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Form 990

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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OMB No 1545-0047

2014

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2014, and ending 06-30-2015

B Check if applicable

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Final return/terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY INC

Doing business as

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)

Room/suite

2200 LAKE BOULEVARD NE

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

ATLANTA, GA 30319

F Name and address of principal officer

MARK ANDREJESKI

2200 LAKE BOULEVARD NE

ATLANTA,GA 30319

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates?

☐ Yes

☒ No

H(b) Are all subordinates included?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number

I Tax-exempt status

☐ 501(c)(3)

☒ 501(c) (6)

(insert no)

☐ 4947(a)(1) or

☐ 527

J Website: WWW.RHEUMATOLOGY.ORG

K Form of organization

☒ Corporation

☐ Trust

☐ Association

☐ Other

L Year of formation 1985

M State of legal domicile IL

Part I	Summary																																
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities ADVANCES RHEUMATOLOGY THROUGH PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION, RESEARCH, ADVOCACY AND PRACTICE SUPPORT																																
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Part II

Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here

Signature of officer

MARK ANDREJESKI EXECUTIVE VP

Type or print name and title

2016-04-12

Date

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Print/Type preparer's name

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Preparer's signature

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Date

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN P00445891

Firm's name

DIXON HUGHES GOODMAN LLP

Firm's EIN

56-0747981

Phone no

(828) 254-2254

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

☒ Yes

☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

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1

Briefly describe the organization's mission

THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY IS AN ORGANIZATION OF AND FOR PHYSICIANS, HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, AND SCIENTISTS THAT ADVANCES RHEUMATOLOGY THROUGH PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION, RESEARCH, ADVOCACY AND PRACTICE SUPPORT THAT FOSTER EXCELLENCE IN THE CARE OF PEOPLE WITH OR AT RISK FOR ARTHRITIS AND RHEUMATIC AND MUSCULOSKELETAL DISEASES

2

Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3

Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

THE ACR PROVIDES PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION FOR ITS MEMBERS THROUGH SEVERAL VENUES ITS ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, HELD EACH FALL, IS DEVOTED TO THE RHEUMATIC DISEASES THIS MEETING DRAWS THOUSANDS OF RHEUMATOLOGISTS AND ARTHRITIS HEALTH PROFESSIONALS FROM AROUND THE WORLD A WINTER RHEUMATOLOGY SYMPOSIUM, SPRING CLINICAL MEETINGS, AND OTHER TOPICAL CONFERENCES ROUND OUT THE ACR'S EDUCATION OFFERINGS THE ACR HAS TWO SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS "ARTHRITIS & RHEUMATOLOGY", FOR RESEARCH IN THE RHEUMATIC DISEASES, AND "ARTHRITIS CARE & RESEARCH", WHICH FOCUSES ON THE HEALTH SERVICES AND CLINICAL ASPECTS OF RHEUMATOLOGY THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY SUPPORTS THE RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH FOUNDATION, A RELATED ENTITY THIS FOUNDATION INVESTS OVER \$10 MILLION ANNUALLY IN RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH AND TRAINING IN THE US, INCLUDING FOSTERING MENTORSHIP AND COLLABORATIONS

4b

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4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e

Total program service expenses

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A		No
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)? 	Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I 		No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 	Yes	
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 		No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II 		No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 		No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 		No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V 		No
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI 	Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII 	Yes	
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII 		No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX 		No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 		No
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	Yes	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII 	Yes	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional 		No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		No
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)		No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II		No
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21		No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22	Yes	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23	Yes	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a		
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b		
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	34	Yes	
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36		
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Yes	

Part V

Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

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		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.	292	
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	0	
c. Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		1c	Yes
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return.	101	
b. If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions).		2b	Yes
3a. Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		3a	Yes
b. If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? <i>If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O.</i>		3b	Yes
4a. At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		4a	No
b. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5a. Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		5a	No
b. Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		5b	No
c. If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		5c	
6a. Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		6a	No
b. If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		6b	
7. Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a. Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		7a	
b. If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		7b	
c. Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		7c	
d. If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.		7d	
e. Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		7e	
f. Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		7f	
g. If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		7g	
h. If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		7h	
8. Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		8	
9a. Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		9a	
b. Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		9b	
10. Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter			
a. Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.		10a	
b. Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities.		10b	
11. Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter			
a. Gross income from members or shareholders.		11a	
b. Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them).		11b	
12a. Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		12a	
b. If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.		12b	
13. Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a. Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.		13a	
b. Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans.		13b	
c. Enter the amount of reserves on hand.		13c	
14a. Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		14a	No
b. If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? <i>If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.</i>		14b	

