CU Denver | Anschutz Staff Council Presentation

RAIN Meeting

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Background on CU Denver | Anschutz Staff Council

 The Staff Council was established by the President of the University and approved by the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado, July 1, 1970. A copy of the Bylaws is provided to the Human Resources, Regents' and Chancellors' offices. The bylaws are published on the Staff Council's website.



Who Do We Represent?

- "Staff Council Members" is defined as the elected body of representatives from the University of Colorado Denver | Anschutz currently representing all staff employees, as defined below.
- "Staff Employees" is defined as all permanent CU Denver | Anschutz employees who are designated as classified staff by the State of Colorado; university staff by the University of Colorado (excluding University officer positions); and those in the research assistant/associate series (this series includes, professional research assistants, senior professional research assistants, research associates, and senior research associates, which is a faculty job series not otherwise represented by faculty assembly).

What Do We Do?

- Serve as representatives for the CU Denver | Anschutz staff employees to the Board of Regents, President of the University, Chancellor(s) of CU Denver | Anschutz, Administrative Officers and the State Personnel Board.
- Provide means for the exchange and dissemination of information among and for the CU Denver | Anschutz staff employees relative to concerns, procedures and policies of mutual interest.
- Promote unity, cooperation and loyalty among all employees of the CU Denver | Anschutz campus locations.
- Study concerns of the staff employees relating to the management, operations and administration of the CU Denver | Anschutz campus locations and to make recommendations to the CU Denver | Anschutz Administration.

- Work with any and all similar councils, groups, or bodies of the University's campuses to fulfill the aforementioned purposes.
- Promote professional development and networking opportunities among CU Denver | Anschutz staff employees.
- Provide representation to boards, councils, committees, and work collaboratively with these groups in areas such as strategic planning, policy development, recruitment, retention, and staff recognition; toward the overall efficiency of the campus and the university.

Current Staff Council Goal

• In July 2018, the University of Colorado Denver | Anschutz Medical Campus Staff Council started a 3-year Staff Council Train & Retain Initiative. The purpose of the initiative is to support, promote, and advocate for both training opportunities and retention efforts for current CU Denver | Anschutz employees.



Train & Retain Initiative Year 1

- Year 1 goals:
 - Synthesizing survey data on the career training/professional development opportunities that staff want.
 - We are especially interested in hearing from administration groups like this! Email staff.council@ucdenver.edu and use the subject "Train-Retain".
 - Assisting with the Staff Council Professional Development Symposium.
 - Publicizing opportunities and gathering resources via email and the Train & Retain website.
 - <u>http://www.ucdenver.edu/faculty-staff/StaffCouncil/Train-Retain/Pages/default.aspx</u>



This guide focuses on voluntary career training and professional development opportunities for CU Denver | Anschutz employees. Some opportunities may be listed in multiple categories or for multiple campuses.

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Train & Retain Advocacy



Improving Employee Usage of the Tuition Assistance Benefit

A Report from the Ad Hoc Employee Tuition Waiver Committee

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Goal: To work with university leadership to implement <u>5 specific recommendations</u> regarding employee (not dependent) usage of the Tuition Assistance Benefit.

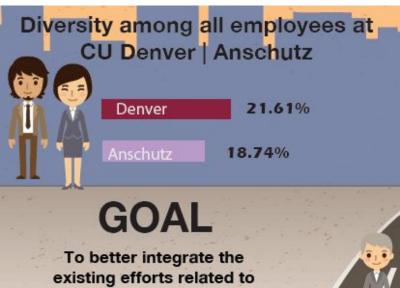
Background: CU Denver | Anschutz Staff Council commonly hears the following about employee usage of the Tuition Assistance Benefit from its constituents:

- 1. "I can't use it, because I can't wait until the first day of classes to enroll."
- 2. "I don't get why you can only use the benefit for certain classes."
- 3. "I get different information about the benefit depending on who I talk to."
- 4. "I need continuing education, not course credit."
- 5. "I got surprised with all of the tax taken out of one paycheck with little notice from Employee Services."

- 1. Allow employees to enroll at the same time as other students.
- 2. Ensure the fair distribution of tuition waiver costs.
- 3. Clarify and ensure implementation of high-level policy.
- 4. Support other means of continuing education through a Staff Training Assistance Program.
- 5. Increase the annual number of credits allowed to be waived to 15.

Train & Retain Initiative Year 2

- Year 2 goals:
 - Pilot a Mentoring Opportunity Program in conjunction with the Professional Development Subcommittee and the Staff Inclusive Excellence Committee.
 - We feel like this may dovetail with the RAWC program that was recently launched.



existing efforts related to diversity/inclusion within the University system, an effort to better empower persons who do not identify as the social majority, and to develop advocates for their own professional well-being and career development.

Mentorship Opportunity Program Pilot

- The Staff Inclusive Excellence Committee and Professional Development Committee are piloting a mentor program over the next 9 months on both the CU Denver and CU Anschutz campuses
- The program will focus on creating pathways to leadership for CU Staff as well as mentorship training for CU employees.



Program Overview

- The pilot will have 20 participants, 10 mentors and 10 mentees
- The participants will be paired based on the skills and competencies of the mentors and the areas the mentees wishes to grow.
- Mentorship pairs will meet once a month
- There will be four scheduled professional development events throughout the year for the mentorship pairs to attend.

Program Outcome

- The Staff Inclusive Excellence Committee and Professional Development Committee hope to continue to provide this program after the pilot year.
- Our team is currently developing the curriculum, learning outcomes, and assessment to measure the success of the program.
- We are hoping to grow the program to include more participants, as there is a great interest and need on our campuses.

Questions? Comments? Ideas?

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