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*Faculty Meet & Discuss Team: Joyce Overly, Barry Sweet, Adam Roberts, Mark Kilwein, Jennifer May, Mary Buchanan, Chris McCarrick (rec. sec.)

*Coaches Meet & Discuss Team: Matt Hanhold, Keith Ferraro, Eric Laughlin, Joyce Overly & Mark Kilwein

The President’s Message...

Dear APSCUF Colleagues,

Happy New Year! I hope the beginning of the Spring 2022 semester finds you healthy and rested.

I feel like a broken record when I give updates on the issues that APSCUF is currently working on. COVID and consolidation. Consolidation and COVID. Remember when we had time and energy to imagine and discuss creative ways to help our students learn and grow? To immerse ourselves in scholarly work? To have a long chat with a student or colleague? I hope that when the pandemic eases and the work of consolidation is finished, we can again find the joy that drew us to this profession.



With respect to COVID-19, I encourage everyone to refer to the two emails with revised guidelines that came out on ALL-L this week. If you have questions that aren’t answered in those documents, please share them with your DRC rep or me. I already have a few questions to bring up at the next Meet & Discuss.

Developments with consolidation slowed over the winter break but are still moving along. All Penn West departments have now elected a department chair and are at various stages of establishing departmental committees and making decisions about how the department will function. The Penn West Interim Curriculum Committee (ICC) has begun meeting. As required by the side letter to Article 31, the ICC will first “develop interim processes and procedures for recommending curricular action.” These processes and procedures must then be approved at Local and State Meet and Discuss before any curricular decisions can take place. Clarion’s representatives on the ICC are Barry Sweet (Social Sciences), Marc Sanko (Social Sciences), David Lott (Biology & Geosciences), YooJin Ha (Library Science), Lacey Fulton (Communication) and Dan Shifflet (Chemistry, Mathematics, and Physics) and I have confidence that they will represent Clarion well.

The three Penn West Chapter Presidents, Sam Claster (Edinboro), Craig Smith (California) and I, met with President Pehrsson in late November and we have monthly meetings scheduled for this semester. At these meetings we share concerns and ask questions that we’ve been unable to get resolved through other routes.

As always, if you have questions or concerns that you think APSCUF can help with, please reach out to your rep on DRC, to our office manager, Jan Walters, or to me directly. Good luck next week!

In solidarity,



SPRING 2022 MEETINGS
(Please mark your calendars!)



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EC) @ 3:30 pm

Tuesday, January 18
Tuesday, February 1
Tuesday, February 15
Tuesday, March 1
Tuesday, March 22
Tuesday, April 5
Tuesday, April 19

DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL @ 3:30 pm

Tuesday, January 25
Tuesday, February 8
Tuesday, March 8
Tuesday, April 12

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLIES

February 18, 2022 (Zoom @ 10:00 am)
April 7-8, 2022 (Sheraton, Harrisburg)

MEET & DISCUSS @ 2:30 pm

Friday, January 28 – Pre-Meet & Discuss
Friday, February 11 - Meet & Discuss (3:30pm)
Friday, February 25 – Pre-Meet & Discuss
Friday, March 4 – Meet & Discuss
Friday, March 25 – Pre-Meet & Discuss
Friday, April 1 - Meet & Discuss
Friday, April 15 – Pre-Meet & Discuss
Friday, April 22 – Meet & Discuss
Friday, May 13 - Pre-Meet & Discuss
Friday, May 20 – Meet & Discuss

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS, ELECTIONS & GATHERINGS

*General Membership Mtg/Meet the Candidate Forum -
Tuesday, March 29, 2022 @ 3:30 pm
*General Spring Elections – Tuesday, April 19
*Clarion APSCUF's End-of-the-Semester Gathering –
Thursday, May 5 @ 4 pm at CRBC (tentative)

GENERAL APSCUF & BARGAINING UNIT MEETING is scheduled for Tuesday, March 30, 2021, @ 3:30 pm. Location/Zoom Link will be announced. This will also include "Meet the Candidates" Forum for the 2022 Spring General Elections. Please "pencil in" this meeting on your meeting calendar.

NOTE: General Spring Elections will be held on Tuesday & Wednesday, April 19 & 20 thru Survey Monkey. More information is forthcoming of open APSCUF & Committee positions. Stay tuned!



