## Benefits at a Glance – Support Staff
Temporary Relief Term > 6 months: Part-time or Full-time (0.40 FTE to 1.00 FTE)

**Effective July 16, 2022**

### Extended Health Care

**Benefit Year:** January 1 – December 31

*Extended Health care is subject to Alberta Blue Cross inside maximums, limitations, and exclusions:*  
- 100% Prescription drugs  
- Generic pricing  
- $25 annual deductible, $6.50 dispensing fee cap per prescription  
- 100% Hospital accommodation  
- 100% Ambulance service  
- 100% Paramedical practitioners; 80% Psychologist  
- 100% Eye examinations ($40/24 months)  
- 100% Out of province emergency medical

**Effective:** Date of Hire

**Mandatory participation**

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### Dental

**Benefit Year:** April 1 – March 31

*Dental coverage is subject to the current Alberta Blue Cross Usual and Customary Fee Schedule:*  
- 80% Basic dental services  
- 65% Extensive dentistry  
- $1,500 combined maximum per person per benefit year  
- 65% Periodontic dentistry  
- Lifetime maximum of $1,500 per person  
- 50% Orthodontics  
- Lifetime maximum of $1,500 per dependent child under age 19

**Effective:** 6 months from Date of Hire

**Mandatory participation**

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### Flexible Spending Account

**Benefit Year:** July 1 – June 30

Eligible employees receive flexible spending credits based on their FTE to allocate to a Health Spending Account (HSA), a Wellness Spending Account (WSA), or both. Unused credits may be carried forward for one benefit year after the year in which the credits are advanced.

#### Health Spending Account (Non-Taxable)

- Benefit may be used for employee and eligible dependents. Provides for reimbursement of medically related expenses not covered by provincial health care or which exceed the plan maximums.

#### Wellness Spending Account (Taxable)

- Benefit is limited to expenses for the employee only. Covers eligible non-medical expenses and wellness-related activities which promote the health and well-being of the employee.

**Effective:** Date of Hire

**Annual Credit Allocation:** Provided at no cost to the employee

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Credits are prorated for staff members who are hired after the new benefit year starts.

- $100 minimum credit allocation to HSA and WSA if employee chooses both.

### Long Term Disability

*Long Term Disability benefit coverage is not available to this employee group*

### Group Life Insurance

In the event of death, the employee’s designated beneficiary will receive a lump sum payment of 2 times the employee’s annual salary. Maximum benefit is $175,000.

**Effective:** 6 months from Date of Hire

**Mandatory participation**

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### Optional Life Insurance

- Additional life insurance can be purchased for both the staff member and their spouse in units of $1,000 to a maximum of $300,000. Medical evidence of insurability is required.

**100% Employee paid**

- Based on age, gender, smoker/non-smoker status, and the amount of insurance requested.

### Child Optional Life Insurance

- Optional child life insurance can be purchased in units of $5,000, $10,000 or $15,000 per dependent child.

**100% Employee paid**

- $5,000 – $1.10  
- $10,000 – $2.20  
- $15,000 – $3.30

*Cost sharing of premiums between the Governors and staff members would be implemented where an increase to these costs exceeds the rates outlined in the Collective Agreement between the Governors of the University of Calgary and Alberta Union of Provincial Employees Local 52.*

**Updated: July 11, 2022**
## Pension

**Public Service Pension Plan (PSPP) [pspp.ca]**

- **Description**: Defined Benefit pension plan provides monthly benefit after retirement based on average salary (to pensionable salary caps) and pensionable service.
- **Eligibility**: Participation continues until termination of employment or the employee moves into an ineligible employment category. Visit the [PSPP website](http://pspp.ca) for more information.
- **Employee and University Contribution Rates**:
  - Yearly Maximum Pensionable Earnings ("YMPE")
  - 2021 YMPE: $64,900
  - The University of Calgary matches the Employee’s contributions
  - Employee Contribution Rates as of January 1, 2022:
    - 9.60% on salary up to the YMPE plus
    - 13.70% on salary above the YMPE

## Other Programs

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<td><strong>Tuition Support Program</strong></td>
<td>Temporary Relief employees are not eligible to receive Tuition Support or Fee Waiver.</td>
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<td><strong>Vacation</strong></td>
<td>Vacation leave balances accrue on a monthly basis from the date of hire.</td>
<td>Effective: Date of Hire</td>
<td>3 weeks per year</td>
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| **Sick Leave**                   | Sick leave coverage provides Support Staff with income when absent from work due to non-occupational illness or injury. Depending on the situation, medical documentation may be required. | Effective: Date of Hire          | 130 Days of sick leave per calendar year.  
  - Illness within the first 3 months: paid at 70% salary  
  - Illness after 3 months up to 1 year of service: 20 days paid at 100% salary and 110 days at 70% salary  
  - Number of days paid at 100% salary increases with each year of employment |
| **WellBeing and WorkLife**       | Access to resources and services to aid in proactively managing your work and personal life. | Effective: Date of Hire          | Benefit is provided at no cost to the employee. |
| **Employee and Family Assistance Plan (EFAP) [homeweb.ca]** | EFAP is a confidential service available to you and your family members. Support is available over the phone and off-site, providing referrals to resources, services, and support in the employee’s community. | Effective: Date of Hire          | Benefit is provided at no cost to the employee. |

**NOTE**: This document is intended only as a general summary of group benefits, pension and other programs offered through employment with the University of Calgary. Group benefit coverage is governed by the contract between plan providers and the Governors of the University of Calgary. Pension is governed in accordance with the provisions of the Public Service Pension Plan. Other programs are governed by specific University Policy. In the event of any variation between the information in this document and the provisions within the governing documents, the governing documents will prevail.

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