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure

For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	No
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	No
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9	No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	Yes
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records

Part VII

Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			

Part VII

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			

1b	Sub-Total			
c	Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A			
d	Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	1,534,084	0	206,279

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization 15

		Yes	No
3	Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3	No
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	Yes
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ►0

Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
			Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns	1a				
	b	Membership dues	1b				
	c	Fundraising events	1c				
	d	Related organizations	1d	426,719			
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	1,467,271			
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	2,523,807			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		4,417,797			
Program Service Revenue	2a	MEETING REVENUE	Business Code 541900	12,603,173	12,603,173		
	b	MANAGEMENT FEE	541900	2,128,389	2,128,389		
	c	MEMBERSHIP DUES	541900	1,838,695	1,838,695		
	d	LABEL & MISC SALES	541900	126,718	52,424	74,294	
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		16,696,975			
	Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		626,016		626,016
4		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
5		Royalties		4,649,763		4,649,763	
6a		Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
		b	Less rental expenses				
		c	Rental income or (loss)				
		d	Net rental income or (loss)				
7a		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
		b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses				
		c	Gain or (loss)				
		d	Net gain or (loss)		1,208,880		1,208,880
8a		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a				
		b	Less direct expenses	b			
		c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events				
9a		Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a				
		b	Less direct expenses	b			
		c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities				
10a		Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a				
		b	Less cost of goods sold	b			
		c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory				
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a	MISCELLANEOUS	900099	21,191			21,191	
b							
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		21,191				
12	Total revenue. See Instructions		27,620,622	16,570,257	52,424	6,580,144	

Part IX

Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns All other organizations must complete column (A)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

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Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments See Part IV, line 21				
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals See Part IV, line 22	881,683			
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,010,118			
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	6,758,270			
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	569,490			
9	Other employee benefits	1,111,798			
10	Payroll taxes	543,427			
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal	227,025			
c	Accounting	58,700			
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	5,425,751			
12	Advertising and promotion	19,320			
13	Office expenses	1,988,482			
14	Information technology				
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	306,182			
17	Travel	1,460,030			
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	3,341,464			
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	561,119			
23	Insurance	131,574			
24	Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
a	MISCELLANEOUS	197,199			
b	UBI TAXES	4,354			
c					
d					
e	All other expenses				
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	24,595,986			
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X

Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

				(A)		(B)
				Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing		500	1	500
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		5,374,812	2	5,462,763
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net			3	
	4	Accounts receivable, net		1,852,432	4	2,594,899
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L			5	
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L			6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net			7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use			8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		484,810	9	451,721
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a10,120,523			
	b	Less accumulated depreciation	10b2,523,310	7,441,143	10c	7,597,213
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		23,402,245	11	24,899,841
	12	Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11		3,384,240	12	2,747,532
	13	Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11			13	
	14	Intangible assets			14	
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11			15	
	16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		41,940,182	16	43,754,469
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		2,069,141	17	1,881,010
	18	Grants payable			18	
	19	Deferred revenue		5,077,062	19	5,048,302
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities			20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D			21	
	22	Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L			22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties			23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties			24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D			25	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		7,146,203	26	6,929,312
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.					
	27	Unrestricted net assets		34,793,979	27	36,825,157
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets			28	
	29	Permanently restricted net assets			29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.					
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund			31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances		34,793,979	33	36,825,157
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		41,940,182	34	43,754,469

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	27,620,622
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	24,595,986
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	3,024,636
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	34,793,979
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-993,459
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	36,825,157

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		No
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
2c	If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?	Yes	
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	Yes	

