustive tips on logistics as well as possible resources to assist with the transition. Presenter: Mark Bostic (AAUP Department of Organizing and Services)	
10:30-11:45 AM	The Racial Equity Initiative at the AAUPJackson RoomIn 2020, the AAUP launched a racial equity initiative. The goal of this endeavor was to make the AAUP a more racially just organization. After four years of engagement with the initiative, the chair of the AAUP's Racial Equity Committee will highlight a timeline of events to explain the major steps the AAUP has taken and reveal current initiatives. In addition, she will discuss the ongoing work to make the initiative a permanent aspect of the AAUP. Presenter: Glinda Rawls (Western Michigan University)	
10:30-11:45 AM	Field Staff Association Meeting ⁺	Monroe Room
12:00-1:30 PM	Keynote Luncheon and Presentation (Ticket required.) At the keynote luncheon, we'll hear from Patricia Okker, former president of New College of Florida. In January 2023, she was fired in a politically motivated hostile takeover of the college. Okker's current professional focus is twofold: building a coalition in support of academic freedom and providing innovative one-on-one coaching to the courageous leaders that higher education needs. She was recently honored with the Modern Language Association's Francis Andrew March Award for her service to the profession. Speaker: Patricia Okker	Washington Ballroom
2:00-5:00 PM	AAUP Biennial Meeting Session I	Salon A/B
3:15-3:30 PM	Networking Break	Crystal Ballroom Foyer
6:00-8:00 PM	Candidate and Member Cash Bar and Networking Reception*	Monument View Room
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SATURDAY, JUNE 15

8:00 AM-2:00 PM	Registration and Information	Presidential Hallway	
8:00-9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast AAUP Biennial Meeting Session II	Lincoln Hall	
9:00 AM-12:00 PM		Salon A/B	
10:15-10:30 AM	Networking Break	Crystal Ballroom Foyer	
12:15-1:30 PM	director of CRT Forward in the UCLA School of Law's Crit Program, where she uses data analysis, legal scholarship, ar combat the spread of misinformation and restrictive measu race theory. Speaker: Taifha Natalee Alexander (University of California, Lo Outstanding Achievement Award: Kent Ervin (University of Nevada, Reno) Georgina M. Smith Award: Deni Galileo (University of Delaware) Marilyn Sternberg Award:	And Recognition Luncheon quired.) neon speaker is Taifha Natalee Alexander, the inaugural project of CRT Forward in the UCLA School of Law's Critical Race Studies where she uses data analysis, legal scholarship, and policymaking to the spread of misinformation and restrictive measures against critical ry. Taifha Natalee Alexander (University of California, Los Angeles) Hing Achievement Award: n (University of Nevada, Reno) A. Smith Award: eo (University of Delaware)	
2:00-5:00 PM	AAUP Biennial Meeting Session III	Salon A/B	
3:15-3:30 PM	Networking Break	Crystal Ballroom Foyer	

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

AAUP Council Session II*

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Potomac View Room



THE 2024 SUMMER INSTITUTE will be held August 1–4 at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. The Summer Institute is the premier training program for faculty advocates and one of the best resources available for learning the practical skills that faculty unionists need to build and run successful organizations. Featuring faculty and staff presenters experienced in organizing, bargaining, and leadership, this year's Summer Institute will give you all the skills and tools you need to build a powerful voice to fight austerity measures and support a more equitable campus community.

The 2024 Summer Institute will feature workshops on a wide range of topics, including

- Building campaigns around campus issues
- Strengthening shared governance and academic freedom protections on campus
- Bargaining effective contracts

New topics this year include

- Bargaining over AI
- Responding to state legislative attacks on higher education
- Organizing to save endangered programs

Please plan to join us for thinking big, learning skills, and connecting nationwide. For more information and updates visit https://www.aaup.org/programs/summer-institute.





The mission of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) is to advance academic freedom and shared governance; to define fundamental professional values and standards for higher education; to promote the economic security of faculty, academic professionals, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and all those engaged in teaching and research in higher education; to help the higher education community organize to make our goals a reality; and to ensure higher education's contribution to the common good. Founded in 1915, the AAUP has helped to shape American higher education by developing the standards and procedures that maintain quality in education and academic freedom in this country's colleges and universities.

