Life without a Day Job

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Today’s Agenda

→ What is retirement?
→ Stages of retirement
→ University approaches
→ Information from TIAA CREF
→ Information from Benefits
→ Q&A with Emeritus Council representatives
So far you have …

→ Cultivated a lifelong professional identity demonstrated by your achievements in:
  • Teaching
  • Scholarship
  • Service to your profession

→ While this process does not look the same for all long-term faculty, many reach a point in which they start searching for “What is next?” with retirement as one potential choice.
“Retirement for many faculty is social death, or at least they’re afraid that it is.”

Kathleen Christensen, quoting University of Virginia president Teresa Sullivan
“Aging Professoriate”

ACE (2011) reports that complex and diverse reasons underlie aging faculty members’ reluctance to retire:

→ **Financial.** After the recession depleted many retirement savings accounts, many professors are concerned about financial security in retirement.

→ **Health-related.** Many are feeling healthy and energetic and desire to keep working.

→ **Psychological.** The identity of many professors is inextricable from their academic work; they can’t imagine life after the academy.

→ **Social/emotional.** Many faculty are deeply invested in campus life, having spent most of their adult lives at the institution. They are not ready to sever the ties.
## Faculty by Age

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Ready to Retire?

- The decision to retire is one that influences both the faculty member and their department.
- At the least, both will have to re-invent their identity and goals.
- Retirement, and it’s planning, does not look the same for everyone.
How to retire?

→ No right or wrong way to do it
→ Need to find the balance for yourself and your family
→ Best to make the decision rather than have it made for you
Five Stages of Retirement (1)

→ Pre-retirement – imaging your new life and planning for it
→ Financial planning
→ What will make you happy and fulfilled
→ Making lifestyle decisions
  • Where to live
  • When to downsize
→ This can be a 5–15-year process
Five Stages of Retirement (2)

- Full retirement – liberation or honeymoon phase
- Busy reconnecting with family and friends
- Spend time on hobbies, travel, maybe start a new business
- Settle into new habits
- Continue old habits
- Just kick back
Five Stages of Retirement (3)

- Disenchantment
- Emotional high has worn off
- Feel sense of disillusionment and disappointment
- Boredom, loneliness, and feeling of uselessness
Five Stages of Retirement (4)

→ Reorientation
→ Make a new to-do list
→ Create a new identity
→ Find a new purpose
  • New hobby
  • Volunteer
  • Change up routine
Five Stages of Retirement (5)

- Reconciliation and Stability
- Settled into fun and rewarding lifestyle; feeling fulfilled
- Maintain health and independence
Making plans

- Iowa does not have mandatory retirement
- The University offers several approaches
  - Reduced effort – decrease to 50% or greater more permanent basis
  - Cold turkey – set the date, walk away – age 55, 10 years of service
    - Other caveats for benefits
  - Phased – age 57, 15 years of service
    - Currently up to 3 years – up to 65% years one and two; 50% year three
    - If only do one year it is at 50%
    - Some units provide 10% incremental salary for the first two years
    - Once started – you are done
What is in it for you?

- Emeritus status – assuming meet criteria (10 years of service)
- Add the term emeritus to your title
- Parking!! – but it is a taxable benefit depending on type
- Continued uiowa email
- Continued library access
- Can still participate in the life of the institution
  - Participate in the emeritus faculty council
- Other campus resources
Conclusion

Moving towards retirement is a PDSA – Plan-Do-Study-Act
We have talked about what it might look like
Here are people who can help think through the planning
Preparing for Life without a Day Job
PLANNING FOR RETIREMENT
THE BASICS

- Retirement Income
- Health & Dental
- Next Steps
RETIREMENT ELIGIBILITY

- Age 55 or above when employment ends
  
  • Eligible for retiree health and dental insurance, sick leave payout
  
  • Eligible to withdraw retirement plan funds without the IRS penalty. Taxes still apply.
RETIREMENT PROGRAMS

- Regular Retirement
- Phased Retirement

https://hr.uiowa.edu/benefits/retirement/phased-retirement-program
FINANCIAL READINESS

University Retirement Plans:

TIAA
or
IPERS

Employee + University Pre-tax contributions
IPERS RETIREMENT BENEFIT

- Benefits estimates & options, on-line calculators - www.ipers.org

- Contact well in advance of retirement – 800-622-3849
TIAA

- Meet with a TIAA representative at the TIAA office
  www.tiaa.org/schedulenow

- National call center 800-842-2776
RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OPTIONS FOR UNDER AGE 65

- Spouse’s coverage if still working
- Employment based coverage from other employment
- University Retiree Health (Under age 65 plans)
RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE
COVERAGE OPTIONS FOR AGE 65 OR OLDER

- Medicare Supplement
- Medicare Advantage
- University Retiree Health (65+ Plans)
- Spouse’s coverage if still working
MEDICARE ELIGIBLE
**WHILE STILL WORKING**