HAVE YOU MOVED OVER WINTER BREAK? If so, please be sure to inform Jan in the APSCUF office of your new address. Reporting your new address to Human Resources DOES NOT guarantee that we have received this information.



Faculty: You will also need to change this with the *PA Faculty Health & Welfare Fund*, your dental and vision provider. For a new enrollment/change form, please contact Jan the APSCUF office today at jwalters@clarion.edu.

WELCOME NEW & RETURNING APSCUF MEMBERS!!



Michael Boston – Communication Sciences & Disorders
Randy Cathcart – Nutrition, Health & Sport Sciences
Jeffrey Hancks – Library Science
Ian Hollobaugh - Nursing
Beth McGuire – Library Science
Michael Neiswonger - Nursing
Meredith Pitts - Education
Edna Reid – Library Science
Coach Brock Zacherl – Assistant Wrestling Coach



FACULTY AND COACHES INTERNSHIP

APSCUF's faculty and coaches' orientation internship is for APSCUF members who have some local APSCUF responsibility and are interested in expanding a working knowledge of the union. Interns spend a week in the summer in the Harrisburg office to observe the entire spectrum of union administration. They interact with staff members who serve in various capacities. The program aims to prepare APSCUF members for increased local and/or state responsibilities.



[Click here](#) to download an application and more information about hotels, travel, and meals. Questions? Email Katie Jeffries at kjeffries@apscuf.org.

 **A REMINDER to the new Fall 2021 Part-time Temporary Faculty:** If you were a new part-time temporary faculty member for the fall 2021 semester and are returning to Clarion University for the spring 2022 semester, please contact Jan Walters in the APSCUF office for a *PA Faculty Health & Welfare Fund* enrollment card. **YES**, you do qualify for partial vision and **FULL** dental coverage for you have fulfilled the obligation of serving one semester of the previous three semesters.



NOTE: THIS IS NO COST TO YOU WHATSOEVER! Just one of the benefits negotiated in APSCUF's collective bargaining agreement. For detailed coverage for part-time temporary faculty, go into the APSCUF website under forms-benefit at <https://www.apscuf.org/members/forms-benefits/> .

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



 **CLARION APSCUF 2022 FALL SCHOLARSHIPS:** Applications are now being accepted for the *Fall 2022 Clarion APSCUF Scholarship* to be awarded to **SEVEN (7)** Clarion University students. Any student wishing to apply must be currently enrolled at Clarion University with a minimum of 3.2 QPA following completion of the Fall 2021 semester. Eligibility, instructions and "fillable" application can now be downloaded at www.apscuf.org/universities/clarion . Deadline for submission is **Friday, March 18, 2022 @ 12:00 pm**.

Please feel free to share the direct link to the application: [Application for APSCUF Scholarship](#)

We are asking once again for you to announce this scholarship to your students in your classes along with posting the above link in each of your D2L course sites. Also, we are asking to please display the announcement flyer in your department where students can view it on page 4 of this newsletter.

In advance, thank you for your assistance: The Clarion APSCUF Scholarship Committee: Jeffrey Diamond (Chair), Todd Lavin & Helen Hampikian

 **STATE APSCUF SCHOLARSHIP:** APSCUF offers a \$3,000 scholarship to relatives of APSCUF or APSCUF members in good standing. [Click here for the 2022 application](#), which must be postmarked or received electronically no later than 11:59 p.m. June 1, 2022. Award recipient(s) will be notified by Aug. 1, 2022. Direct questions to APSCUF's director of membership services at 800-932-0587, Ext. 3021.

-NOW ACCEPTING-
Applications for
Clarion APSCUF Fall Scholarships
To be awarded for Fall Semester 2022

**Instructions & Applications are available online at:
www.apscuf.org/universities/clarion*

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: Friday, March 18, 2022 @ 12:00 pm

Return completed application to the Clarion APSCUF Office, Clarion University of PA, Rhea Building, 840 Wood Street, Clarion, PA 16214 or e-mail your completed application to Clarion APSCUF Office Manager, Jan Walters at jwalters@clarion.edu .