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Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) E WILLIAM ST CLAIR MD ACR PRESIDENT 2015	14 00	X		X				63,338	0	0
(1) JOAN M VON FELDT MD MSED ACR PRESIDENT ELECT 2015	14 00 5 00	X		X				48,319	0	0
(2) DAVID I DAIKH MD SECRETARY 2015	14 00 5 00	X		X				20,000	0	0
(3) SHARAD LAKHANPAL MD ACR TREASURER 2014/2015	14 00 5 00	X		X				43,917	0	0
(4) KAMALA M NOLA ARHP PRESIDENT 2015	14 00 5 00	X		X				27,175	0	0
(5) KAREN SMARR ARHP PRESIDENT 2014	14 00	X		X				27,559	0	0
(6) DAVID R KARP MD FOUNDATION PRESIDENT 2015/ FOUNDATION VICE PRESIDE	14 00 5 00	X		X				61,622	0	0
(7) JOSEPH FLOOD ACR PRESIDENT 2014	14 00	X		X				103,388	0	0
(8) EMILY M ISAACS MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(9) TIMOTHY LAING MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(10) KENNETH G SAAG MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(11) V MICHAEL HOLERS MD MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(12) PAULA MARCHETTA MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(13) RODOLFO MOLINA MD MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(14) RICHARD A FURIE MD MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(15) ABBEY G ABLESON MD MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(16) ZSUZSANNA H MCMAHAN MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						900	0	0
(17) BRUCE N CRONSTEIN MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						2,500	0	0
(18) CHARLES M KING MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						3,750	0	0
(19) DEBORAH D DESIR MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(20) MARILYN G PUNARO MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(21) JOANNE M JORDAN MEMBER-AT-LARGE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(22) MARK ANDREJSKI EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	40 00			X				490,781	0	74,596
(23) COLLEEN MERKEL VP OPERATIONS AND FINANCE	40 00 11 00			X				145,059	0	32,451
(24) STEVE BLEVINS VP INFORMATION SYSTEMS	40 00					X		128,965	0	21,396

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(26) RACHEL MYSLINSKI VP , PRACTICE, ADVOCACY & Q	40 00					X		141,475	0	32,252
(1) DONNA HOYNE VP EDUCATION	40 00					X		121,722	0	25,482
(2) JANE DIAMOND MANAGING EDITOR, ARTHRITIS	40 00					X		103,614	0	20,102

SCHEDULE C

(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury

Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ **Complete if the organization is described below. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**

▶ **Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at**

www.irs.gov/form990.

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Open to Public Inspection

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
- Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Name of the organization AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY INC	Employer identification number 58-1627547
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

1	Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV	
2	Political expenditures	▶ \$
3	Volunteer hours	

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

1	Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955	▶ \$
2	Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955	▶ \$
3	If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?	☐ Yes ☐ No
4a	Was a correction made?	☐ Yes ☐ No
b	If "Yes," describe in Part IV	

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

1	Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities	▶ \$
2	Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities	▶ \$
3	Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b	▶ \$
4	Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	☐ Yes ☐ No
5	Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV	

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-

Part II-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A
- Check ☐ if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)
- B
- Check ☐ if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)															
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)															
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)															
d Other exempt purpose expenditures															
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)															
f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns															
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Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)															
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-															
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-															
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		☐ Yes ☐ No													

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response to lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

		(a)		(b)
		Yes	No	Amount
1	During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a	Volunteers?			
b	Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c	Media advertisements?			
d	Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e	Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f	Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g	Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i	Other activities?			
j	Total. Add lines 1c through 1i.			
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912.			
c	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912.			
d	If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

		Yes	No
1	Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	No
2	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	No
3	Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	No

Part III-B

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1	Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	1,838,695
2	Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a	Current year	2a	648,924
b	Carryover from last year	2b	
c	Total	2c	648,924
3	Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	648,924
4	If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV

Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation

Part IV

Return Reference

Explanation

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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2014

Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY INC	Employer identification number 58-1627547
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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year	
2	Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)	
3	Aggregate value of grants from (during year)	
4	Aggregate value at end of year	
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☐ No	

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1

Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education)

☐ Preservation of an historically important land area

☐ Protection of natural habitat

☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

☐ Preservation of open space

2

Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year
a	Total number of conservation easements
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register

3

Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4

Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5

Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

☐ Yes ☐ No

6

Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7

Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8

Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

9

In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenue included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X

▶ \$ _____

2

If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items

a

Revenue included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

▶ \$ _____

b

Assets included in Form 990, Part X

▶ \$ _____

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Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets *(continued)*

- 3

Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)
- a

☐ Public exhibition

b

☐ Scholarly research

c

☐ Preservation for future generations

d

☐ Loan or exchange programs

e

☐ Other
- 4

Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII
- 5

During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes

☐ No
- b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table
- | | |
|----|--------|
| | Amount |
| 1c | |
| 1d | |
| 1e | |
| 1f | |

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance
- 2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?

