



A Union of Professionals

2018 Contingent Faculty Mobilization Training

AFT Higher Education invites you to send a team of two people to our first ever Contingent Faculty Mobilization Training in Philadelphia on June 10-16, 2018. This training is one of the programs we're offering in lieu of our annual Higher Education Professional Issues Conference, and it will focus on building our organizing power in preparation for the Supreme Court's decision in *Janus* and the campaigns we'll likely need to wage as a result.

Participants will gain a range of skills and experience. They will learn about—and practice—holding organizing conversations that effectively recruit and mobilize new members, identifying and planning campaigns around union issues, mapping and charting your workplace, solidifying work-site structures, and preparing for upcoming political battles. Participants should be prepared to commit to long and irregular hours during the training, and they should be prepared to work as part of a larger team.

This mobilization training will launch a yearlong effort to develop internal organizing capacity in our adjunct/contingent faculty locals nationwide—in part, by holding virtual meetings every other month. We ask for all participants to commit to this yearlong process.

The training will empower teams of two people, to be made up of up-and-coming contingent faculty activists. Locals must apply, and space is limited to 30 participants. AFT will cover the cost of travel, housing, and breakfast for participants.

To participate, please fill out the following application and submit it to highered@aft.org by May 1. We will conduct interviews by phone and notify participants by May 10. If you have any questions, contact the AFT Higher Education department at highered@aft.org or 202-879-4426. We look forward to hearing from you and seeing a team from your local at the Contingent Faculty Mobilization Training on June 10-16.

Local name and number: _____

Name of leader submitting application: _____

Union position: _____

Phone number and email: _____

Name and email of first activist: _____

Name and email of second activist: _____

Would your first activist bring a car?: YES / NO

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What are your local's strengths?

What are your local's challenges?

What opportunities or potential opportunities does your local have in:

1. Member engagement or member activism

2. Political activism

3. Building a sustainable union

Is your local running a contingent faculty issue campaign that could be included in a Contingent Faculty Symposium on Saturday, June 16? If so, please provide a brief summary of the campaign.

What threats or potential threats does your union face?

How can this leadership conference benefit your team and union?

Would you commit to putting together a local leadership/activism action plan for your local?

Yes _____ No _____

Would your team of activists commit to bimonthly follow-up virtual meetings regarding your action plan after the conference? Yes _____ No _____