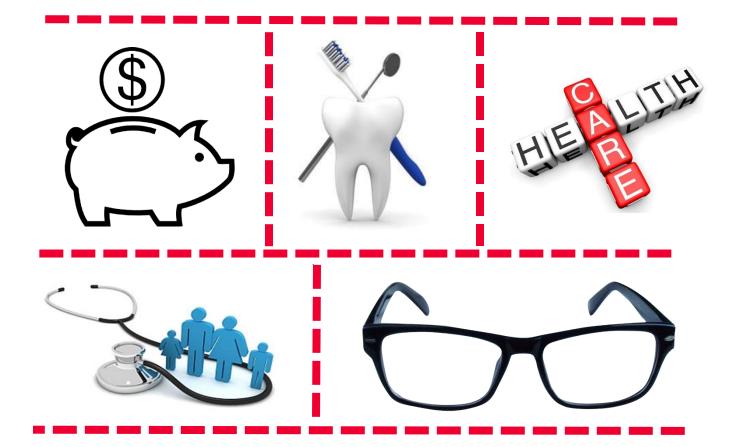
2024 Full-time Benefit Booklet





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As a new hire, or during Baker's annual open enrollment, you have the opportunity to learn about full-time benefit offerings and make your selections to best meet your needs and the needs of your family. Baker College uses an online benefit platform, Ease, for all benefit enrollments.



Baker College continues to collaborate with ASR Health Benefits to offer our employees a PPO plan with no out-of-pocket (\$0.00) premium costs. Health insurance is effective on the 31st day of full-time employment. Employees are eligible to enroll their spouse and/or children onto their PPO plan through ASR Health Benefits.

SPOUSAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENT

An employee's spouse, who has medical insurance available through an employer sponsored or a retirement plan, will be required to elect that insurance as primary. The spouse can enroll in Baker College's plan, as secondary, with no premium cost to the employee.

If an employee's spouse has access, but does not elect his/her employer's insurance or retirement health plan, a spousal surcharge equal to the current COBRA single rate will be charged monthly for Baker College insurance to be primary for that spouse.

HEALTH INSURANCE WAIVER

Employees declining Medical/Rx, Dental, and Vision coverage for themselves and dependent(s) are eligible for a health insurance waiver of \$50.00 per pay. This is a flat waiver of \$50.00 regardless of how many people insurance coverage is waived for.

In-Network Overview	Single	Family (2+)
Monthly Premium Cost	\$O	
Co-pays	\$20 Office Visit/After Hours Clinic \$125 Emergency Room	
In-Network Annual Deductible	\$500	\$1,000
Co-Insurance	Once the annual deductible is met, claims are covered at 90% by ASR. The remaining 10% is the member's responsibility to pay for each claim.	
Out-of-Pocket Max	\$2,500	\$5,000
	Out-of-Pocket maximum includes all costs for deductibles, co-pays, and co-insurance that could be paid per benefit year (Jan-Dec). If the out-of-pocket maximum is satisfied, ASR will cover 100% of in-network claims for the remainder of the benefit year.	
Prescription (30-day Supply)	\$50 Formula \$70 Non-Formulary Bran \$100 Specialty Media	Generic ary Brand Name nd Name (no generic option) cation (mail-order only) s CVS and Walmart Pharmacies



For those enrolled in the College's medical plan through ASR Health Benefits, employees and their covered family members have access to Telemedicine E-Visits through Amwell.

Amwell is a telemedicine service providing online care via two-way audio and video. Board certified doctors and patients can be located anywhere with an internet connection, and connect anytime by smartphone, tablet, or computer. Telemedicine does not replace your primary care physician, but allows a convenient option for quality care 24/7/365.

Benefits to Users:

- Convenient access from anywhere
- Reduction in travel and wait times
- High-quality care by board certified physicians
- Free with \$0.00 copay when the appropriate service key is used
- Easy to use

When to use Amwell telemedicine services:

- You need to see a doctor, but can't fit into your schedule
- Your doctor's office is closed
- You feel too sick to leave the house
- You need to care for your children
- You're traveling and need a doctor
- A dependent child is away at school and needs immediate care
- You prefer to stay home due to hazardous weather or road conditions

Examples of Conditions Treated and Services:

- Cough, cold, and flu symptoms
- Allergies
- Nausea and vomiting
- Ear ache
- Fever
- Headache
- Minor burns, cuts, or scrapes
- Urinary problems
- Sinus and respiratory infections
- Eye irritation or redness

Online Health Care is Just a Click Away:

- Mobile Download the Amwell app
- Web www.amwell.com
- Phone (844) SEE-DOCS







Dental coverage is offered through ASR Health Benefits with no out-of-pocket (\$0.00) premium cost to the employee. Dental insurance is effective 30 days from the employee's full-time start date. Employees are eligible to enroll their spouse and/or children onto their dental plan through ASR Health Benefits.