☐ Yes

☐ No
- b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

☐

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	b (c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment

b

Permanent endowment

c

Temporarily restricted endowment

The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

(i)

unrelated organizations

3a(i)

Yes

No

(ii)

related organizations

3a(ii)

Yes

No

b

If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

3b

Yes

No

4

Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b)Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		972,195		972,195
b Buildings		5,647,292	1,557,647	4,089,645
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		734,961	202,718	532,243
e Other		2,766,075	762,945	2,003,130
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				7,597,213

Part XI

Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	26,627,163
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-993,459
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	-993,459
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	27,620,622
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	27,620,622

Part XII

Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	24,595,985
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	24,595,985
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	24,595,985

Part XIII

Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2	INCOME TAXES- THE COLLEGE IS RECOGNIZED AS AN ORGANIZATION EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX UNDER SECTION 501(A) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE (THE "CODE") AS AN ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 501(C)(6) WHEREBY ONLY UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME, AS DEFINED BY SECTION 512(A) OF THE CODE, IS SUBJECT TO FEDERAL INCOME TAX. DURING 2015 AND 2014, THE COLLEGE RECORDED TAX EXPENSE OF \$4,354 AND \$784 FROM UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME. THE COLLEGE HAS PAID THE RELATED TAXES FOR THE UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME ACTIVITY, AND THERE ARE NO SIGNIFICANT DEFERRED TAX ASSETS OR LIABILITIES AS OF JUNE 30, 2015 OR 2014. THE COLLEGE HAS EVALUATED ITS TAX POSITIONS AND DETERMINED THAT IT DOES NOT HAVE ANY MATERIAL UNRECOGNIZED TAX BENEFITS OR OBLIGATIONS AS OF JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014. FISCAL YEARS ENDING ON AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2014 REMAIN SUBJECT TO EXAMINATION BY FEDERAL AND STATE TAX AUTHORITIES.

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Schedule I
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Inspection

Name of the organization
AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY INC

Employer identification number
58-1627547

Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

1

Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

☒ Yes ☐ No

2

Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance

2

Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table

3

Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

Part III

Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a)Type of grant or assistance	(b)Number of recipients	(c)Amount of cash grant	(d)Amount of non-cash assistance	(e)Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f)Description of non-cash assistance
(1) TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND FELLOWS CONFERENCE AT THE STATE-OF-THE-ART CLINICAL SYMPOSIUM	90	91,733			
(2) TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH WORKSHOP	72	122,437			
(3) TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND ACR/ARHP ANNUAL MEETING	458	589,671			
(4) DISTINGUISHED FELLOWS AWARD	10	16,894			
(5) ARHP MERIT AWARDS	8	21,500			

