



OFFICE OF FACULTY
DEVELOPMENT

Conference Participation Funding Tiers & Application Instructions

The Conference Participation Fund supports faculty who are directly contributing to the dissemination of scholarship or engaging in significant scholarly activity as delineated in section I and II below.

- I. **Major National Conferences.** Priority in distributing funds is directed toward supporting the dissemination of significant work at a major national (or international) professional conference related to one's teaching area by:
 - A. Delivering a paper for which proposals are submitted on a competitive basis.
 - B. Participating as a major office holder.
 - C. Participating in a working group that will produce a publication.
 - D. Delivering an invited address.

- II. **Other Requests.** Since funding is limited, contributions at major national conferences are given priority. However, *if funds are available*, consideration may be given to requests related to:
 - A. Serving as a respondent, panelist, or poster presenter at a national professional conference.
 - B. Chairing a session or presenting awards at a national professional conference.
 - C. Delivering a paper at a regional professional conference or a professional conference not directly related to one's major teaching area.
 - D. Participating as a major office holder in a regional professional organization or as a minor office holder in a national professional organization.
 - E. Delivering a paper or an address at a national non-professional conference.

To ensure funding consideration, a request for *one conference held during the current fiscal year*, (i.e. between July 1 and June 30) must be submitted by September 15. Send your completed request to facdev@messiah.edu. [The form is available on FalconLink under Conference Participation Form.] If you have submitted a conference proposal or if you plan to submit one any time this academic year, you should submit a request form now. Release of funds is contingent upon acceptance of that proposal. Funding requests received after September 15th will be reviewed as received, but the budget may already be depleted.