## **DESIGNATION OF RETIREMENT PLAN ELECTION Higher Education Employment Only**

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER RETIREMENT SERVICES DIVISION

General Instructions: This form is to be completed for all employees hired in an institution of higher education or the board of higher education central office only.

This form must be completed by the employing agency in conjunction with the employee, signed by both the employee and agency staff in Section IV and returned to the Retirement Services Division as soon as possible following the individual's employment date or effective date of any change.

CHECK TYPES OF ACTIONS BEING SUBMITTED ON THIS FORM **AGENCY** TRANSFER TO OR FROM **CHANGE IN RETIREMENT** EMPLOYEE RE-EMPLOYED MULTIPLE **EMPLOYMENT TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY STATUS** HAZARDOUS DUTY I. EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INFORMATION EMPLOYEE NO. LAST NAME M.I. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER DATE OF BIRTH GENDER MALE FEMALE FIRST NAME ADDRESS (Street No., Name) (City, State, Zip Code) MARITAL STATUS MARRIED | DATE OF MARRIAGE NAME OF SPOUSE SINGLE DO YOU HAVE A PENSION DIVISION ORDER ("QDRO") AS A RESULT OF DIVORCE/LEGAL SEPARATION? YES NO  $\square$ YES IF YES, HAS THE ORDER BEEN SUBMITTED TO AND ACCEPTED BY THE RETIREMENT SERVICES DIVISION? NO  $\square$ **II. EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION EMPLOYING AGENCY** RECORD NUMBER AGENCY ADDRESS EMPLOYMENT DATE/EFFECTIVE DATE BARG UNIT CORE-CT JOB CODE **EMPLOYMENT STATUS** TYPE STATUS Full-time Part-time Permanent Temporary Durational Intermittent IS EMPLOYEE CURRENTLY EMPLOYED WITH ANOTHER STATE AGENCY? YES If YES, provide Agency Name NO  $\square$ HAS EMPLOYEE WORKED FOR THE STATE BEFORE? YES  $\square$ If YES, provide Agency Name and termination date NO  $\square$ 

## III. RETIREMENT INFORMATION

As a condition of employment with the State of Connecticut, all faculty and staff members must participate in a retirement plan with the exception of part-time Adjunct Faculty members. Part-time Adjunct Faculty members may elect to waive retirement plan membership.

Classified employees in higher education automatically become members of the State Employees Retirement System (SERS).

Unclassified employees must make a one-time irrevocable election of retirement plan membership. Serious consideration must be given to the election of a retirement plan, as it is an irrevocable decision. Election must be made by the first day of employment. The proper retirement plan contributions must be deducted from the employee's first paycheck.

Special note: If you elect the ARP, Hybrid or TRS and are subsequently employed in a position ineligible for participation in these plans, you will automatically begin participation in SERS.

See page 2 for retirement plan election choices.

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Please review Retirement Options for Higher Education employees on the OSC website at osc.ct.gov.  Please indicate your irrevocable retirement plan election below.			
	Option 1 - State Employees Retirement System		
	(select applicable Tier) ☐ Tier I ☐ Tier II ☐ Tier IIA ☐ Tier III ☐ T Hazardous Duty? ☐ Yes ☐ No	ier IV	
	Option 2 - Alternate Retirement Program (ARP)		
	☐ Employee contribution 5%		
	or ☐ Employee contribution 6.5% (default)		
	Option 3 - State Employees Retirement System Hybrid Plan (Hybrid)		
	Option 4 - Teachers Retirement System (TRS)		
	Option 5 - Waiver (part-time adjuncts only)		
	Ineligible for retirement plan membership Reason:		
IV. MEMBER'S STATEMENT			
Please note: If this form is not received by your Human Resources office by the first day of employment, you will be defaulted into a retirement plan based on your bargaining unit. This default is irrevocable.  I understand that this is an irrevocable decision, and I cannot, at a later date, choose to participate in another plan.			
EMPI	LOYEE'S SIGNATURE	EMPLOYEE NUMBER	DATE
AUTH	HORIZED AGENCY SIGNATURE (& TITLE)	PHONE	DATE
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Forward completed form to: Retirement Services Division, Customer Service Center, 55 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106. Agency should retain one copy and provide one copy to employee.

This form must be accompanied by Form CO-999 "Designation of Retirement Plan Beneficiary".