

Presidential Remarks

Statement on AAUP contract settlement

September 4, 2021

On September 4, 2021, Oakland University reached a contract settlement with the OU Chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP). We respect the diligence, dedication, and passion of those who negotiated on behalf of the OU administration and AAUP. The new contract reflects good-faith negotiations and represents a fair and equitable agreement. We look forward to the faculty taking all necessary and feasible steps to make sure students receive the course content, learning objectives, and support needed to succeed academically.

As we move ahead, we look forward to working together with AAUP as we plan and respond strategically to the many challenges facing OU and higher education institutions across the country. In the upcoming days and months, we must find common ground in the values, priorities and mission we share.

The demands, uncertainty and challenges of the last year-and-a-half of the pandemic have tested our resolve. As we make the transition to the fall semester, let's all take the opportunity to do our part in providing the best possible educational experience to OU students.