



APSCUF (the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties) represents more than 6,000 faculty members and coaches employed at Pennsylvania's 14 publicly owned universities – the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE).

History

APSCUF began in 1937 as a professional association for faculty at Pennsylvania's teacher colleges. Since 1972, APSCUF has served as the exclusive collective bargaining agent for PASSHE faculty.

A national leader, APSCUF has one of the most impressive records of any higher education faculty union in the nation in defending faculty rights, protecting academic freedom, successful negotiations and contract implementation, saving faculty jobs and securing the rehiring of faculty and preserving quality education. APSCUF faculty members possess due process guarantees that were a first nationally and are still among the most comprehensive in the nation for permanent faculty members.

In 2002, APSCUF became the first union in the country to organize non-faculty athletic coaches in a public higher education system.

Fast Facts

- With about 120,000 students system-wide, the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education is the largest provider of higher education in the Commonwealth.
- Almost 90 percent of PASSHE students are state residents, and 80 percent of alumni stay in Pennsylvania after graduation.
- The State System schools are the least expensive option for Pennsylvania residents seeking a four-year degree, with annual in-state tuition and fees running about \$6,500. That's more than \$2,000 below the average for public universities in the mid-Atlantic region.
- State System universities are responsible for more than 41,000 full- and part-time jobs across the Commonwealth.
- The 14 State System universities offer degree and certificate programs in more than 120 areas of study, as well as many continuing education programs.

Leadership

The state APSCUF Executive Council is elected by the APSCUF Legislative Assembly – the chief governing body of the association. Each council member serves for a two-year term. Our current leadership team for the 2011-12 academic year:

President	Steve Hicks	Lock Haven
Vice President	Ken Mash	East Stroudsburg
Treasurer	Chris Hallen	Bloomsburg
Secretary	Helen Bieber	Kutztown
Officer-at-Large	Jen Bacon	West Chester
Officer-at-Large	Burrell Brown	California
Officer-at-Large	Jace Condravy	Slippery Rock

President Steve Hicks

President of APSCUF since June 2008, Steve Hicks is currently serving his second two-year term as the organization's statewide leader. An English professor at Lock Haven University, Hicks previously served as president of the Lock Haven chapter of APSCUF. He earned his bachelor's degree at Wabash College, an M.A. at Purdue and his Ph.D. at Catholic University. He began his career as a contingent faculty member, first at Bloomsburg and then at Lock Haven's Clearfield campus. His research interest is 18th century British literature.

In addition to being an advocate for public higher education in Pennsylvania, Hicks has also helped launch the Campaign for the Future of Higher Education (www.futureofhighered.org), which aims to restore the voices of faculty in the national conversation about higher education.

Chapter Leadership

In addition, each PASSHE university has its own APSCUF chapter, with leadership elected by the local chapter's membership. Our current chapter presidents and contact information:

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