There is no required network of dental providers; however, ASR's dental plan includes the passive PPO network through DenteMax. Using DenteMax PPO Network provides savings of 20% to 40% of standard dental charges every time you see a DenteMax dentist. This results in lower out-ofpocket dental costs, which will stretch your annual benefit maximum.

	Single	Family (2+)
Monthly Premium Cost	\$O	
Co-pays	\$O	
Annual Deductibles	\$50	\$150
<u>Type I</u> – Preventative Services	100%; deductible waived	
<u>Type II</u> – Minor Restorative Services	90%; after deductible	
<u>Type III</u> – Major Restorative Services	50%; after deductible	
<u>Type IV</u> – Orthodontic Services	80%; deductible waived (for dependent children under age 19 only; \$2,000 lifetime maximum benefit for Type IV)	
<u>Maximum Benefit –</u> <u>Type I, II, and III</u>	\$1,500 (per covered person per benefit year)	







Vision coverage is offered through ASR Health Benefits with no out-of-pocket (\$0.00) premium cost to the employee. Vision insurance is effective 30 days from the employee's full-time start date. Employees are eligible to enroll their spouse and/or children onto their vision plan through ASR Health Benefits.

The ASR vision plan does not use a specific network; employees and covered family members can obtain services from any vision provider. The plan treats providers the same in determining payment for the same services. ASR will provide vision coverage based on the table below. The plan covers eye exams, frames, lenses, and more.

	Single	Family (2+)
Monthly Premium Cost	\$	0
Co-pays	\$15, then co	vered 100%
Eyeglass Frames (one every 12 months)	100	0%
Eyeglass Lenses (one every 12 months)	100	0%
Elective Contact Lenses (one every 12 months)	100	0%
Therapeutic Contact Lenses (one every 12 months)	100	0%
Maximum Annual Benefit	\$3 (per covered person per and le	benefit year for frames





Basic Term Life and AD&D

Life insurance coverage can help protect your family in the event of an unexpected loss of life. This plan offers a comprehensive benefit that provides a benefit to help ensure loved ones are not burdened by financial debt and can create an inheritance for heirs.

The College pays the cost for a Basic Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) insurance benefit for full-time employees through Unum. This benefit is in the amount of three (3) times your basic, annual earnings rounded to the next higher \$1,000 to a maximum of \$300,000. This coverage is in effect the first day of full-time employment.

Employees are taxed on the cost of insurance over \$50,000, and this tax increases the employee's taxable income at the end of the tax year. Example: 40-year-old employee making \$49,000 per year. Total amount of life insurance eligibility is \$147,000. The annual amount calculated and added to the employee's taxable income on their W2 would be \$116.40.

Any employee who prefers to avoid additional taxable income has the option to waive the 3x annual salary option and limit their life insurance benefit to \$50,000; limiting the life insurance benefit to \$50,000 would not add additional taxable income to your W2.

	Basic Life & AD&D
Monthly Premium Cost	\$0 (Employer Paid)
Employee Coverage Amount	3x Annual Salary
Maximum Benefit Amount	\$300,000
Benefit Reduction	35% (age 70 -74) 50% (age 75 and over)

Whole Life Insurance

Group whole life insurance for employees combines set premiums and lifelong protection as long as the certificate is in force. The College offers a voluntary benefit to full-time employees through MassMutual@Work. This whole life benefit includes the following features: portable coverage, tax-deferred cash value accumulations, built-in guarantees, and dividend eligibility beginning on the second certificate anniversary (dividends are not guaranteed).

Full-time employees can enroll in up to \$200,000 of coverage for themselves during the open enrollment period each year. If an employee enrolls in at least \$25,000 of whole life coverage, they become eligible to enroll a spouse and/or child(ren) in a flat \$25,000 of coverage. The employee, via payroll deductions, pays all whole life premiums for self, spouse, and children, if applicable.