Part IV

Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2	THE ACR MAINTAINS DETAILED RECORDS ON ALL GRANTS AND ASSISTANCE GIVEN THROUGH THE FELLOWS FUND, INCLUDING ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERIA FOR ALL APPLICANTS ALL APPLICATIONS UNDERGO REVIEW AT THE COMMITTEE LEVEL, AND SCHOLARSHIPS ARE USED TO SUPPORT EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS ALL RECIPIENTS AGREE TO USE THE FUNDS AS OUTLINED IN THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DISTINGUISHED FELLOWS AWARD EACH YEAR TEN FELLOWS-IN-TRAINING, NOMINATED BY THEIR PROGRAM DIRECTORS, ARE SELECTED TO RECEIVE THIS CELEBRATED AWARD DURING THE ANNUAL MEETING DESIGNED TO ACKNOWLEDGE RHEUMATOLOGY FELLOWS WHO HAVE PERFORMED MERITORIOUSLY IN THE AREAS OF CLINICAL CARE, TEACHING, RESEARCH AND COMMUNITY SERVICE, THIS AWARD HAS IDENTIFIED MANY FUTURE LEADERS AND HAS BECOME AN ACR TRADITION ELIGIBLE FELLOWS FROM ACGME-ACCREDITED RHEUMATOLOGY TRAINING PROGRAMS MUST BE NOMINATED FOR THIS HONOR BY THEIR SUPERVISOR, TRAINING PROGRAM DIRECTOR OR AN ACR MEMBER THE ACR COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS EVALUATES EACH APPLICATION IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS - CURRICULUM VITAE - RESEARCH/ABSTRACT - TEACHING - CLINICAL CARE - COMMUNITY SERVICE THE PROCESS THE ACR FELLOWS EDUCATIONAL FUND PROVIDES RHEUMATOLOGY FELLOWS WITH EXCEPTIONAL RESOURCES AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES EACH FELLOW WHO PARTICIPATES HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN FIRSTHAND FROM NATIONALLY KNOWN RHEUMATOLOGY EXPERTS DURING THE EACH MEETING IN ADDITION, FELLOWS-IN-TRAINING WILL ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO NETWORK AND LEARN FROM OTHER FELLOWS-IN-TRAINING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE ADVERTISED TO RHEUMATOLOGY PROGRAM DIRECTORS, EACH PROGRAM DIRECTOR IS THEN CHARGED WITH SELECTING THE APPROPRIATE FELLOW TO ATTEND A MEETING BASED ON THE FELLOWS AREA OF INTEREST AND LEVEL OF EXPERTISE TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH WORKSHOP THIS COURSE IS A TWO- DAY WORKSHOP DESIGNED TO PROMOTE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN YOUNG AND ESTABLISHED INVESTIGATORS TO FOSTER COLLABORATION AND CAREER MENTORING THE MEETING WILL INCLUDE SCIENTIFIC LECTURES, ORAL ABSTRACT PRESENTATIONS, POSTER SESSIONS AND SCHEDULED TIME FOR INTERACTION WITH SENIOR INVESTIGATORS TO EXCHANGE IDEAS WITH TRAINEES AND OTHER EARLY CAREER INVESTIGATORS THE PROCESS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE ADVERTISED TO ACR/ARHP MEMBERSHIP APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT AS PART OF THEIR APPLICATION AND ABSTRACTS SUBMITTED ARE USED AS THE BASIS FOR AWARDED THE SCHOLARSHIP SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ARE SELECTED BASED ON THE QUALITY OF SCIENCE OF THE ABSTRACT THE ACR EARLY CAREER INVESTIGATORS SUBCOMMITTEE EVALUATES EACH APPLICATION AND SELECTS THE FINAL RECIPIENTS TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND STATE OF THE ART CLINICAL SYMPOSIUM THE PROCESS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE ADVERTISED TO RHEUMATOLOGY PROGRAM DIRECTORS, EACH PROGRAM DIRECTOR IS THEN CHARGED WITH SELECTING THE APPROPRIATE FELLOW TO ATTEND A MEETING BASED ON THE FELLOW'S AREA OF INTEREST AND LEVEL OF EXPERTISE TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND PEDIATRIC RHEUMATOLOGY SYMPOSIUM (OCCURS EVERY THIRD YEAR) THE ACR FELLOWS EDUCATIONAL FUND PROVIDES RHEUMATOLOGY FELLOWS WITH EXCEPTIONAL RESOURCES AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES EACH FELLOW WHO PARTICIPATES HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN FIRSTHAND FROM NATIONALLY KNOWN RHEUMATOLOGY EXPERTS DURING THE EACH MEETING IN ADDITION, FELLOWS-IN-TRAINING WILL ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO NETWORK AND LEARN FROM OTHER FELLOWS-IN-TRAINING THE PROCESS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE ADVERTISED TO RHEUMATOLOGY PROGRAM DIRECTORS, EACH PROGRAM DIRECTOR IS THEN CHARGED WITH SELECTING THE APPROPRIATE FELLOW TO ATTEND A MEETING BASED ON THE FELLOW'S AREA OF INTEREST AND LEVEL OF EXPERTISE
SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2	ARHP MERIT AND APPRECIATION AWARDS THE ASSOCIATION OF RHEUMATOLOGY HEALTH PROFESSIONALS (ARHP), A DIVISION OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY (ACR), IS A PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP SOCIETY COMPOSED OF NON-PHYSICIAN HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS SPECIALIZING IN RHEUMATOLOGY, SUCH AS ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES, NURSES, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS, PHYSICAL THERAPISTS, PSYCHOLOGISTS, SOCIAL WORKERS, EPIDEMIOLOGISTS, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, EDUCATORS, CLINICIANS, RESEARCHERS, RESEARCH COORDINATORS AND OFFICE STAFF EACH YEAR DURING THE ACR/ARHP ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, THE ARHP RECOGNIZES NINE NOMINATED MEMBERS BY AWARDED THEM THE FOLLOWING MERIT AND APPRECIATION AWARDS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IS PRESENTED TO A CURRENT OR FORMER MEMBER OF ARHP WHOSE CAREER HAS DEMONSTRATED A SUSTAINED AND LASTING CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIELD OF RHEUMATOLOGY AND RHEUMATOLOGY HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AWARD AMOUNT IS \$5,000 ADDIE THOMAS SERVICE AWARD IS PRESENTED IN HONOR OF OUR ASSOCIATIONS FIRST PRESIDENT AND RECOGNIZES AN ARHP MEMBER WHO HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER INVOLVED WITH LOCAL, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL ARTHRITIS-RELATED ACTIVITIES AWARD AMOUNT IS \$3,000 ANN KUNKEL ADVOCACY AWARD IS PRESENTED TO AN ARHP MEMBER WHO HAS PROVIDED EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE TO ADVOCATE FOR PATIENTS WITH ARTHRITIS/RHEUMATIC DISEASES OR FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS IN RHEUMATOLOGY AWARD AMOUNT IS \$3,000 DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR AWARD IS PRESENTED TO AN ARHP MEMBER WHO DEMONSTRATES EXCEPTIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS IN SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES PERTINENT TO ARTHRITIS AND THE RHEUMATIC DISEASES AWARD AMOUNT IS \$3,000 MASTER CLINICIAN AWARD IS PRESENTED TO AN ARHP MEMBER WHO HAS WHO IS ENGAGED IN CLINICAL PRACTICE AND DEMONSTRATES OUTSTANDING CLINICAL EXPERTISE IN ARTHRITIS AND THE RHEUMATIC DISEASES AWARD AMOUNT IS \$3,000 MASTER EDUCATOR AWARD IS PRESENTED TO AN ARHP MEMBER WHO HAS DEMONSTRATED SUSTAINED EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING OF HEALTH PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS, MEDICAL STUDENTS, RESIDENTS, GRADUATE STUDENTS, AND/OR FELLOWS, WITH THEIR PRIMARY FOCUS BEING RHEUMATOLOGY RELATED CONTENT AWARD AMOUNT IS \$3,000 ARHP PRESIDENT'S AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE ARHP OR ACR MEMBER OR TEAM PERFORMING OUTSTANDING SERVICE WITHIN THE PRESENT YEAR IN ADVANCING THE GOALS, IDEALS, AND STANDARDS OF ARHP AWARD AMOUNT IS \$0 ARHP MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT AWARD IS PRESENTED TO ONE ARHP AND ONE ACR MEMBER WHO HAVE RECRUITED THE MOST MEMBERS IN THE CURRENT YEAR AWARD AMOUNT IS \$500 EACH FOR TWO AWARDEES GRADUATE STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARD IS AWARDED TO TWO HEALTH PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS, OF ARHP MEMBERS, WHO ARE RECOGNIZED FOR CREATIVE RESEARCH OR CLINICAL PROJECT EFFORTS THAT MERGE THEORY AND CLINICAL PRACTICE IN ASSESSING AND OR IMPROVING THE LIVES OF PATIENTS WITH RHEUMATIC DISEASES THIS AWARD WAS CREATED TO ENCOURAGE THE INTEREST OF NON-PHYSICIAN GRADUATE STUDENTS IN THE FIELD OF RHEUMATOLOGY AWARD AMOUNT IS \$500 EACH FOR TWO AWARDEES THE PROCESS ALL ARHP MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO NOMINATE THEMSELVES OR ANOTHER ARHP MEMBER FOR THE ABOVE AWARDS NOMINEES MUST COMPLETE A NOMINATION FORM, AND INCLUDE A LETTER OF SUPPORT, AND THEIR RESUME/VITA NOMINATIONS DEADLINE IS MARCH 1 THE ARHP MEMBERSHIP & NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE SELECTS EACH AWARDEE AFTER REVIEWING THEIR NOMINATION MATERIALS AGAINST THE AWARD CRITERIA AWARDEES ARE ANNOUNCED BY MAY 1

