

	<b>Educational Resource</b>
	Category Fiscal
<b>Donations and Activities</b>	

<b>Effective:</b>	June 1, 2006
<b>Responsible Office:</b>	Office of University Controller
<b>Related APS:</b>	Donations
<b>Brief Description:</b> Provide examples of activities for which <i>university funds</i> are, and are not, allowed to be used for donations	

**Examples of activities involving donations and their allowability**

1. If an *employee* or *associate* is invited to an event hosted by an external community agency that is directly related to the instructional, research, or public service mission of the University, and he/she is **expected** to represent the University in a substantial manner, then the sponsoring *organizational unit* shall not charge the *employee* or *associate* to attend the function. The waiver of the required or solicited donation ensures that *university funds* are not spent on donations.  
**Note:** *University funds* shall be used only for a **limited** number of individuals, i.e., the number necessary to adequately represent the University.
  
2. If an *employee* or *associate* is invited to an event hosted by an external community agency that is directly related to the instructional, research, or public service mission of the University, but he/she is **not expected** to represent the University in a substantial manner, then the invitation to the *employee* or *associate* is considered to be a personal invitation. If the *employee* or *associate* elects to attend the event as a means of offering personal support, then the *employee* or *associate* is personally responsible for the required donation.
  
3. Department X holds a *special event*. The fee for attending the function is \$200, of which \$50 represents the cost of the meal and \$150 is considered to be a donation. *University funds* may be used to pay the \$50 meal cost for the *employee* or *associate* attending the event for the purpose of representing the University in a substantial manner. *University funds* may not be used to pay the \$150 donation.  
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4. A function honoring a professor from Department ABC is being held. The fee for attending the function is \$50, which represents the cost of the meal. No donation is required. *University funds* may be used to pay for the \$50 meal cost for personnel attending the event to represent the University in a substantial manner.  
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