



SUMMARY OF FULL-TIME SUPPORT STAFF BENEFITS

EMPLOYER-PROVIDED BENEFITS

Health Insurance

The University provides group medical, prescription, dental, and vision coverage to full-time staff employees. Coverage is effective on the date of hire, provided proper enrollment procedures are completed. The University also permits, under certain conditions, employees to choose between participating in the University’s group health insurance program or waiving the coverage.

Employee Healthcare Contributions

Medical - PPO			
	<i>Annually</i>	<i>18 Pays</i>	<i>24 Pays</i>
Employee	\$1,750.09	\$97.23	\$72.92
Employee + Child(ren)	\$3,800.26	\$211.13	\$158.34
Employee + Spouse	\$4,725.30	\$262.52	\$196.89
Family	\$8,750.90	\$486.16	\$364.62

Medical - HDHP			
	<i>Annually</i>	<i>18 Pays</i>	<i>24 Pays</i>
Employee	\$850.06	\$47.23	\$35.42
Employee + Child(ren)	\$2,018.88	\$112.16	\$84.12
Employee + Spouse	\$2,677.65	\$148.76	\$111.57
Family	\$5,578.72	\$309.93	\$232.45

An overview of the healthcare plan is provided during an individual’s benefit orientation

Basic Life Insurance

The university provides a Basic Life Insurance policy for all full-time support staff in the amount equal to 2.5 (x) the base annual salary. The policy includes an Accidental Death & Dismemberment benefit that pays an additional 2.5 times the base salary benefit in the case of an accidental death. The coverage is effective on the date of hire, provided proper enrollment procedures are complete and the employee is actively at work. Please note: While the University pays the life insurance premium, each employee must pay tax (payroll deducted) on the value of insurance that exceeds \$50,000.

**Ohio Public Employees
Retirement System (OPERS)
Or Alternative Retirement
Plan (ARP)**

University employment is not covered under Social Security. Rather, full-time administrative employees have the choice between electing a retirement plan through the state-sponsored Ohio Public Employment Retirement System (OPERS) or an Alternative Retirement Plan (ARP) which is administered by private investment companies. Contributions to the OPERS or an ARP are mandatory at the present time. There is a 120-day election period to enroll. Current vendors approved by the State Department of Insurance for the ARP are AXA Equitable, AIG Retirement Services, TIAA, and Voya (subject to change). Current employee and employer contribution rates are shown below.

Effective 7/1/17	OPERS State Retirement	Alternative Retirement Plan
Employee Contribution	10.00%	10.00%
SSU Retirement Contribution	14.00%	11.56%
OPERS Mitigating Rate		2.44%

Sick leave

Full-time support staff employees are granted 120 hours of sick leave per year, accrued at 4.62 hours per pay period. Employees may transfer into his/her University sick leave account any accumulated, documented, and verified sick leave balance that has been accumulated in the public service in the State of Ohio, provided that his/her re-employment takes place within ten (10) years of the date on which the employee was last terminated from public service. This does not apply to employees on temporary contracts.

Vacation leave

Full-time support staff employees accrue vacation hours beginning at 7 days per year (2.15 hours per pay period). Article 9 of the CWA agreement provides for graduated accruals based upon years of continuous service with the University. This does not apply to employees on temporary contracts.

Personal Day

Bargaining unit employees who regularly work thirty-two (32) hours per week, who have completed their new-hire probationary period shall be granted one (1) day of paid personal leave per contract year. This does not apply to employees on temporary contracts.

Tuition Waiver

The university provides fee waivers to employees, their spouses, and dependent children (24 years of age or younger). Employees may take up to two courses not to exceed 6 credit hours per semester. Spouses and children have a maximum allowance of 160 semester hours, 240 quarter hours, or the equivalent combination of quarter and semester hours. Enrollment follows our regular registration process that is available to the general student body. This does not apply to employees on temporary contracts.

Athletic Center

The James A. Rhodes Sports Center is FREE for active full-time employees and immediate family members. (Spouse and dependent children age 14 and older)

Library

Our Library is available to you and your family members during their normal operating hours.

Parking

On-campus parking for faculty & staff parking is available for \$150 per year. This can be paid as a lump sum one-time payment or set up through payroll deduction. An employee can opt-out and park off campus. Parking permits may be obtained from the Department of Public Safety by completing the Parking Permit Election Form at [University Parking Regulations | Shawnee State](#).

Direct Deposit/PayCard

University employees are paid on a biweekly basis. Paychecks are direct deposited to any bank of your choice or you may have your pay deposited to the U.S. Bank PayCard offered in Human Resources.

Safety & Security

For campus safety and security information please refer to www.shawnee.edu. Under Offices, select Public Safety. Important Links are located here, such as Security and Fire Safety Report, Emergency Contact Information, Swipe Card Access and CSA Clery information.

VOLUNTARY BENEFITS

Supplemental Retirement Annuities

Employees can set aside additional retirement savings on a pre or post tax basis through a qualified Annuity (403(b) plan) or Deferred Compensation (457b) plan. Voluntary contributions are payroll deducted. Interested employees must sign a Salary Reduction Agreement and contact one of the following vendors:

403(b) Plan	AIG Retirement Services AXA-Equitable	VOYA TIAA
457 Plan	AIG Retirement Services AXA-Equitable Ohio Deferred Compensation	VOYA TIAA

Flexible Spending Account This voluntary benefit allows employees who elect the PPO Plan to set aside money on a tax-free basis to be used for out-of-pocket medical expenses. Enrollment is offered upon hire or during an annual Open Enrollment period. Limited purpose (LPFSA) and Dependent Care flexible spending (DCFSA) accounts are also offered to employees who elected the HDHP plan.

Health Savings Account The health savings account (HSA) is available to employees who elect the High Deductible Health Plan (PPO with HSA option). The money in this account is tax exempt, belongs to you and can be used to pay or reimburse for certain medical expenses. For 2024, Shawnee State will make an employer contribution into the HSA

account for all employee groups as follows: \$500 for employees with Single coverage, \$800 for employees with Employee +1 coverage, and \$1000 for employees with Family coverage.

Long-Term Disability

Long-term Disability Insurance is available and premiums are payroll deducted. Employees can choose between four plans (varying between benefit duration and elimination periods). Premium is based on the employee's age and the plan type selected. This coverage is offered through Unum.

Voluntary Life Insurance

Additional life insurance coverage is available for full-time employees, spouses and eligible dependents. These voluntary life insurance policies are available via payroll deduction through Securian Life Insurance Company. They offer a guaranteed issue policy (up to \$150,000) for the employee if enrolled within the first 30 days of employment. These policies are renewable term life policies with an annual \$50,000 guaranteed increase benefit option. Premium is based upon the amount of coverage and age.

* Annual open enrollment periods are provided. However, it is important that you know if you decline coverage within your first 30 days of employment you will be required to provide evidence of insurability to apply for coverage during future annual open enrollment periods. Other restrictions will apply as well.

**Whole Life, Accident,
Critical Illness/Cancer**

Whole life insurance, accident, critical illness/cancer coverage is available for employees, spouses, and eligible dependents. These voluntary policies are available via payroll deduction through ManhattanLife.

DISCLAIMER: The above information is intended solely as a summary and should not be construed as a guarantee of a specific benefit. University-provided benefits are subject to change according to appropriate labor agreement revisions, Board of Trustee policies, or legislative/regulatory changes in law.

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