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I

Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items ☐ First-class or charter travel ☒ Travel for companions ☐ Tax idemnification and gross-up payments ☒ Discretionary spending account ☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use ☐ Payments for business use of personal residence ☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees ☐ Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)		
b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1bYes	
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2Yes	
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III ☒ Compensation committee ☒ Independent compensation consultant ☐ Form 990 of other organizations ☒ Written employment contract ☒ Compensation survey or study ☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization		
a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?	4a	No
b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	4b	No
c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III	4c	No
Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.		
5 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of		
a The organization?	5a	
b Any related organization? If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III	5b	
6 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of		
a The organization?	6a	
b Any related organization? If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III	6b	
7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III	7	
8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53 4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	8	
9 If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53 4958-6(c)?	9	

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii) Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column(B) reported as deferred in prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 MARK ANDREJSKI, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	477,702	0	13,079	29,666	44,930	565,377	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 COLLEEN MERKEL, VP OPERATIONS AND FINANCE	(i)	137,824	0	7,235	13,915	18,536	177,510	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 STEVE BLEVINS, VP INFORMATION SYSTEMS	(i)	127,933	0	1,032	11,130	10,266	150,361	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 RACHEL MYSLINSKI, VP , PRACTICE, ADVOCACY & Q	(i)	141,283	0	192	13,765	18,487	173,727	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II

Also complete this part for any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 1A	THE ORGANIZATION'S VOLUNTEER POLICY ALLOWS THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPLIMENTARY SPOUSE/PARTNER TRAVEL FOR 3 MEETINGS TO BE USED ANYTIME DURING THE OFFICIAL YEAR ONE MEETING CAN BE INTERNATIONAL DURING THE YEAR THE ORGANIZATION COVERED THE COST FOR TWO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND THEIR SPOUSES TO ATTEND THE EULAR CONGRESS IN ROME, ITALY THE ORGANIZATION ALSO COVERED THE COST FOR ONE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER AND THEIR SPOUSE TO ATTEND THE 30TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE INDIAN RHEUMATOLOY ASSOCIATION IN CHANDIGARH, INDIA

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

**Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.**

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

**▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at
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**Return
Reference**

Explanation

FORM 990,
PART VI,
SECTION A,
LINE 1

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS THE AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE THE POWERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, DURING THE INTERVALS BETWEEN MEETINGS OF THE BOARD, IN THE MANAGEMENT AND DIRECTION OF THE OPERATIONS, BUSINESS, AND AFFAIRS OF THE ACR, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW OR THE BYLAWS THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR EVALUATING ANNUALLY THE PERFORMANCE AND EXPECTATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT AND ALL ACR STAFF MEMBERS, INCLUDING SALARIES AND FRINGE BENEFITS ACTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ARE REPORTED TO THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT THE NEXT MEETING THEREOF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTS THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WHICH CONSISTS OF THE PRESIDENT, THE PRESIDENT-ELECT, THE VICE-PRESIDENT, THE SECRETARY AND THE TREASURER

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	A DRAFT COPY OF THE FORM 990 WAS SENT TO THE FULL BOARD FOR THEIR REVIEW AND COMMENT PRIOR TO FILING OF THE RETURN THE QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD OF THE MEETING WAS HELD WITH ASSISTANCE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT, OPERATIONS AND FINANCE, AND THE TAX PREPARER AND WAS DOCUMENTED IN THE MINUTES THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT SIGNED THE RETURN AFTER CONSIDERING COMMENTS

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	ANNUAL SUBMISSION OF DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IS REQUIRED BY ALL OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS, JOURNAL EDITORS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS, COMMITTEE, TASK FORCE MEMBERS AND SENIOR STAFF TO DISCLOSE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS. ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO GIVES NOTICE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICT IS TO ABSTAIN FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS WHICH BECOMES BEFORE THE BOARD.

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	THE PROCESS OF DETERMINING COMPENSATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT INCLUDES REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COLLEGE, USE OF DATA AS TO COMPARABLE COMPENSATION, AND CONTEMPORANEOUS DOCUMENTATION AND RECORDKEEPING. THE PROCESS OF DETERMINING COMPENSATION FOR ALL OTHER COLLEGE EMPLOYEES IS DETERMINED BY THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT WITH THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES USES COMPARABILITY DATA TO DEVELOP COMPENSATION RANGES AND TARGETS. THE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES CONTEMPORANEOUSLY DOCUMENTS AND MAINTAINS CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS OF ALL DECISIONS AFFECTING COLLEGE EMPLOYEES.