- Coverage through active employment is primary
- Enroll for Medicare Part A
- Delay Medicare Part B enrollment until retirement
- Do not enroll for Part D
MEDICARE ELIGIBLE
WHEN RETIRED

- Must enroll for Medicare Parts A & B
- Medicare becomes primary
- Research your Medicare Supplement and Adv Plans or the University age 65+ retiree plan
- Will need prescription drug coverage - Medicare Part D coverage or other creditable coverage
UNIVERSITY OPTIONS FOR RETIREE HEALTH & DENTAL

- Health and dental insurance
- Health insurance only
- Dental insurance only

You may continue or add health and/or dental coverage for you, a spouse, domestic partner and/or dependent children at the time of your retirement.
UNIVERSITY PLAN OPTIONS
AT-A-GLANCE

Medical & Prescription Drug Coverage:
- UIChoice / UISelect
- Health Alliance PPO (Medicare Eligible Retirees)
- Health Alliance HMO (Medicare Eligible Retirees)

Dental Coverage
- Dental II
RETIREE HEALTH & DENTAL

- If you decline or drop University retiree health or dental coverage, you will not be able to re-enroll at a later date (exception: employment-based coverage)
  ✓ If you drop your University plan, coverage for your spouse/dependents is also cancelled
- In the event of your death, if your spouse is covered by your plans, your spouse can continue the coverage
RETIREMENT DECISIONS

- WHEN should you retire?
  - Determine financial readiness
    - Accessing TIAA or IPERS
    - Cost of health care pre/post Medicare
    - If spouse/partner is retired/retiring
    - When will Social Security Benefits begin
      - Access at age 62? (less than normal retirement age = benefit reductions, earnings limits)
Applying for Social Security Benefits

3 options available to apply:

1. Online: www.socialsecurity.gov
2. By phone: 1-800-722-1213

Note: Social Security can assist with Medicare Enrollment
RETIREMENT DECISIONS

WHEN should you retire?
• Talk to your department
• End of academic year or semester
• Wrapping up projects
• Transitioning to your replacement
• Process for turning in keys/cards
• Availability for part-time or special project work after retirement
• Could affect access to retirement funds
RETIREMENT DECISIONS

- WHEN should you retire?
  - Consider benefit end dates
    - End of month for:
      - Health, dental, life insurances
      - Health care spending account
  - Consider Medicare enrollment dates
  - Consider tax year
    - vacation/sick leave payouts
RETIRING FROM THE UNIVERSITY

- Review Retirement Section of Benefits website: https://hr.uiowa.edu/benefits/retirement/retiring-university/planning-retirement

- Schedule meetings with:
  - TIAA and/or IPERS
  - Social Security Office
    - Employer verification for Medicare Enrollment
  - University Benefits Office
RETIRING FROM THE UNIVERSITY

- Meet with University Benefits to complete paperwork
  - Health & dental insurance forms
  - Vacation & Sick Leave Payout
    - Vacation - automatic payout of any accrued vacation after final time record is completed
    - Sick Leave - form needed to request payout of unused accumulated sick leave up to $2000
    - Option to make contributions to VRSP/457b - form required
  - Life insurance
    - Group Life – Conversion Option
    - Supplemental Life – Conversion and Portability Options
RETIRING FROM THE UNIVERSITY

- Continuation/cancellation of other benefits
  - Athletic tickets
  - Parking
  - Faculty/Staff ID card
  - Email Account
  - Voluntary AD&D
  - Rec center membership – Wellness points
  - Employee Self-Service access for 18 months
ANNUAL NOTICES

- Annual enrollment period
  - Rates
  - Coverage changes

- Annual Medicare D Creditable Coverage Notice for Medicare eligible retirees and spouses (Please keep ALL notices)
University Benefits Office

benefits@uiowa.edu
hr.uiowa.edu/benefits
https://hr.uiowa.edu/benefits/ui-retiree-benefits

319-335-2676
877-830-4001
120 University Services Building
Paying Yourself

Income options in retirement

Adam Reutzel
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Median income for married couples age 65 or older is about $75,000⁴

27% of American workers are currently working with a financial advisor, and another 40% say they plan to.⁵
• Wants and needs in retirement: The income floor
• Retirement investments: What to consider
• Retirement account options: The basics
• Other investments and savings
• Action steps
Having enough starts with having a plan:

**Retirement needs**

- Home and home-related
- Healthcare
- Food and clothing
- Transportation
- Insurance
- Taxes and debt payments
Retirement wants

• Vacation/second home
• Hobbies
• Travel
• Time with family and friends
• Volunteerism
• Legacy assets
• Social Security
• Defined Contribution plans (401(k), 403(b))
• Defined Benefit plans
• Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs)
• Annuities
• Other investment and savings accounts
Income traits

• Taxable, fixed monthly income from the government

Income options

• Fixed benefit

Other traits

• Reduced benefits can be taken as early as age 62
• Full benefits available if you wait to full retirement age
  - Full retirement age depends on when you were born
    • Spouse gets a benefit, too
  - How and when you and your spouse elect to receive Social Security benefit can make a big difference in your monthly payment
Employer-sponsored retirement accounts:

