

### **RNA Institute Member Benefits for Academic Members**

1. Training and use of RNA institute tools (for tools with chargebacks, same cost for all members).
2. Ability to apply for and receive RNA Institute sponsored travel (current) and research (future) awards.
3. Letter of support from RNA Institute for grant applications.
4. The ability to request exposure via “Member Highlights” (and be highlighted, within reason) on RNA Institute web site, newsletter and social media platforms.
5. Free parking for offsite committee members (attending meetings) and members attending symposium and events (within reason, 5 to 10 tokens / year).
6. Free access to RNA Cafe and RNA Institute sponsored seminars.

### **RNA Institute Member Obligations**

1. Contribute to the mission of the RNA Institute through one of the following mechanisms) (time, shared equipment, service, training, direct or indirect financial support or novel scientific reagents).
2. Participate in Annual Meeting and/or RNA Institute sponsored events.
3. Acknowledge RNA Institute membership and/or support in manuscripts, grants, talks etc.
4. Collaborate with other members and help recruit new members.

### **The faculty categories are fluid and change based on faculty research focus and their level of engagement**

*Institute Faculty* – Contribute indirect cost returns or engage in monthly service to the RNA Institute.

*Associate Faculty* – University at Albany Faculty that consistently contribute to the mission of the RNA Institute through service and participation in events each year.

*Affiliate Faculty* – Are faculty from other Colleges and Universities who contribute to the mission of the Institute through service and participation in events.

*Distinguished Faculty* - Are senior faculty who made major contributions to the development and mission of the Institute.