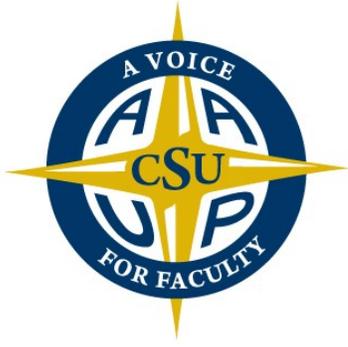




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**THIS WEEK'S FACEBOOK QUESTION:**

What are your thoughts on the results of the AAUP Report on the Economic Status of the Profession?

# ***Union News***

## **National AAUP News**

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### **Annual Report on the Economic Status of the Profession**

National AAUP released its report on the economic status of the profession, *A Very Slow Recovery: The Annual Report on the Economic Status of the Profession, 2011–12*. The complete report (including the institutional listings of average salary by rank and gender and aggregate tables for comparison) is available on its [website](#), and AAUP members also received a hard copy of this year's report in the mail as part of their member subscription to *Academe*.

In addition to listing average salary by faculty rank and gender at 1,250 colleges and universities, the report provides an important perspective on the economic challenges facing higher education.

Here are some highlights:

- This year's analysis debunks the myth that faculty salaries are driving tuition prices upward.
- Tuition prices have risen two, three, or four times as fast as full-time faculty salaries.
- At public colleges and universities, a major factor in tuition increases has been the withdrawal of state and local funding.
- The rise in tuition prices has coincided with rapid growth in part-time faculty appointments that pay incredibly low wages and usually do not include benefits.

### **National AAUP Elections**

Reminder that National AAUP Elections are currently taking place. All AAUP members should have received a mailed ballot to your home address. Ballots must be returned by April 16.

**Connecticut State  
Conference-AAUP  
Spring Meeting**

The Connecticut State Conference-AAUP Spring Meeting will take place on Thursday, May 10 from 5:30-9pm at the Graduate Club in New Haven. The topic will be “**Academic Freedom and the Law**” and the distinguished speaker will be Yale Law School Dean and the Sol & Lillian Goldman Professor of Law, Robert C. Post. Look for more information from your AAUP chapter as the date approaches!

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