

BENEFITS PACKAGE

Outstanding benefits are among the many rewards of working for UC. We offer a full range of health and retirement savings plans, including a choice between a pension and a 401(k)-style plan. UC's benefits are recognized as being among the best available, representing as much as 40 percent of your total annual compensation depending on your type of appointment. Benefits are also fully portable within the UC system.

HEALTH CARE

- Medical plans: choose from among several plans to tailor your medical care protection to the needs of you and your family
- Dental plans
- Vision plan

DISABILITY INSURANCE

- UC-paid short-term disability insurance: limited employer-paid temporary disability coverage
- Optional employee-paid voluntary short-term or long-term disability insurance: provides expanded protection during pregnancy, extended disabling illness or injury

LIFE AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE

- UC-paid basic life insurance
- Optional employee-paid supplemental insurance
- Additional life and accident insurance for yourself and family members
- UC-paid business travel accident insurance

TAX-SAVINGS PROGRAMS

- Health flexible spending account
- Dependent care flexible spending account
- Pre-tax payroll deductions for monthly medical plan premiums
- Voluntary UC Retirement Savings Program

OTHER PLANS AND PROGRAMS

- Employee-paid legal plan
- Auto, homeowner and renter insurance (offered through an affiliated vendor)
- ScholarShare: California 529 Plan to establish a college savings trust by payroll deduction

LEAVE PROVISIONS

- 13 paid holidays per year
- Sick leave
- 15 to 24 vacation days per year, based on years of service
- Baby-bonding leave
- Paid military leave
- Other paid and unpaid leaves (Eligibility for some leaves depends on appointment type)

LOCAL PRIVILEGES, SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

- Recreation, sports and fitness centers
- Free or discounted admission to cultural and athletic events
- Library and bookstore privileges
- Computer center privileges
- Housing and rental assistance
- Credit unions
- Parking and transportation services
- Childcare and early childhood education programs

RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The UC Retirement Choice Program offers eligible employees a choice of primary (required) retirement benefits, with costs shared by you and UC. Pension Choice is a defined benefit plan in which benefits are based on age, years of UC service and salary. Savings Choice is a 401(k)-style defined contribution plan, with mandatory employee pretax contributions and contributions from UC.

UC also offers voluntary options, for employees who want to build additional retirement savings.

UC RETIREMENT CHOICE PROGRAM

Pension Choice and Savings Choice both help you build valuable retirement income in addition to Social Security benefits and any savings you may have. Here's an overview of how each option works:

Pension Choice

- Lifetime monthly retirement income
- Depending on your salary and/or job type, may also include a supplemental defined contribution account
- The option to provide survivor income
- Disability income: pre-retirement monthly income for eligible members who become totally and permanently disabled

Savings Choice

- Tax-deferred retirement savings plan account, similar to a 401(k)
- Account's value depends on contributions plus investment performance
- The option to roll over your vested balance, if any, to another employer's retirement plan or IRA if you leave UC

Regardless of which option you choose, you may also be eligible to continue your UC-sponsored medical, dental, vision and legal coverage when you retire, with UC paying a portion of the monthly premium for medical and dental coverage, depending on your qualifications and plan.

VOLUNTARY UC RETIREMENT SAVINGS PROGRAM

You can add to your retirement security while taking advantage of deferred taxes by participating in the voluntary Retirement Savings Program. The Program comprises three plans to which you can contribute:

- Tax-Deferred 403(b) Plan
- 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan
- Defined Contribution (DC) Plan

You can choose to invest in a diverse selection of UC-monitored fund options as well as other non-UC monitored investments and mutual funds. You may contribute to either the 403(b) or the 457(b) Plan, or both at the same time. Each plan has the same annual maximum contribution limit, but they are separate plans—you can double the amount of your annual tax-deferred contributions by participating in both.

The DC Plan is available for after-tax contributions and contains some required contributions as well.

UNION EMPLOYEES

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Some university positions are subject to union representation and collective bargaining under the Higher Education Employer-Employee Relations Act (HEERA). Certain terms and conditions of employment for those positions, which may include benefits provisions, are subject to the bargaining process. Your recruiter or hiring department can tell you whether your position is subject to a UC union contract.

RESOURCES

LOCAL ASSISTANCE AND SERVICES

Your location's Human Resources and/or Benefits Office

Your departmental or divisional personnel/benefits assistant

RESOURCES

UC employee website:

ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu

A Complete Guide to Your UC Health Benefits

ucal.us/healthguide

A Complete Guide to Your UC Retirement Benefits

ucal.us/guidetoretirementben

Personnel Policies for Staff Members:

ucal.us/PPSM

Collective Bargaining Agreements:

ucal.us/laborrelations

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The Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA) provides for continued coverage for a certain period of time at applicable monthly COBRA rates if you, your spouse, or your dependents lose group medical, dental, or vision coverage because you terminate employment (for reasons other than gross misconduct); your work hours are reduced below the eligible status for these benefits; you die, divorce, or are legally separated; or a child ceases to be an eligible dependent. Note: The continuation period is calculated from the earliest of these qualifying events and runs concurrently with any other UC options for continued coverage. See your Benefits Representative for more information.

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Benefits of Belonging

Working at UC means helping to shape the quality of life for people throughout California and around the world. No other university does as much for so many.

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