

**Participation in Learned Societies and Professional Meetings**

The university recognizes the necessity of attendance at professional meetings and its effect upon the enhancement of good teaching, scholarship, and related activities. Every effort should be made to have funds available to faculty members for this purpose Faculty members should initiate funding requests in the program.

Approved by the provost and vice president for academic affairs July  
1, 2003

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ready for faculty senate review

**Commented [A2]:** Not sure what 'learned societies'  
refers to -- Professional Organizations? The title infers  
membership -- not necessarily travel.

**Commented [A3R2]:** I think it is a nod to ACLS. The  
American Council of Learned Societies, which awards  
grants to scholars working in the humanities and social  
sciences. <https://www.acls.org/>.

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Meetings" to the title

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To allow memberships to professional organizations or  
to encourage travel?

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travel as part of workload