Baker College provides income protection to full-time employees in the form of short- and longterm disability. Disability insurance can protect your income should you become seriously ill or injured. The College's plan offers a comprehensive benefit to help you achieve the best return-towork scenario, financial protection when you are unable to work, and coverage that starts within days of a diagnosed illness or injury. The benefit can assist employees with paying for expenses such as childcare, caregiving, household bills, and travel to treatment centers, etc.

	Short-Term Disability
Monthly Premium Cost	\$ 0
	(Employer Paid)
Coverage Amount	66.67% of pre-disability
	earnings
Max Weekly Benefit	\$3,000
Elimination Period	30 Days
Benefit Duration	9 weeks

	Long-Term Disability
Monthly Premium Cost	\$O
	(Employer Paid)
Coverage Amount	66.67% of pre-disability
	earnings
Max Monthly Benefit	\$12,000
Elimination Period	90 Days
Benefit Duration	Based on when disability
	occurs



Flexible Spending Account

Medical and dependent care costs can pile up, but a great way to plan ahead and save money over the course of the year is to participate in a voluntary Flexible Spending Account (FSA) program. An FSA lets you budget and save for qualified medical and dependent care expenses. Your FSA funds are put aside before taxes, which means more money in your pockets.

Flex Administrators administers this benefit for Baker College. Participating in the FSA benefit through Baker College allows you to set aside \$3,050 in pretax dollars from your paycheck to pay for eligible healthcare expenses such as medical/Rx, dental, vision costs, or \$5,000 in eligible dependent care expenses.

How It Works:

- <u>Medical FSA</u> covers eligible medical/Rx, dental, and vision expenses
- <u>Dependent Care FSA</u> allows money to be put aside for dependent care for children up to age 13, a disabled dependent of any age, or a disabled spouse
- <u>Pre-tax savings</u> The dollars you contribute to an FSA are added pretax to your account. For example, if you could contribute \$2,500 to an FSA during a plan year and pay a tax rate of 30%, you'd save \$750
- <u>Funds available right away</u> All of your medical FSA funds are available on the first day of eligibility
- <u>Using funds</u> You can swipe your Flex Administrators debit card and avoid out-of-pocket costs, for easy access to your funds

Examples Eligible Expenses:

- Co-pays for prescription and doctor's visits
- Deductibles and co-insurance costs
- Out-of-pocket dental and vision costs
- Select over-the-counter products

Substantiate Your Claims:

- To show that expenses incurred are eligible, the IRS requires purchases made with an FSA be substantiated
- This process verifies that purchases made with FSA funds meet regulatory requirements
- Documentation requirements for medical expenses:
 - o Date of Service
 - Description of Service/Medical Code
 - o Dollar Amount
 - Provider or Store Name



It is important that you estimate your out-of-pocket expenses in determining your pretax contribution in the FSA. The IRS requires that any remaining funds remaining in the account at the end of the year be forfeited back to the Plan; however, the IRS and Baker College allow a rollover of up to \$610 for a medical FSA. This means you can roll over up to \$610 left in your account at the end of the year into the next plan year.



Don't forget about the mobile app: **Flex Administrators Mobile** Available free in the app store!

> Would you prefer to watch a couple short videos to learn how an FSA benefit could work for you? Click <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>!

401(a) Retirement Plan

The College provides a defined contribution 401(a) retirement plan through Empower Retirement for all employees who meet the requirement of working 1,000 hours or more in the fiscal year. The College's contribution to the plan is 8% of the employee's monthly contracted wages; this is *not* a payroll deduction. Employees are not able to contribute money from their paychecks into their Empower Retirement account.

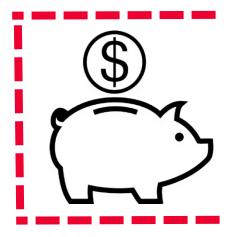
How It Works:

- Employee becomes eligible for the retirement plan once they work 1,000 hours during their first 12 months of employment or during a fiscal year (Sept 1 Aug 31).
- Once an employee becomes an eligible participant in the retirement plan, the College will make a monthly contribution of 8% of regular wages into the full-time employee's pension account.
- Employee determines how and where the money is allocated within the Empower Retirement Plan.
- If the employee does not determine their investment allocation(s), the employee will be automatically enrolled into the Lifepath Index (Black Rock) account reflective of the year in which they turn 65.