Scholarships will be announced by Friday, April 8, 2022

Seven (7) \$500 scholarships will be awarded to Clarion University students currently enrolled for the Spring 2022 semester, one in each of the following categories:

1. Child or spouse or parent or domestic partner or their child of a Clarion University APSCUF member
2. Graduate student in Fall 2022
3. Senior in Fall 2022
4. Junior in Fall 2022
5. Freshman or Sophomore in Fall 2022
6. Two (2) @ At large in Fall 2022

Students will be considered for all categories in which they fit. Order of selection will be as per the above. Only one (1) scholarship will be awarded to any one (1) student. If there is not a qualified applicant in a category, the scholarship committee reserves the right to roll that scholarship into the at-large category.

The following criteria will be considered in the selection of the recipients:

- Minimum of 3.2 QPA of Clarion University coursework
- Participation and leadership in campus and community service organizations
- A one-page narrative outlining goals and objectives for the future

The scholarship award will be made directly to the university in the name of the student to be applied toward fees and/or room and board.

NOTE: PAST RECIPIENTS OF THE APSCUF SCHOLARSHIP ARE INELIGIBLE FOR THIS YEAR'S AWARD.

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FACULTY: Please feel free to share the below information to any of your students that may be interested in applying for Government/Public Relations internship at State APSCUF in Harrisburg. Application deadline is February 14, 2022.

GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC RELATIONS INTERNSHIP

State APSCUF offers a paid internship in government and public relations for undergraduates attending a Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education university. The APSCUF internship is a great opportunity for a student interested in government, politics, public affairs, journalism or communication. APSCUF interns must be professional, self-motivated and skilled communicators. Our interns have gone on to jobs in the legislature, lobbying and the news media (see [Where are the APSCUF interns now?](#)).

We are seeking a junior or senior majoring in political science, communication, journalism or a related field to serve as a government relations/communication intern at the state APSCUF office building at 319 N. Front St. in Harrisburg. The student internship must be for academic credit under the supervision of a State System university faculty member. The successful applicant should have strong knowledge of government workings, as well as excellent oral and written communication skills. APSCUF will pay \$11 per hour, and interns are expected to work 35 hours each week, Monday through Friday.

Upcoming and current internships:



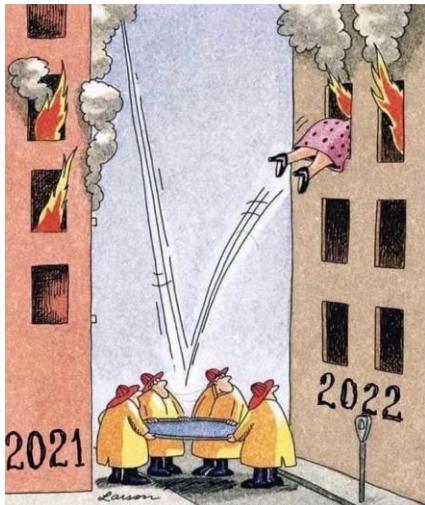
- [Click here](#) for the 2022 internship application. The application deadline is Monday, Feb. 14, 2022. The internship will run Tuesday, May 31, 2022, through Friday, Aug. 5, 2022.

For more information, please contact [Kathryn Morton, communications director](#).



YMCA MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT: Receive a membership discount when you join the Clarion County Scenic Rivers YMCA in Clarion. Present your membership card OR your Member Verification Certificate provided to you by the Clarion APSCUF office to the YMCA Member Service Desk and receive a special discount on your membership. Know that your membership is for both the Oil City and Clarion County YMCAs!

(NOTE: Included in this newsletter on page 7 are the new 2022 Membership Discount Rates)



HAPPY NEW YEAR and WELCOME BACK TO A NEW SEMESTER! MAY THE YEAR OF 2022 BE A “SMOOTH RIDE” FOR ALL OF US AS WE CHANGE!!

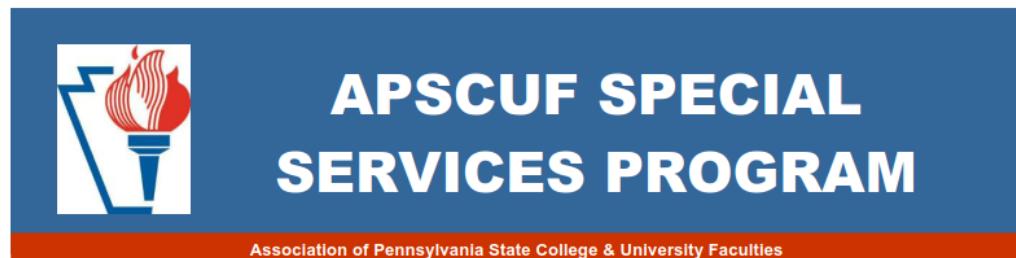
For more information on Clarion/Edinboro/California's Integration, please visit <https://www.clarion.edu/integration/index.html>

