

2001 STAFF PROGRAM

Harvard pays the full cost of this retirement program, based on your age and eligible compensation, and you will generally receive contributions retroactive to your hire date upon becoming eligible. You are enrolled automatically, but you choose where contributions are invested. You should also designate beneficiaries for your account.

ELIGIBILITY

- Members of the administrative and professional staff, non-bargaining unit support staff or HUCTW who are regular staff or hourly employees (on a regular payroll and scheduled to work at least 17.5 hours per week) will receive contributions retroactive to date of hire after 6 months of eligibility service and attainment of age 21.
- If you are not a regular staff or hourly employee, you will begin participating in the program after you complete one year of eligibility service (1,000 hours of service) and reach age 21, but you will not receive retroactive contributions.

You will receive enrollment information with more details shortly before your waiting period ends.

HARVARD CONTRIBUTION

Harvard contributes to your plan as follows:

- **Under age 40:** an amount equal to 5% of your eligible pay, up to the Social Security wage base (\$184,500 in 2026), and 10% for earnings above the wage base, up to the IRS limits in place for that year (\$360,000 in 2026).
- **Age 40 and over:** an amount equal to 10% of your eligible pay, up to the Social Security wage base and 15% for earnings above the wage base, up to the IRS limits in place for that year.

You decide how this contribution should be invested from among a carefully chosen lineup of mutual funds from Vanguard and Schwab and annuities from TIAA. If you make no other election, this contribution will automatically be invested in a Vanguard target-date fund closest to the year you turn 65. TIAA is the plan's recordkeeper.

Vesting

The vesting period is three years of vesting service. However, you will be 100% vested if, while you are still employed by the University, you reach age 65, become totally disabled (as defined by the plan) or die.

Accessing retirement funds

If you are vested when you leave Harvard, you can receive the University's accumulated contributions, plus any earnings on those amounts. The plan provides a variety of payment options. Your benefits are taxable to you when you receive them as income.

Beneficiaries

It is very important that you designate a beneficiary(s) for your benefit online at [TIAA.org/Harvard](https://www.tiaa.org/Harvard) or by calling 800-527-1398. You should review your beneficiary information periodically to ensure that it reflects any family or personal changes.

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