

The University of Wisconsin System

UPS OPERATIONAL POLICY: WE 2



SUBJECT: Government Accountability Board

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1. POLICY PURPOSE:

This policy outlines the reporting requirements for all University of Wisconsin System State Public Officials.

2. POLICY BACKGROUND:

The mission of the Government Accountability Board (GAB) is to ensure accountability in government by enforcing ethics, financial, election, and lobbying laws. The GAB is a source of information about the election process, and the activities and finances of candidates for public office.

Any employee hired as a State Public Official must annually file a Statement of Economic Interest with the GAB. The form [GAB-903](#), along with instructions on filling out the form is located on the [GAB website](#).

3. POLICY DEFINITIONS:

Please see UPS Operational Policy [GEN 0: General Terms and Definitions](#) for a list of general terms and definitions.

Definitions specific to this policy:

“State Public Official” means any individual holding a state public office identified in [Wis. Stat. §19.42\(13\)](#) and includes individuals carrying any of the following titles within the University of Wisconsin System regardless of their departmental or institutional designation:

- Member – Board of Regents
- President
- Chancellor
- Vice Chancellor
- All Vice President titles

“Institution” means any of the following: UW-Eau Claire; UW-Green Bay; UW-La Crosse; UW-Milwaukee; UW-Oshkosh; UW-Parkside; UW-Platteville; UW-River Falls; UW-Stevens Point; UW-Stout; UW-Superior; UW-Whitewater; UW Colleges; UW-Extension; and UW System Administration.

4. POLICY:

All Institutions must inform the Associate Vice President for Human Resources & Workforce Diversity at University of Wisconsin System Administration of the name and title of any State Public Official the Institution appoints on his or her date of appointment.

Upon notification of the name and title of a newly appointed State Public Official under Section 3 of this policy, the Associate Vice President for Human Resources & Workforce Diversity will notify said official of reporting requirements according to [Wis. Stat. §19.43](#). Every year thereafter, the GAB will contact said official in regards to their reporting requirements under [Wis. Stat. §19.43](#).

5. RELATED DOCUMENTS:

Wisconsin Statutes §19.41 et seq., [Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Employees](#)

6. POLICY HISTORY: