

News Item from State APSCUF

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Grubbs, Craft added to APSCUF Contract Department staff

State APSCUF President Steve Hicks is pleased to announce the additions of Joshua J. Grubbs and Sara Craft to the Harrisburg staff.

“APSCUF is fortunate to be able to add two quality individuals to assist a very busy department,” Hicks said.

“Josh and Sara have hit the ground running, and I know Mary Rita Duvall-Quinn, the head of the Contract Department, is pleased with how they have meshed with the staff members in the department. We wish them the best.”

Grubbs comes to APSCUF from SEIU Healthcare Pennsylvania, a union that represents 20,000 healthcare workers across the state. He worked in the Member Resource Center, a pilot program for the union where his primary responsibilities included contract interpretation,

grievance handling, and arbitration preparation. Grubbs was an APSCUF intern back in the spring semester of 2005.

“I am excited to be working for an organization that values education like APSCUF does,” Grubbs said. “I look forward to contributing to the goals of the organization in whatever ways possible.”

Grubbs earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Grove City College, as well as a Master of Arts degree in Industrial and Labor Relations from IUP. He is currently a candidate for his Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Tennessee.

On the lighter side, Josh also describes himself as “one of the last of a dying breed known as diehard Pittsburgh Pirate fan.”



Sara Craft

Craft recently completed an internship with State APSCUF headquarters and was hired to a temporary position.

During her internship, Sara had the opportunity to research policies, travel to universities and meet with faculty to discuss grievances. Within the Contract Department, she has assisted Julie Reese with the Coaches contracts.

Sara earned her Master’s of Arts degree from IUP’s Employment and Labor Relations Department.

“I am happy to be starting my employment career here at State APSCUF headquarters,” Craft said.

“I gained valuable experience as an intern, and that experience has helped me get off to a great start in my new position.”



Josh Grubbs