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE ORGANIZATION MAKES IT GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST AND ON THE ORGANIZATION'S WEBSITE

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G	PROFESSIONAL FEES 4,090,181 HONORARIUM 810,678 TEMP EMPLOYEE 387,514 COMPUTER CONSULTING 137,378

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C	THE PROCESS HAS NOT CHANGED FROM THE PRIOR YEAR

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 926	AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY, INC EIN 58-1627547 FISCAL YEAR END JUNE 30, 2015 STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 1 6038B-1T BY AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY, INC AS REQUIRED PER UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION 1 6038B-1T, AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY, INC, THE TRANSFEROR CORPORATION, DISCLOSES THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE TRANSFER OF CASH/PROPERTY TO GROSVENOR INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND, LTD, THE TRANSFEREE CORPORATION IN PARAGRAPHS THAT CORRESPOND TO UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION 1 6038B-1T(C) AND (D) (C)(1) TRANSFEROR AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY, INC EIN 58-1627547 ADDRESS 1800 CENTURY PLACE, SUITE 250, ATLANTA, GA 30345 (C)(2) (I) TRANSFEREE GROSVENOR INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND, LTD EIN FOREIGN ADDRESS P O BOX 309, UGLAND HOUSE, GRAND CAYMAN, CAYMAN ISLANDS (II) DESCRIPTION OF TRANSFER AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY, INC TRANSFERRED CASH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$578,879 TO GROSVENOR INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND, LTD, IN A TRANSACTION THAT QUALIFIES UNDER IRC 351 (C)(3) CONSIDERATION RECEIVED A 0 0000% INTEREST IN GROSVENOR INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND, LTD (C)(4) PROPERTY TRANSFERRED (I) ACTIVE BUSINESS PROPERTY - NOT APPLICABLE (II) STOCK OR SECURITIES NOT APPLICABLE (III) DEPRECIATED PROPERTY NOT APPLICABLE (IV) PROPERTY TO BE LEASED NOT APPLICABLE (V) PROPERTY TO BE SOLD - NOT APPLICABLE (VI) TRANSFERS TO FOREIGN SALES CORPORATION - NOT APPLICABLE (VII) TAINTED PROPERTY NOT APPLICABLE A INVENTORY, ETC PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN 1 367(A)-5T(B) - NOT APPLICABLE B INSTALLMENT OBLIGATIONS, ETC PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN 1 367(A)-5T(C)- NOT APPLICABLE C FOREIGN CURRENCY, ETC PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN 1 367(A)-5T(D)- NOT APPLICABLE D INTANGIBLE PROPERTY PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN 1 367(A)-5T (E)- NOT APPLICABLE E LEASED PROPERTY PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN 1 367(A)-4T(F)- NOT APPLICABLE (VIII) FOREIGN LOSS BRANCH - NOT APPLICABLE (IX) OTHER INTANGIBLES NOT APPLICABLE (C)(5) TRANSFER OF FOREIGN BRANCH WITH PREVIOUSLY DEDUCTED LOSSES NOT APPLICABLE (C)(6) APPLICATION OF SECTION 367(A)(5)- NOT APPLICABLE (D) TRANSFER SUBJECT TO SECTION 367(D) NOT APPLICABLE

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Information about Schedule R (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.					
(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.							
(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH FOUNDATION 2200 LAKE BOULEVARD NE ATLANTA, GA 30319 58-1654301	TO SUPPORT RESEARCH AND TRAINING OF RHEUMATIC DISEASES	IL	501(C)(3)	LINE 7			No

Part III

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income(related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512- 514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproporionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part IV

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end- of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512 (b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

Part V

Transactions With Related Organizations

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule

1During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

aReceipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity

bGift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)

cGift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)

dLoans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)

eLoans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)

fDividends from related organization(s)

gSale of assets to related organization(s)

hPurchase of assets from related organization(s)

iExchange of assets with related organization(s)

jLease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)

kLease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)

lPerformance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)

mPerformance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)

nSharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)

oSharing of paid employees with related organization(s)

pReimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses

qReimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses

rOther transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)

sOther transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)

Yes

No

1a

No

1b

No

1c

Yes

1d

No

1e

No

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No

1g

No

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No

1i

No

1j

No

1k

No

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Yes

1m

No

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Yes

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Yes

1p

Yes

1q

Yes

1r

Yes

1s

No

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH FOUNDATION	C	31,213	CASH
(2) RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH FOUNDATION	L	2,128,389	CASH
(3) RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH FOUNDATION	C	426,719	CASH

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Part VI **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.
Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part VII

Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions)

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, SCHEDULE R, PART V, LINE 2	THE MANAGEMENT FEE OF \$2,128,389 REPRESENTS PAYMENT FROM RELATED ORGANIZATION RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH FOUNDATION FOR SHARED EMPLOYEES, SHARED SPACE, AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES