

February 3, 2021

**DEANS, DIRECTORS, AND DEPARTMENT CHAIRS
ACADEMIC FEDERATION MEMBERS**

**Re: Professional Development Program for Eligible Academic Federation
Members other than those in Unit 18**

I am pleased to announce that the Professional Development Program will provide awards for the **2021-2022** academic year. The award criteria and a pdf fillable application form are posted on the Academic Affairs Web site at: <https://academicaffairs.ucdavis.edu/uc-and-campus-awards>. Scroll down the listing to find links to program guidelines and application documents under the heading "Professional Development Award Program for Academic Federation Members."

This competitive program provides funding to enable Academic Federation members to engage in the pursuit of professional development activities that will enhance the effectiveness and capabilities in their current position. This award can be used to attend professional development workshops, seminars, or to learn new skills at a colleague's institution. The call will consider proposals for activities occurring between May 2021 and June 2022. Please note that the AF Professional Development Program does not support travel to professional meetings for presentation of research. Support for such travel can instead be requested through the AF Research Travel Grants Program (see: <http://academicfederation.ucdavis.edu/awards/index.html>.)

Please note that the proposal, the department chair's letter, and any optional supporting letters are due to the Office of the Vice Provost—Academic Affairs by **March 31, 2021**.

Questions concerning the Professional Development Program should be directed to Ellen Bonnel, Academic Federation Assistant to the Vice Provost - Academic Affairs at 530-752-4827 or elbonnel@ucdavis.edu.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Philip H. Kass", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Professor of Analytic Epidemiology,
Population Health and Reproduction (Veterinary Medicine), and
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