Vesting Cycle:

- There is a five (5) year vesting cycle for the Plan.
- A year of vesting is earned for each fiscal year the employee works 1,000 or more.
- Employee is 100% vested in the Plan after earning five vested years.
- Retirement contributions are not paid during the time the employee receives benefits from the College's disability carrier.

ested Years of Service	Vested Percentage
0-1	0%
2	20%
3	60%
4	80%
5+	100%



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Financial, a local financial advisory firm, who has serviced the Baker College 401(a) and 403(b) retirement plans for decades.

Jeff, Amanda and Aaron Snider are available for one-on-one consultations and can also take a holistic look at your financial goals in order to help you protect your family and grow your wealth. Snider Financial can be reached at **810-233-9600** or **jeff@sniderfinancial.com**.

403(b) Retirement Plan

The 403(b) voluntary benefit through Lincoln Financial allows an employee to designate their investment choice and determine the amount they would like to contribute from their paychecks. This benefit is separate from the Baker College 401(a) Retirement Plan. The 403(b) benefit is fully funded by employee payroll contributions without any matching contributions from Baker College. An employee's 403(b) account must be set up through Lincoln Financial under the Baker College Plan in order for payroll deductions to begin. The 403(b) benefit is voluntary with no waiting period to enroll and all employees are eligible to participate.

Eligibility:

• All Baker College employees who receive compensation reportable on an IRS Form W-2 are eligible to participate in one of the 403(b) plans.

The Lincoln 403(b) through Baker College provides:

- An investment lineup that includes a range of passive and active investment options, plus target date funds and a self-directed brokerage account.
- Personal support from Lincoln retirement consultants who can help you plan for retirement at every stage of your career.
- Easy account management online, on the Lincoln Mobile app, or by phone.

Options to enroll:

- Visit <u>Lincoln Financial</u> to register, verify your identity, and create your username and password. Once your account is established, you can set your payroll deduction dollar amount or percentage, choose your investment allocations, and designate your beneficiaries.
- Contact Lincoln to speak with a retirement consultant directly at 800-234-3500 or reach out to one of the retirement consultants assigned to Baker College:
 - Kirsten Burchill, Sr. Retirement Consultant <u>kirsten.burchill@lfg.com</u> or 888-824-1330
- Contact Snider Financial for assistance with enrollment, or general questions about the College's 403(b) plan – jeff@sniderfinancial.com or 810-233-9600
- Reach out to Deanna Starr, Director of Compensation and Benefits for Baker College, at <u>deanna.starr@baker.edu</u> for additional information.

2024 Deferral Limits	
Age 49 and Younger	\$23,000
Age 50 and Older	\$30,500

Employee Assistance Program (EAP

Employee Assistance Program (EAP):

- Your EAP is designed to help you lead a happier and more productive life at home and at work. Call for a confidential access to a Licensed Professional Counselor who can help you with:
 - Stress, depression, anxiety
 - \circ Relationship issues, divorce
 - Anger, grief or loss
 - \circ Job stress, work conflicts
 - Family and parenting problems
 - $\circ \quad \text{And more} \quad$

Work/Life Balance:

- You can also reach out to a specialist for help with balancing work and life issues. Just call and one of our Work/Life Specialists can answer your questions and help you find resources in your community. Ask Unum's Work/Life Specialists about:
 - Child care
 - Elder care
 - o Financial services, debit management, credit report issues
 - Identity theft
 - Legal questions
 - Even reducing your medical/dental bills
 - And more





Unum's travel assistance services are provided by Assist America, Inc., a leading provider of global emergency assistance services through employee benefit plans. Assist America's medically certified personnel are ready to help 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and can connect you with pre-qualified, English-speaking and Western-trained medical providers anywhere in the world.

Whenever you travel 100 miles or more from home – to another country or just another city – be sure to pack your worldwide emergency travel assistance phone number. Travel assistance speaks your language, helping you locate hospitals, embassies, and other "unexpected" travel destinations. Add the number to your cell phone contracts, so it's always close at hand. Just one phone call connects you and your family to medical and other important services 24/7.

Use your travel assistance phone number to access:

- Hospital admissions assistance
- Emergency medical evacuation
- Prescription replacement assistance
- Transportation for a friend or family member to join a hospitalized patient
- Care and transport of unattended minor children
- Assistance with the return of a vehicle
- Emergency message services
- Critical care monitoring
- Emergency trauma counseling
- Referrals to Western-trained, English-speaking medical providers
- Legal and interpreter referrals
- Passport replacement assistance

Travel Assistance FAQs:

Which countries can I travel to? Assist America's services have no geographical exclusions. Its worldwide network stands ready to help wherever your travels take you.

Is my family covered? Your spouse and dependent children up to age 19 (or the age specified by your medical plan) are covered.

Are pre-existing conditions excluded? No. Whether your medical emergency is the result of a new or pre-existing condition, Assist America's Trained representatives will help you find qualified medical care and facilities.

Who pays for the services I use if I have a travel emergency? Assist America arranges and pays for 100% of the services the company provides, with no caps or charge-backs to either you or your employer. But you must call Assist America first – you can't be reimbursed for services you arrange on your own.



Employees and their family members (spouse and children) are eligible to receive scholarships for both undergraduate and graduate level classes at Baker College.

If any employee is eligible for financial aid, all financial aid is applied to tuition and books prior to the tuition scholarship being applied. In no case, will the tuition scholarship plus financial aid exceed the total cost of tuition and books. Enrollment in undergraduate or graduate courses must still follow, and complete, admission requirements.

Undergraduate Tuition Scholarship:

24-25 Undergraduate Tuition (Employee Scholarship)

\$450 reduction per credit hour

24-25 Undergraduate Tuition (Family Scholarship)

\$225 reduction per credit hour

Graduate Tuition Scholarship:

24-25 Graduate Tuition (Employee and Family Scholarship) Master's Level

50% reduction per credit hour

24-25 Graduate Tuition (Employee and Family Scholarship) Doctorate Level

50% reduction per credit hour

Tuition Reimbursement

By assisting our full-time employees with advanced degree education costs, the College is able to benefit our students, employees, and the overall accreditation of Baker College. The College offers two types of reimbursement for job-related, advanced degrees at the Master's or Doctorate levels that are obtained through another institution. Approval for tuition reimbursement must be granted prior to the employee starting an advanced degree program.

Approval Procedure:

- Full-time employees planning to apply for reimbursement must submit the Graduate Tuition Assistance Approval Request form and a written plan containing the following information, to their supervisor:
 - \circ $\;$ How the program of study will be nefit the College
 - o How the program of study will benefit the students
 - How the program of study will benefit the employee
 - When and where the program is offered
 - How the program of study will affect the employees' current job status (i.e. effect on current work schedule, job duties, etc.
- The supervisor will submit the employee's completed form, written plan, and their recommendation to the Program Dean (Academic) or Campus President (Staff).
- The Dean or Campus President will review the proposed plan and supervisor's recommendation and submit the application to <u>hr@baker.edu</u> to be reviewed by the System Executive Committee.
 - If the degree is approved, HR will notify the employee with an approval letter and appropriate details around the approval.
 - If the degree is denied, the application will be sent back to the Dean or Campus President.

Two Types of Reimbursement:

- **Direct Reimbursement (Academic)** The College will reimburse \$7,500 for a master's degree and \$18,000 for a doctorate degree
- **Reimbursement Upon Completion (Staff)** The College will pay a set amount of \$2,500 for a master's degree and \$5,000 for a doctorate degree one year after completion of the degree
 - \circ $\;$ The employee must be still employed by the College at time of payment
 - An official transcript verifying degree must be on file with Human Resources, before the request will be processed

TO REQUEST PAYMENT

The type of reimbursement an employee is eligible for rests solely on the System Executive Committee:

Direct Reimbursement -

 To request payment, the employee must submit a completed Request for Advanced Degree Tuition Reimbursement form to his/her supervisor to authorize. Completed forms should be sent to: <u>bakeraccountspayable</u> <u>@baker.edu</u>

Reimbursement Upon Completion –

> To request payment, the employee must submit a completed Baker College Reimbursement Form to System Human Resources (HR).
> System HR will verify the official transcript has been received and submit reimbursement form to: <u>bakeraccountspayable</u> @baker.edu

Emergency Fund

Baker College is committed to supporting our employees by recognizing the impact an unforeseen emergency or hardship can have on an employee and their family. The Baker College Emergency Fund was established to assist employees facing temporary financial hardships or catastrophic events that could be supported with financial or paid leave resources provided by BC.

Financial Hardship:

This benefit aims to provide temporary relief to Baker College employees in times of urgent financial need caused by unforeseen emergencies or unexpected crises.

