

Yale University Retirement Account Plan (YURAP)

Important Information

FOR CURRENTLY PARTICIPATING POSTDOCTORAL ASSOCIATES

May 2009

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Dear Postdoctoral Associate,

The Internal Revenue Service issued final 403(b) plan regulations that require Yale to make changes to its retirement plan by July 1, 2009. The Yale University Retirement Annuity Plan (YURAP) has been redesigned to ensure compliance with the new rules. Because of the redesign, you, as a Postdoctoral Associate participating in YURAP on or before April 26, 2009, will continue to qualify for University contributions. The new program will provide for an automatic 5% University contribution.

On July 1, 2009, the University will replace the existing Yale University Retirement Annuity Plan with a streamlined, simplified plan that is easy to understand.

The next several pages will assist you in understanding the new plan design and feature changes. To learn more, we recommend you read this document and attend one of the information sessions listed on page 10.

Introduction to Changes

Q1: What are the changes and how do they affect *my* YURAP retirement benefits?

Today's YURAP

In today's YURAP, Yale provides a match equal to 5% of your base salary while you contribute an amount equal to 2.5% of your base salary. Once you earn \$54,200 in a fiscal year, Yale's contribution increases to 10% while your contribution increases to 5%.

New YURAP

The University will now provide a 5% University-paid Core contribution without a required employee contribution.

- You may continue to contribute voluntary savings to YURAP up to the IRS limits.
- There will now be an all-in-one 403(b) plan that consists of the University Core and Employee Contributions and replaces the Supplemental Retirement Account (SRA).

The chart below illustrates the plan design mentioned above. (Please note: All amounts are annual.)

Sample Salary	Today's YURAP*		New YURAP	
	Your contribution	University contribution	Your contribution	University contribution
\$40,000	\$1,000	\$2,000	0	\$2,000
\$50,000	\$1,250	\$2,500	0	\$2,500

*These amounts are based on the under age 35 rates.

Q2: Who is affected by these changes and do I need to take action?

These changes affect current participating YURAP Postdoctoral Associates. **No action is required on your part**, unless you choose to change your employee contribution.

Q3: When does the change occur and what else do I need to know?

This new design goes into effect July 1, 2009. The following items are important to note:

- The University will automatically contribute a Core Contribution of 5% of your annual salary to the Plan.
- You will automatically be enrolled at 2.5% plus your supplemental savings.
- The University Core and your contribution will be sent to your current primary YURAP vendor (TIAA-CREF or Vanguard).

Q4: How will my July paycheck change?

Unless you provide instructions to the contrary, the University will automatically deduct 2.5% of your earnings—plus any current supplemental savings—as a pre-tax deduction from your paycheck. You may choose to lower or increase this amount.

Steps You May Need to Take

Q5: How will my account be invested?

Your employee contributions as well as the University Core will be invested in the funds you have designated for YURAP. If you have not so designated, all contributions will be directed to TIAA-CREF Lifecycle funds. If you would like to change your default investment, you may contact TIAA-CREF or Vanguard.

Q6: Can I change my contributions whenever I want?

You can always change the amount of your contribution to YURAP and set the amount between zero and 50%, not to exceed the IRS annual limit, currently \$16,500. If you wish to contribute at a savings rate of other than 2.5% of your pay plus your current supplemental rate, you can change that percentage by completing the attached YURAP Election/Change Form and submitting it to the Benefits Office. **You must submit this form by July 10, 2009** to ensure that your payroll deductions are what you want.

Q7: Can I reduce my contribution to zero dollars and still get the University Core?

Yes, the University Core is credited to your account independently of whether you contribute to YURAP.

Q8: How do I change my future contributions to Vanguard or TIAA-CREF if Yale has automatically set my contribution to one or the other?

You must notify the Benefits Office to assist you in completing the appropriate applications to redirect future contributions. Unless you already have accounts set up with both vendors, you will need to establish an account and complete an internal Benefits form.

Q9: Do I need to move the account balance I have with TIAA-CREF or Vanguard if I also have a supplemental retirement account with either one?

No, you do not need to move your account balance; however, no new contributions will be directed to your current non-YURAP account. Effective July 1, you will have one 403(b) plan which will incorporate the University Core plus all of your employee contributions.

Q10: What steps do I take if I want to transfer my account balance so all contributions are with one vendor?

If you wish to transfer your account balance into YURAP, you may do so by contacting the vendors directly to initiate an asset transfer.

Q11: Can I have the University Core contributions invested separately from my voluntary savings?

Yes, the University Core will automatically be sent to your primary YURAP vendor. You have the option to have future contributions go to either TIAA-CREF or Vanguard.

Q12: What happens to contributions currently made to my Supplemental Retirement Account (SRA)?

Your SRA contributions will be sent to your primary YURAP vendor (TIAA-CREF or Vanguard). There will no longer be a separate account for supplemental savings. All of your employee contributions will be together in one account. Pre-July 1, 2009 contributions will remain with the current vendor. You have the option to transfer those assets by contacting TIAA-CREF or Vanguard directly.

Q13: My old SRA contributions were invested differently than my YURAP contributions. Now that my investment direction will be the same for all of my future contributions, can I make a change?

Yes. If you want your future contributions to be invested in different funds than what you have currently designated for YURAP, please contact TIAA-CREF or Vanguard by **July 24, 2009** in order to have your July 31 contributions invested in these new funds.

Q14: Can I opt out of the automatic savings feature of this plan?

Yes, you can opt out at anytime for future contributions. If you opt out by **July 10, 2009**, this should take effect with your next paycheck following the change. To opt out, you must submit the attached YURAP Election/Change Form or contact the Benefits Office.

Important Information You Need to Know

Q15: When will my Plan account be vested?

You will be fully vested automatically in all contributions you and the University have made to your account.

Q16: Since the University's automatic savings rate is 2.5%, what happens to my supplemental savings rate?

The University will automatically set your savings rate to 2.5% – plus your current supplemental savings rate. For example: If you are currently contributing 2.5% to YURAP and 5% to an SRA, effective July 1, 2009, your savings rate will be 7.5%.

Q17: Do I lose my ability to take a loan if I transfer all of my account balance to Vanguard?

Yes, loans are presently only available from TIAA-CREF.

Q18: Where can I obtain more information regarding the changes?

A comprehensive description of the new plan design and provisional changes can be viewed online at www.yale.edu/yurap.

Additional Plan Changes

Q19: What are the other design features affected by this retirement plan redesign?

The following features become effective on July 1, 2009:

- **Loans**
 - » TIAA-CREF participants will be eligible to take a loan on employee contributions only. There is not a loan feature available for Vanguard at this time.
 - » The number of loans is limited to two general purpose loans and one hardship loan.
- **Full distribution rights at termination and retirement**
 - » The University will allow you to take your retirement account balance with you upon termination or retirement.
- **In-service distributions at age 59½**
 - » During active employment at age 59½, you will be able to take a distribution from the Plan. This is limited to employee contributions only.
- **Ability to direct University Core and employee contributions to different vendors (TIAA-CREF or Vanguard)**
 - » You may select different vendors for the University Core. There is a requirement that employee contributions remain with one vendor.
- **Supplemental Retirement Account (SRA) is replaced by an all-in-one 403(b) plan**
 - » If you were contributing to an SRA in addition to YURAP, your SRA contributions will continue and now be included as part of your YURAP account.

Glossary of Terms

Base Pay: Your eligible earnings based on the definition of compensation as defined by the Plan.

Employee Contribution: This represents a salary reduction taken from your paycheck on a pre-tax basis and is used as the basis for the University Match.

Fully Vested: Indicates full ownership of the contributions that Yale University and you have made to the Plan, including your own voluntary contributions, University Core and Match contributions, plus any earnings attributable to all Yale and your own contributions.

Investment Direction: Specifically the percentages of your investment principal allocated to each investment category you are using – what is appropriate for you at any given time depends on many factors, such as the goals you're investing to achieve, how much time you have to invest, your tolerance for risk, the direction of interest rates, and the market outlook.

Primary Vendor: The vendor (TIAA-CREF or Vanguard) an employee has chosen when enrolling in YURAP.

Supplemental Retirement Account (SRA): Supplemental Retirement Account, an account used with the old Plan design for unmatched employee contributions. Beginning July 1, 2009, all contributions will be combined into a single YURAP account.

TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Funds: These funds provide a ready-made, diversified portfolio using TIAA-CREF mutual funds as underlying investments that include both equities and non-equities. TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Funds provide you with diversification and ongoing professional management – without the need to make complicated investment, portfolio allocation, and adjusting decisions. Each TIAA-CREF Lifecycle fund starts with an investment mix generally considered appropriate for investors at different stages of their retirement planning, with the objective of achieving the highest possible returns while minimizing potential risks (this objective may not be met). Funds with longer time horizons start out aggressively; those with shorter time horizons begin more conservatively. The funds are actively managed and adjusted regularly to maintain an appropriate mix for the remaining time horizon. Each fund's retirement mix will gradually become more conservative until it is approximately 50% equities and 50% non-equities. If the default investment fund changes at any time in the future, you will be notified.

University Core: A contribution of 5% made on your behalf to the Plan.

