SERVICE EMPLOYEES’ BENEFITS

Before your first day of work, please call Human Resources at (440) 775-8430 to make an appointment. You will be asked to stop in our office to complete paperwork. You will also be scheduled to attend a “New Employee Orientation” for an overview of your benefits and OC policies. NOTE: Paychecks, health insurance, etc., cannot be processed until you officially sign-in at the Department of Human Resources. The benefit plans listed below have a 31-day initial enrollment period. If you do not enroll within that time period, you will have to wait until Open Enrollment, which has an effective date of January 1 of the following year.

PAYROLL
Payroll is processed Bi-weekly and is paid on Friday. Direct Deposit is required with the ability to deposit at the institution(s) of choice. Enrollment will take place at the time of processing at the Department of Human Resources.

GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE – Open Access Plus Plan NBSR
The Oberlin College Health Plan currently provides in-network benefits at 90% of usual and customary with minimum co-pay for physician visits and prescriptions. The current standard cost of the health plan is 3.35% - 4.20% of your gross monthly salary. If an employee and spouse participate in a Wellness Program, incentive rates are gained, lowering the standard cost of the health plan to 2.20% - 2.75% of your gross monthly salary. Same gender domestic partners are eligible for health coverage. If the spouse/same gender domestic partner is also an Oberlin College employee, with no dependents, both employees must carry single coverage. If there are dependents, then a family plan may be taken. When family plan is taken, the cost shall be deducted from the employee with the higher salary.

FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT (FSA)
The FSA allows an employee to set aside a predetermined amount of pre-tax dollars to cover certain out-of-pocket expenses. The FSA can be established for non-covered health care expenses such as co-payments, coinsurance, deductibles and certain vision, hearing, dental, and expenses not covered by the health benefits plan. An FSA may also be established for dependent care costs.

VOLUNTARY VISION INSURANCE
A voluntary vision plan, paid fully by participating employees, is offered. The plan covers an annual examination and one pair of standard glasses or for contact lenses. A small deductible amount is required at the time of service for exam and glasses or contact lenses. The premium will be deducted from the employee’s paycheck on a pre-tax basis. Monthly premium information: Single $8.30; Single+1 $16.60; Family $22.83.

VOLUNTARY DENTAL INSURANCE:
There are three Dental Programs to choose from – two plans with Superior Dental Care (SDC) PPO provide in-network and out-of-network benefits for enrollees. One plan covers preventative and repair dental work (Core) and one plan provides some coverage for enhanced services (Enhanced). The third program through CIGNA HMO provides in-network benefits only. The premium rates differ based on plan and coverage. The premium will be deducted from the employee’s paycheck on a pre-tax basis. Monthly premium information: SDC Core - Single: $23.84; Single+1: $47.79; Family: $87.21. SDC Enhanced – Single: $30.86; Single+1 $61.63; Family-$112.46. CIGNA Dental HMO – Single: $20.31; Single+1: $34.06; Family: $56.60.

TERM LIFE INSURANCE AND ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT
Basic Life and AD&D: Funded entirely by the College; a plan of 1 X annual earnings to a maximum of $200,000.
Optional/Supplemental Life and AD&D: Funded entirely by the employee. The Plan allows an employee to choose the additional amount of Life and AD&D for him/herself and dependents. Group premium rates use age-banded rates.

DISABILITY INSURANCE
Employee’s medical condition must meet the serious health condition definition under the FMLA. After 10 consecutive working days of absence for a certified non-employment related illness or injury, pay continues at 60% up to 6 months with medical justification. Employee may be asked to return with restrictions when released by their doctor. For income continuance after 6 months of certified disability, employees must apply for and be approved for Long-Term Disability, which will provide pay at 60% of salary.

VOLUNTARY LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE
Group rates are available for this in-home, assisted living, nursing home care insurance. There is a guaranteed issue during the initial enrollment period. The plan provides options for coverage, duration of care and premiums. Employees, spouses, children over age 18, brothers, sisters and their spouses, parents & parents-in-law under age 84 are eligible to apply.
Spouses/same-gender domestic partners are eligible to take one course at Oberlin College per semester. Private reading and Conservatory applied studies courses are excluded. A spouse/same-gender domestic partner may not prevent a student or an active employee from taking a class.

TUITION SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN

After five years of employment with the College, all full-time regular status employees shall be eligible for a tuition scholarship plan for biological or legally adopted dependent children who are granted admission to Oberlin College or a GLCA-member institution. For children attending another accredited institution, the College provides a tuition benefit of 20% up to 50% of the Oberlin tuition or the full tuition of the accredited institution attended, whichever is less, subject to a vesting period. Tuition remission benefits are pro-rated for part-time employees. This program is administered in accordance with the Eligibility, General Provisions, and Administrative Provisions of the Tuition Scholarship Plan adopted by the Oberlin College Board of Trustees.

CAMPUS LIFE

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403(b) PLAN - SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT (SRA) – GROUP SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT ANNUITY (GSRA): All classified employees are eligible to save for retirement on a tax-deferred basis by enrolling into a TIAA-CREF GSRA Contract, a tax-advantaged account you can use to build extra retirement savings. GSRAs are funded with voluntary employee pre-tax dollars. Contact the Department of Human Resources for enrollment information.

HOLIDAYS

The College observes the following national holidays: Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Memorial Day, and Independence Day. In addition, the College observes a winter shutdown for most offices from December 24 through January 1.

VACATION

Vacations are computed according to length of service as of June 30 of any year, to be taken during the following fiscal year, according to the following schedule: Less than 6 months = No vacation eligibility; More than 6 months but less than 1 year = 1 week; More than 1 but 5 or less years = 2 weeks; More than 5 years = 4 weeks.

SICK LEAVE **

On July 1st of each year, each employee will be eligible for 13 paid sick leave days per year; 3 of which may be used as personal days. The numbers of days is pro-rated for employees working less than a full fiscal year. Sick leave absences of 3 or more days require medical verification regarding the need for absence and the ability to return to work with or without restrictions. Contact the Department of Human Resources for our medical verification Physician Statement.

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Employees may take one Oberlin College course, up to five hours per semester without tuition charge, with the approval of their department head and the Dean of the College or Conservatory, as appropriate. Half-time employees may take one course, up to 5 hours per year. Private reading and Conservatory applied studies courses are excluded.

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OBERLIN DEFINED CONTRIBUTION 403(b) PLAN - RETIREMENT ANNUITY (RA): After one year of service from date-of-hire and at age 23, classified benefit-eligible employees become qualified to participate in the Oberlin College (OC) Defined Contribution Plan. Once qualification is met, classified employees must sign up/enroll into a TIAA-CREF RA Contract in order for OC to make contributions into the employee’s Defined Contribution Plan. For complete details regarding the retirement program, refer to the Summary Plan Description on the HR web. Please make an appointment with TIAA-CREF for a Retirement Plan information session 866-549-1238.

OBERLIN COLLEGE TAX-DEFERRED ANNUITY (TDA)

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