

ABOUT THE CONNECTICUT STATE CONFERENCE-AAUP

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The Conference has as its primary object the facilitation of more effective communication among teachers and research scholars in Connecticut universities and colleges, and in Connecticut professional schools of similar grade, for the promotion of the interests of higher education and research. In general the Conference will work to increase the usefulness and to advance the standards and ideals of the university and college teaching profession, without regard to membership in the Conference. The Conference devotes itself to ten principal kinds of activity:

- (a) it holds conferences in Connecticut on issues of pedagogy, academic freedom, curricular and professional development, and the role and organization of universities, as well as other issues of general interest to teachers and scholars without regard to area of specialty;
- (b) it promotes understanding and cooperation among teachers and research scholars in these institutions by preparing and distributing studies of issues affecting higher education, including matters of governmental and legislative action, but does not engage in lobbying or support for partisan candidates for elective office or "grass roots" legislative activity;
- (c) it publishes a newsletter;
- (d) it provides legal and related advice to university and college teachers and research scholars, and teachers and research scholars in professional schools of similar grade, without regard to membership; on employment-related disputes that implicate academic freedom, for example, tenure disputes involving matters of academic principle;
- (e) it cooperates with or makes grants to other organizations with similar purposes;
- (f) it consults on issues of shared governance, faculty/administration/board of trustees relationships, and promotion and tenure criteria;
- (g) it supports the activities of the CT Emeritus Assembly both financially and by active participation;
- (h) it provides material support for chapter leadership training;
- (i) it provides access to AAUP finance professionals and consultants for chapters' and other faculty organizations, effective use of financial analysis;
- (j) it offers consultation and assistance in chapter Committee A work;
- (k) it may from time to time broaden its activities to others that in the opinion of the Conference's Executive Committee supplement or complement any of the educational activities described in (a) through (j).

The following CSC-AAUP offerings are available for financial assistance.

The Robert Bard Legal Defense Fund

The Mort Tenzer Travel Grant

AAUP Summer Institute Scholarships

The following are CSC-AAUP Honors of Distinction

The George E. Lang, Jr. Award

The Walter F. Brady, Jr. Award

