

P04.10.030. Conflict of Interest.

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- C. It is not a violation of this policy for a faculty member to have an immediate family member

The faculty member may not be directly involved in the alternative form of evaluation.

- D. Any exception to this policy requires the prior written approval of the president. The president will advise the board of all granted exceptions.

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UNIVERSITY REGULATION
PART IV - HUMAN RESOURCES
Chapter 04.10 – Ethics and Conduct

R04.10.010. Scope and Conduct of Outside Activities; Compliance with State Law.

A. Scope

1. Serving on advisory bodies and university governance groups, teaching, research, application of research findings, preparation and publication of articles and books (whether for royalty or not), preparation and delivery of lectures, memberships and activities in professional societies, participation in artistic performances or activities, when said activities are related to staff members' professional fields and no compensation or honorarium (other than royalties from publication) is received, are considered to be within the regular work duties of university employees and are supported by the university.

Examples of activities considered to be outside the regular work or duties are: consulting for or providing other services to individuals or firms, serving on boards of directors, or as officers of business organizations, and engaging in commercial operations and practice except as noted above.

2. Outside activities may be of a one-time nature, intermittent or occasional, or regularly recurring. They may involve little or considerable amounts of compensation.
3. For purposes of this regulation, "employee" is intended to include all personnel of the university, including both staff and faculty enrolled on the university payroll records and receiving compensation from the University of Alaska, no matter what the basic fund source, for the performance of regular staff or academic duties. It includes part-time as well as full-time employees. It does not include

52.990(b)(7).

Approvals of outside activities are subject to the following:

- a. Outside activities are to be disclosed preferably electronically, or in writing if electronic reporting is not feasible, and reviewed by the _____ by the ethics designee. The employee must report any significant change in the outside activity when it occurs, and at least once each year on or before July 1.
- b. current and/or proposed outside activities, taken individually or cumulatively,

- b. In some cases the outside activity of an employee may be in the interest of

C. Rationale

In order to maintain the highest ethical standards in all associations and activities with outsiders that take place on behalf of the university, every employee of the university is expected to accord the university his/her primary professional loyalty and to arrange outside obligations, financial interests and activities so as not to conflict or interfere with this over-riding commitment. All university employees will conduct both university business and their individual activities in a manner which will withstand the sharpest scrutiny and avoid even the appearance of impropriety.

D. Disclosure

All university employees will follow the practice of full prior disclosure, in writing, of the precise nature of any association, relationship, business arrangement or circumstance that might suggest that decisions were made contrary to the best interests of the university and/or for an employee's personal gain or the gain of an employee's family, close friends or business associates. All such prior disclosures will be done through organizational channels to the university president in case of employees, or to the board president in the case of regents.

E. Areas of Potential Conflict

The following activities and situations present conflicts of interest or commitment.

1. Use of University Resources

The unauthorized use of any university resources by a university employee, including equipment or services of university employees, for his/her own personal benefit.

2. Disclosure of Privileged Information

The unauthorized disclosure or release of any data of a confidential nature by a university employee, secured through one's employment, such as educational, medical, personnel, security records of individuals; anticipated material requirements or price actions; possible new sites for university actions; knowledge of forthcoming programs or of selection of contractors or subcontractors in advance of official announcements; results, materials, records of information stemming from university activity that are not generally available.

3. Acceptance of Gifts

Direct or indirect acceptance by a university employee of a loan, gift or favor of more than nominal value from any organization or person doing or seeking to do business with the university. Nominal value is generally considered to mean low cost advertisement items, i.e., calendars, cups, pens, etc. This subsection should not be deemed to prohibit normal loans made in the ordinary course of business

from banks or financial institutions that have or expect to have relations with the university.

4. Provision of Gifts

Direct or indirect provision by a university employee of a gift or favor of more than nominal value to any organization or person doing or seeking to do business with the university.

5. Interest in Supplier or Contractor

Direct or indirect interest by a university employee in any organization that has, or is seeking to have, business dealings with the university where there is an opportunity for preferential treatment to be given or received except (a) with the knowledge and written consent of the board or university president, or (b) in any

10. Research

Direction of students by a university employee into a research area from which the employee hopes to realize financial gain.

A university employee will be considered to have done indirectly the things or activities described in subsection E whenever any part of the actions or things are accomplished by

3. If any activity is interpreted as an existing or potential conflict of interest, the university president, or president of the Board of Regents in the case of regents, will determine what action is necessary to eliminate or avoid any conflict of interest.

H. Sanctions

Failure of an employee to follow the requirements of this chapter or comply with related directives from the president or his designee will be grounds for suspension or dismissal of the employee and/or other sanctions as may be deemed appropriate by the university president.

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