

Acronym	Meaning	What It Means at CSUF
AS	Academic Senate	
CAPS	Counseling and Psychological Services	Counseling faculty in CAPS may have evaluation requirements and portfolio documents that differ from traditional instructional faculty.
CBA	Collective Bargaining Agreement	The labor agreement between the CSU and CFA governing faculty employment, evaluations, workload, and salary matters. FAR frequently references the CBA in evaluation procedures.
CFA	California Faculty Association	
CSU	California State University	
DIP	Difference in Pay Leave	A type of faculty leave administered through Faculty Affairs alongside sabbatical leaves.
DPC	Department Personnel Committee	Elected tenured faculty within a department who review RTP, tenure, and promotion files and make recommendations. The DPC is one of the first levels of formal review.
FAC	Faculty Affairs Committee (Academic Senate)	
FAR	Faculty Affairs and Records	The office that manages faculty evaluation processes, personnel records, RTP reviews, lecturer evaluations, SOQs, sabbaticals, and related faculty affairs functions.
FERP	Faculty Early Retirement Program	A CSU retirement program that allows eligible retired faculty to continue teaching on a limited basis.
FPC	Faculty Personnel Committee	College-level committee that reviews files after departmental review and provides an independent recommendation to the Dean. Interfolio identifies FPC members as authorized reviewers.

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HRDI	Human Resources, Diversity and Inclusion	The office referenced in range elevation eligibility processes that compiles annual eligibility lists. (The division has since evolved organizationally into HRIE.)
HRIE	Human Resources, Inclusive Excellence	The CSUF division responsible for faculty appointments, recruitment, immigration matters, leaves, retirement programs, and other employment-related functions.
PAF	Personnel Action File	The official faculty employment file maintained by FAR. It contains appointment letters, evaluations, position descriptions, and other personnel records.
PLS	Pollak Library South	The campus building where the Faculty Affairs and Records office is located.
PRTB	Pre-Retirement Reduction in Time Base	A CSU program allowing eligible faculty to reduce workload prior to retirement.
PTR	Post-Tenure Review	The periodic review process for tenured faculty after tenure has been granted.
RTP	Retention, Tenure, and Promotion	The formal evaluation process used for probationary tenure-track faculty seeking retention, tenure, and/or promotion.
SOQ	Student Opinion Questionnaire	The official student course evaluation instrument used to gather student feedback on instruction.
UPS	University Policy Statement	Official CSUF policies governing faculty evaluation procedures, promotion, tenure, range elevation, and many other academic matters. Examples include UPS 210.070.
VPAA	Vice President for Academic Affairs (Provost)	The chief academic officer who makes campus-level recommendations and decisions in the RTP process.

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WPAF	Working Personnel Action File	The evaluation portfolio submitted by faculty during RTP, lecturer evaluations, range elevation reviews, and related personnel actions.