For all Covid-19 for Clarion University, please go to <https://www.clarion.edu/covid-19/index.html>

**NOTICE
MEMBERS
ONLY**

NOT REGISTERED FOR APSCUF's MEMBER'S SITE? To get yourself registered, go to www.apscuf.org. Here is the direct link to the registration page: <http://www.apscuf.org/membersonly/membership-registration/>. There you will find all the information on APSCUF's *Special Services* such as discounts on shopping, rental vehicles, amusement parks, phone plans, etc. etc.

APSCUF SPECIAL SERVICES: All full dues-paying APSCUF members are eligible to use the *Special Services* program. Information on these programs (including links and access codes) are available 24/7 to members who provide the necessary sign-up information for the members-only benefits area of this State APSCUF website. For more information about these discounts, go to www.apscuf.org and click onto the “**Members**” section.



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Full dues paying APSCUF and APSCURF members may qualify for reduced homeowner, renter, and/or automobile insurance rates with **Nationwide Insurance** through the APSCUF approved vendor, Trispagonas Insurance. Trispagonas also offers coverage for motorcycles, boats, ATVs, personal umbrella policies, jewelry/valuable articles, vacation travel plans, and pet health plans.



Known for its fundraising efforts in basic education, **Great American Opportunity (GAO)** and APSCUF have partnered to provide discounts used in fundraising directly to our full dues paying members. Access this member benefit through the APSCUF website to place your online order today!



Full dues paying members can save up to 60% on hundreds of entertainment opportunities through the **Working Advantage** program. Shopping, gifts, theater tickets, sporting events, movie tickets, ski resorts, hotels, zoos, theme parks, and more. Site requires a company code, available on the APSCUF website under Member's Only, to register.



Discounts on car rental rates and special promotions such as free upgrades are available to members through **Alamo** and **National Car Rental**. Coupon codes are accessible to full dues paying members on the APSCUF website under Member's Only.



Through the **Vehicle Pricing Program**, full dues paying members may obtain pricing information for new and used vehicles. N.A.D.A. software provides MSRP and invoice prices on most new models and factory-installed options. Used vehicle pricing provides information on trade-in and retail based on year, model, options and mileage. Contact Membership Services for a quote.



Take advantage of an 18% discount on your cell phone plan through **Verizon Wireless**, up to 17% off at **AT&T Wireless** service, or a 15% reduction through **T-Mobile**. Restrictions apply and not all plans will qualify. Information is available on the APSCUF website under Member's Only or by contacting the companies directly.



Family members of APSCUF or APSCURF members in good standing may apply for up to a \$3,000 scholarship through State APSCUF and up to \$2,000 through the local APSCUF chapter. Contact Membership Services and/or your local office for full details and an application for the **Scholarship Program**. Award amounts and deadlines vary by university.

Many organizations, restaurants, and retail stores offer discounts to educators when you show your university ID. Remember to always ask if an educator discount is available!

EMPLOYEE RATES YMCA CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

SCENIC RIVERS YMCA

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Membership Category	Regular Monthly Rate	Corporate Monthly Rate	Activation Fee**
Young Adult Membership (Age 19-29)	\$27.00*	\$27.00*	\$12
Adult Membership (Age 30-64)	\$39.00	\$31.20	\$27
Family Membership	\$55.00	\$44.00	\$45

*Young Adult Membership has been reduced for all and is not further reduced by the corporate program.

Family Membership includes two adults and children up to age 18 who live in the same household, or up to age 25 and in college.

Membership payment is by monthly bank draft or full year payment. Please present a voided check or routing number and account number provided by your bank. We cannot accept handwritten account numbers. **The activation fee will be waived with a full year payment.

Enrollment is available now when you present the signed employer verification form at the YMCA.



Rates Effective: 1.1.22



The APSCUF Rewards program can help you save money on everyday items such as groceries, oil changes and fitness, to larger expenses like travel and moving services. Enrollment is fast, easy and free via the [APSCUF Rewards website](#).

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