Paid Leave:

In situations where monetary assistance might not suffice, such as catastrophic events like a house fire, the loss of an immediate family member (ex: spouse or child), or being affected by a natural disaster, additional paid time off can be beneficial to an employee.

Examples of Approved Need:

- Temporary need for essential living expenses (utilities, food, transportation).
- Urgent items such as eviction or utility shut-off due to non-payment.
- Fire or other natural disaster (tornado, flood).
- Death or life-changing accident in the immediate family.
- Emergency medical treatment/medication/prescriptions.
- Financial needs arising from unexpected critical incidents or special circumstances.

Application Process:

- Employees needing to utilize the Emergency Fund resources should complete the Emergency Fund Application.
- All submitted applications will be reviewed by the President's Leadership Cabinet to determine eligibility.
- Approved employees will be notified by email.

Award Criteria:

- Awards are granted based on individual circumstances and available budgeted funds.
- Decisions are made by the President's Leadership Cabinet on a case-by-case basis and are not considered loans, requiring no repayment.
- The awarded amount may be less than the requested amount, depending on available funding.





Baker College provides access for all employees to join Active&Fit Direct, a self-pay fitness program that gives members access to 12,500+ fitness centers nation-wide and 12,000+ workout videos for \$28 a month – with no long-term contract.

All Baker College employees are eligible to enroll themselves under the AFD program. Spouses of Baker College employees can also take advantage of this benefit under their own account for a separate \$28 a month.

Try before you enroll:

- Everyone has access to the entire library of OnDemand workout videos when they create an account and register on the Acive&Fit Direct website.
 - This includes 12,000+ workout videos ranging from a 1-minute breathing exercise to 60-minute cardio and everything in between at **no cost to you**!
- Many fitness centers partnered with AFD offer a free guest pass through the Active&Fit Program. Use the Fitness Center Search tool to select a location and click the 'Request a Guest Pass' button. Bring the letter to your selected location to make sure you find the fitness center that's right for you.

Program includes fitness centers such as:

- Standard Centers (12,500+)
 - o Snap Fitness
 - \circ 24 Hour Fitness
 - $\circ \quad {\rm Crunch \ Fitness}$
 - o Gold's Gym
 - Anytime Fitness
 - and many more local and franchise fitness centers!
- Premium Centers (6,200+)
 - o Orangetheory Fitness
 - Pure Barre
 - Club Pilates
 - Row House and many more!







Paid Time Off (PTO)

The College provides full-time employees with Paid Time Off (PTO) to use for their personal needs including, illness, bereavement, leave, and/or vacation time. The PTO year runs on a calendar basis beginning January 1 and ending December 31. Employees are provided their full year's PTO on January 1 to allocate, as needed, throughout the calendar year. To track available PTO balances and manage PTO requests, the College uses eTIME, ADP's Time and Attendance tracking system.

How It Works:

- PTO must have advanced approval by supervisor
- If unplanned PTO is needed, the employee must contact their supervisor prior to the start of their scheduled workday
- PTO can be used in one (1) hour increments; anything less submitted will be charged full hour
- If an employee scheduled PTO and the campus is closed (i.e. weather, power outage) the requested PTO still applies
- A maximum of 24 hours of PTO can be carried over to the next calendar year; anything not carried over will be forfeited
 - Carry over (up to 24 hours), if applicable, will be automatically added to the next year's balance
- An employee that resigns, or is terminated, will be paid for a prorated share of the total eligible PTO based on the resignation/termination date
 - Employees cannot use PTO to extend their last day of employment

Annual PTO Breakdown		
Years of Service	Eligible PTO Hours	
1 – 5 Years	128 hours	
6 – 10 Years	168 hours	
11 – 20 Years	208 hours	
21+ Years	248 hours	
52-Week Academic Schedule	248 hours	
9 Month Faculty Schedule	48 hours	

New Hires in their First 12 Months:

- PTO is pro-rated during an employee's first 12 months of full-time employment for those employees under the staff or 52-week academic schedule
 - Full-time faculty members under the 9 month schedule have no pro-ration; the full 48 hours are provided

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The descriptions in this booklet are meant as an overview of the benefits that Baker College offers to full-time employees. Benefit descriptions are not meant as guarantees of current or future employment. The College has the right to make changes to benefits, or adjust offerings, as needed. Benefit plan documents are the official documents that govern plan details.