

# University Staff Professional Development Grant Awards

Name	Dept	Award	Workshop/Conference	Excerpt from Event Summary
<b>April 2018 - October 2018</b>				
Justin Bolstad	Information Technology Services (ITS)	\$600	Midwest Management Summit	Attended training on our Jamf Pro mobile device management system. I was able to achieve level 300 certification (JAMF Pro Administrator) and the skills I learned there will allow me to better support the campus and those Apple products that we are tasked with supporting. I will then be able to pass those skills that I learned on to my fellow colleagues so they too can use the system to its fullest potential.
Karen DeSchepper	Financial Aid office	\$625	Midwest Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (MSASFAA)	Thanks to the USC PD Grant, I was able to attend my first regional conference, the Midwest Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (MSASFAA). Conferences like this one help me see what we're doing well and perhaps things we can work on, at least from my perspective. If it hadn't been primarily for the grant, and then departmental support to cover any remaining funds, I would not have been able to go
Thomas Fell	Facilities Management	\$600	TMA System Users Conference 2018, Tulsa OK	This experience gave me the understanding of the work order system that I use every day to implement processes to produce a better product and service to the campus. The university benefits by a better system to process work order requests around campus. I'm looking forward on attending the conference in 2019 to continue improving my skills.
Mary Grattan	Economics Dept	\$700	Intl association of Admin Professionals (IAAP) Summit	IAAP Summit 2018 was an amazing experience. It gave me tools and helpful tips I could incorporate into my work day. Thank you for the support of my professional development at UW La Crosse.
Angela House	Political Science/Public Administration Dept	\$650	White Privilege Conference (WPC)	This was a wonderful opportunity to be able to attend a conference of this nature and be able to learn about difficult things in a safe space.
Devyn Marazes	Human Resources	\$550	CUPA-HR Spring Conference	The conference focused on transforming HR through human connections. Laura Minero Meza was the keynote speaker. ....The conference was also a good refresher in that diversity comes in many different forms. Race, sexuality, personality, opinions, upbringing, just to name a few. The UWL campus is a diverse place and because of this conference and the grant that allowed me to attend, I feel that I am better equipped to play an active role in engaging in diversity and inclusion conversations and initiatives on campus.
Nicole Novak	Music Dept	\$600	Grant Writing/Non Profit Mgmt: Online through Ed2Go	I have already applied what I have learned to a Visiting Artist of Color grant application that one of my faculty members recently submitted, which has been successfully funded. Overall, I have been able to apply much of what I've learned in my courses to enhance my job performance, which not only benefits me, but also the university. Thank you to the selection committee for their generous support of this endeavor!
Terry Stika	Murphy Library	\$285	Windows 10: Transition from Windows 7	The event was a one day Windows 10 operating system training class in Madison. The class entailed developing an understanding of how to accomplish your day-to-day work tasks in this environment. The things learned in this class will allow me to better support the staff of Murphy Library
Kathryn Thoen	Women's Gender Sexuality Studies Dept	\$650	White Privilege Conference (WPC)	It was an opportunity to have complicated conversations about a topic that is not one that many want to talk about.
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John Pieper	Facilities	\$1,324	Electrical Thermography Certification course in Minneapolis	I would like to thank the committee for funding the majority of the costs of FLIR's Level 1 Electrical Thermography Certification course in Minneapolis. Just for the record, I passed the test and will be certified shortly.....The course filled in a lot of background that I was unable to get from online tutorials.
Jo Ann Kuester	Human Resources	\$1,375	Spring CUPA Conference	(unable to attend)
Marty Grattan	Economics Dept	\$500	International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP) CAPStone 2019	Topics included: Business Writing and Document Production, Technology and Information Distribution, Records Management, Event & Project Management, Organizational Operations
Megan Stauffacher	Human Resources	\$643	Annual Wisconsin Society for Human Resources Management (WISHRM) Conference	
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Karen DeSchepper	Financial Aid Office	\$589	Wisconsin Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators Conference - Spring 2019	This is an ever-changing topic so gathering with your colleagues to stay up-to-date and learn best practices from each other is essential.....I appreciate that our campus is supportive of "investing in our people" and has given USC the ability to disburse grant funds to those meeting the criteria. Thank you so much!
Mary Grattan	Economics Dept	\$687	International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP) Chicago, IL.	Topics Included: Technology Parts 1 & 2, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, MindMapping 1 & 2, Let's Get Social!
Kathryn L. Thoen	College of Liberal Studies	\$1,862	National Conference on Race and Ethnicity in Higher Education (NCORE, May 27-June 2, 2019)	The NCORE conference series constitutes the leading and most comprehensive national forum on issues of race and ethnicity in American higher education.....NCORE was a challenging, collaborative and comprehensive experience that empowered and equipped individuals to work for equity and justice through self and social transformations.....Education is transformational and having the opportunity to attend and bring that back to our campus is a way to pay it forward as I incorporate what I learned with my day to day interactions and duties on campus.
<b>Nov 1 2019 - Feb 29, 2020</b>				
Pearl Bearhart	Womens Gender & Sexuality Studies	\$675	NASPA Multicultural Institute: Advancing Equity and Inclusive Practice	(Summaries will be added when attendee completes their grant activity)
Mary Grattan	Economics Dept	\$200	International Association of Administrative Professionals Northern Plains Branch Conference	
Karen McGarvey	Extended Learning	\$295	Crucial Conversations Workshop	
Wanda Nemeth	University Centers	\$1,480	ISSA Cleaning Management Institute Train the Trainer	
David Pehl	University Police Services	\$2,187	Cardiac Arrest Survival Summit	
Cyndi Swanson	Recreational Eagle Center	\$275	Fusion Summit	
Kathy Thoen	College of Arts, Social Sciences & Humanities	\$675	NASPA Multicultural Institute: Advancing Equity and Inclusive Practice	