Vanguard Target Retirement Funds: Target date funds are broadly diversified funds that gradually and automatically shift from aggressive investments (stocks) to more conservative investments (bonds and short-term reserves) as you get closer to retirement. The investment mix in each fund is targeted to the fund's aligned retirement date. The investment mix adjusts as that year approaches.

Because each target date fund is a complete investment package, a single fund can serve as your entire plan portfolio. Keep in mind that although target date funds can simplify investment selection, all mutual fund investing is subject to risk. In addition, there is risk associated with their underlying funds. Investments in bond funds are subject to interest rate, credit, and inflation risk. Diversification does not ensure a profit or protect against a loss in a declining market.

YURAP: Yale University Retirement Account Plan, a defined contribution 403(b) plan.

Appendix

When you review your paystub and monthly statement from either Vanguard or TIAA-CREF, please be aware that some of the naming conventions have changed. The following information will help you to recognize these changes:

Your Paystub:


Period Ending: 07/31/2009		Yale University Employee's Statement Of Earnings And Deductions		Check Date: 07/31/2009																																									
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Effective July 1, your paystub will look slightly different due to plan name changes:

Supplemental Retirement Account 1 and **Yale University Retirement Annuity Plan 2**, both used through 6/30/09, are combined to become **403(b) Retirement Savings 3** on 7/1/09.

NOTE: **Employee Contribution 4** includes all of your contributions.

SRA Contribution 5 and **YURAP Reduction 6**, both used through 6/30/09, will be combined to become **YURAP Emp Contrib 7** on 7/1/09.



Non-Negotiable Bank Deposit Slip

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Date 07/31/2009

Credit to the Account of

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Amount

\$1,744.73

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When you review your monthly statement, please be aware that some of the naming conventions have changed for both Vanguard and TIAA-CREF plans. To help you recognize these changes, please refer to the following tables.

These descriptions are located on your Vanguard statement under Additional Account Detail:

Vanguard contribution description changes

Current Vanguard Contribution Description	Future Vanguard Contribution Description
Yale University Retirement Annuity Plan	Yale University Retirement Account Plan
Employee Basic	YURAP Employee Contribution
Yale Basic	YURAP Core
Employee Supplemental	YURAP Prior Employee Contribution
Basic After-Tax	YURAP After-Tax
Yale University Supplemental Retirement Annuity Plan	Yale University Tax-Deferred 403(b) Savings Plan
Employee Supplemental	Savings Plan Employee Contribution
Employee Supplemental	Savings Plan Prior Employee Contribution

Use this table to identify the changes in terminology from your current TIAA-CREF plan to your future plan:

TIAA-CREF plan name changes

Current Yale plan name on TIAA-CREF statement	Future Yale plan name on TIAA-CREF statement
Yale University Retirement Annuity Plan	Yale University Retirement Account Plan
Yale University Supplemental Retirement Annuity Plan	Yale University Tax-Deferred 403(b) Savings Plan

Contact Information

Benefits Office

203-432-5550

TIAA-CREF

1-800-842-2776

Vanguard

1-800-523-1188

Upcoming Information Sessions

We encourage you to attend one of the upcoming information sessions to learn more about YURAP changes. Please register at www.yale.edu/yurap.

Beaumont Room—Medical School

June 10 1 – 2 p.m.

Luce Hall Auditorium—Central Campus

June 16 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Yale University Retirement Account Plan (YURAP)

ELECTION/CHANGE FORM

(New enrollees must also complete a TIAA-CREF or Vanguard Application.)

Name: _____
LAST FIRST M.I.

Employee ID Number: _____ Date of birth: ____/____/____
MONTH DAY YEAR

Title: _____ Department: _____

EMPLOYEE PARTICIPATION ELECTION (select all that apply)

University Core Contribution

- I elect to have the University Core contribution invested with (check one) TIAA-CREF
 Vanguard

Employee Contribution

- I elect to contribute ____% or \$_____ per pay period.
- I elect to have my contribution invested with (check one) TIAA-CREF
 Vanguard

You must also submit a Vanguard or TIAA-CREF application if you do not already have an account established.

This Agreement, which is effective with respect to amounts earned on or after the first day of _____, 20____*, shall be legally binding to each of the parties with respect to amounts earned while employment continues; provided, however, that either party may terminate this agreement as of the end of any month so that it will not apply to salary subsequently earned by giving advance written notice to the Yale University Benefits Office or to the participant, whichever is applicable.

Participant: _____
SIGNATURE DATE

*All forms must be submitted to the Benefits Office by the 10th of the month to be processed for the current month.

Yale Benefits Office Fax Number: (203) 432-7575

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