**Defined benefit plans**

**Income traits**
- Taxable, fixed monthly income from an employer-sponsored and managed account

**Income options**
- Fixed benefit based on company’s formula very often at termination
- Typically funded entirely by the company (although government plans often require employees to contribute)
- Benefits determined by personalized factors, not investment performance
  - Length of service with company
  - Earnings history (so-called terminal income)
  - NOT an individual account
- Benefits may come out of company income if investments underperform
- Maximum benefit is $230,000, no contribution limit*

*IRS, Defined Benefit Plan—Benefit Limits
irs.gov/Retirement-Plans/Plan-Participant-Employee/Retirement-Topics-Defined-Benefit-Plan-Benefit-Limits
Income traits
• Taxable, variable monthly income from your employer-sponsored account

Income options
• Roll it into an IRA
• Leave it alone
• Take periodic distributions
• Annuity (lifetime income)
• Lump-sum withdrawal

Other traits
• May borrow money from it (if plan permits), but must pay it back
• Minimum withdrawal age of 59½ (or be subject to IRS penalty)
• Mandatory withdrawals beginning at age 72
Individual Retirement Accounts: The traditional IRA

Income traits
• Taxable, variable income from a personal retirement investment account

Income options
• Take it in a lump sum
• Periodic disbursements
• “Roll over” into another traditional IRA
• Annuity (Investment Solutions IRA)

Other traits
• 10% penalty for early withdrawal, plus taxes
• Minimum withdrawal age of 59½; mandatory distributions begin at age 72
• Penalties for not taking minimum distributions!
• Special rules may impact taxes
Individual Retirement Accounts: The Roth IRA

**Income traits**
- Tax-free, variable income from a personal retirement investment account

**Income options**
- Take it in a lump sum
- Periodic disbursements
- “Roll over” into another Roth IRA
- Annuity payout

**Other traits**
- 10% penalty for early withdrawal, plus taxes on earnings
- Minimum withdrawal age of 59½
  - NOTE: Special disbursement rules can apply
- No mandatory distributions
- No penalties for not withdrawing
- Account must be disbursed if account holder dies
- Roth account must be five years old before you can take a distribution of gains without tax penalty
- Contributions (but not gains) are always available for withdrawal without tax or penalty
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<td>Allows you to access and reallocate TIAA Traditional Annuity over a set number of years</td>
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Using our fixed and variable annuities as examples:

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Reminder: Your plan may offer non-annuity investments that may be appropriate for your situation.
Some common payout options:

- Life only
- Life with a guarantee period
- Joint life and last survivor

*Not all options available and some providers may offer different payouts. Other income options may be available.
A beneficiary is an individual or organization that inherits payment following your death. This can also be a charity.

**Guaranteed Period:**

- Outlines the number of years your beneficiaries can collect income payments after your death
- Guaranteed period begins when your annuity income contract is opened
- Options: 10, 15 or 20 years
- Beneficiary can collect payments for the remainder of the guaranteed period
- Assumes you and your annuity partner die within the time frame
Income traits
• Variable income from personal investments, bonds and savings

Income options
• Periodic disbursements
• Take it in a lump sum

Other traits
• Can incur capital gains taxes
• No minimum withdrawal age
• No mandatory disbursements
Recap: What to consider in retirement investments

• What will the investment/asset be used for?
• How liquid or easy to withdraw is it?
• How is each investment/asset taxed on withdrawal?
• What is it invested in—what is the risk?
• Estimate your *required* expenses and determine if guaranteed income could help
• Estimate the cost to do what you *want* in retirement consider investing accordingly
• Plan your income carefully and know which assets will pay what amount and when
• Taxes, taxes, taxes
• Learn about consolidation options
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⁴United States Census Bureau, “Household Income in 2019,” accessed online March 2021

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Nearly half of Americans between ages 65-79 have a mortgage when they retire—and more than a quarter 80 and older still have a mortgage.⁶
⁶Center for Retirement Research at Boston College, “More Retirees Today Have a Mortgage,” November 2019

For a healthy 65-year-old couple retiring in 2021, total costs for premiums and out-of-pocket expenses will average $662,156.⁷
⁷HealthView Services, “Retirement Healthcare Cost Data Report,” December 2020
Spending on eating at home rose 4% in a year’s time, while eating out increased 2% during the same period.\(^8\)


The rule of thumb is that Social Security benefits replace around 40% of pre-retirement income.\(^9\)


A spouse’s benefit may be up to 50% of yours.\(^10\)

\(^10\)Social Security Administration, “Retirement Planner: Benefits for Your Spouse,” accessed online March 2021

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What percentage of Americans 65 and older held a paying job in 2020? Nearly 10 million, or 18%.\(^12\)

\(^12\)Bureau of Labor Statistics, “Employment status of the civilian noninstitutional population by age, sex, and race,” January 2021
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