Policy Provisions

The LACCD & AFT Agreement, Article 23, addresses the Professional Growth Committee, known at ELAC as the Conference/Tuition Committee. The committee determines policies and administers procedures related to tuition reimbursement. It is composed of faculty representing the Academic Senate and the AFT, and an administrator.

Article 23 – Professional Growth

Tuition reimbursement shall be awarded for a course, workshop, or other organized activity completed in an accredited institution. The course(s) must adhere to one of the following and result in a final transcript, certificate, official institute letter, or other approved documentation.

- Discipline
- Related Discipline
- Curriculum Methods
- Retraining as approved by the college President

Tuition Reimbursement Policy

- **Eligibility**: Full time, adjunct, and faculty listed in the Agreement under Article 3, The Faculty Unit.
- **Timeline**: Submit no earlier than 30 days prior to start date and no later than end of second week of class. Late submittals must include a brief written justification; however, reimbursement may be delayed or denied.
- **Full Time Faculty** – $500 maximum ELAC reimbursement for two semesters per academic year. Reimbursement subject to change based on budget and number of applicants. Contractual maximum is $3,000 per academic year; however, this is not guaranteed.
  - **Supplement** - If funds remain, the Conference/Tuition Committee Chair, may file a supplemental request on behalf of those who qualify.
- **Adjunct Faculty** – Reimbursement prorated upon percentage of a full-time assignment, number of teaching units, and tuition fees; e.g., a full-time 15 hour load is prorated at .2 if an adjunct teaches 3 units; .4 if teaching 6 units, .6 if teaching 9 units, etc.
- **Appeal Process** – If request is denied, applicant will be informed of appeal process by the Conference/Tuition Committee Chair.
- **Course Completion** – Verification of completed course(s) plus receipts of paid tuition fees, must be sent in a timely manner via campus mail, to the Conference/Tuition Committee Chair.

Tuition Reimbursement Procedure

- Complete **ELAC Request for Conference Attendance and LACCD Tuition Reimbursement** forms.
- Submit completed forms and proof of tuition fees to **Ronaldo Villalobos, Office of Professional Development, F5-321**.
- Request is approved if not returned.
- Upon course completion, submit **transcripts** and **paid receipts** to **Choonhee Rhim, Chair, Conference/Tuition Committee**.
- After reimbursement is processed, email will be sent from Fiscal Office noting **check arrival**.

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