# Logan University Employee Handbook



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## ABOUT THIS HANDBOOK/DISCLAIMER

We prepared this handbook to help employees find the answers to many questions that they may have regarding their employment with Logan University. Please take the necessary time to read it.

We do not expect this handbook to answer all questions. Supervisors and Human Resources also serve as a major source of information.

This handbook does not constitute an agreement, contract of employment, express or implied, or a promise of treatment in any particular manner in any given situation, nor does it confer any contractual rights whatsoever. Logan University adheres to the policy of employment at will, which permits the University or the employee to end the employment relationship at any time, for any reason, with or without cause or notice.

This handbook states only general University guidelines. The University may, at any time, in its sole discretion, modify or vary from anything stated in this handbook, with or without notice. "Employment at will" with the University, may only be modified by an express written agreement signed by the employee and an authorized member of the Cabinet.

The handbook also contains addendums that relate to employment in specific states. The general provisions of the handbook are applicable employees, regardless of location; the state-specific provisions apply only to employees performing work for the University in those specific states. In some instances, state-specific policies will apply only if the University employs a specific number of individuals in that state. This means that not all of the policies listed in the state-specific addenda will apply to employees working in those states. For this reason, employees who work in states other than Missouri should contact Human Resources if they have questions about whether a state-specific policy is applicable to them. If the state-specific addendum applies to an employee, that state-specific addendum supersedes the generally applicable handbook provision, to the extent there is disagreement between the provisions.

This handbook supersedes all prior handbooks.

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## **Section 1 - Governing Principles of Employment**

## 1-1 Introduction - Welcome

For employees who are commencing employment with Logan University, let me extend a warm and sincere welcome. For employees who have been with us, thanks for your past and continued service.

We are thrilled you have made the choice to join one of the leading academic institutions in chiropractic and health sciences.

What makes Logan thrive is the dedication, passion and commitment of our faculty and staff. You not only have the opportunity to make a positive difference at our institution, but you play a vital role in each student's success - here at Logan and beyond.

I extend my personal best wishes for success and happiness here at Logan University. We understand that it is our employees who provide the services that our customers rely upon, and who will enable us to create new opportunities in the years to come.

We thank you for your partnership and look forward to supporting you in your new role at Logan.

J. Clay McDonald, President

## 1-2 Mission Vision Values

**Mission**: Logan University is a diverse and engaging community committed to excellence in health sciences, education and service, guided by integrity, commitment and passion.

**Vision**: Logan University aspires to be a community to transformative student success in health and wellness.

#### **Values**

Logan is deeply committed to a number of principles and qualities that best represent our identity and culture. The following values not only serve as a boundary for our behavior, but also set expectations for ourselves and for those we serve.

#### DIVERSITY

**EMPATHY** 

**S**TUDENT FIRST

**P**OSITIVE ATTITUDE

**E**VIDENCE-INFORMED

**CHARACTER/INTEGRITY** 

**T**EAMWORK

Logan provides service to the University and to the local, state, national and international communities.

## 1-3 Notice of Nondiscrimination

It is the policy of "Logan to provide an equal employment opportunity to all prospective and current employees. All employment practices – such as employment, promotion, demotion, transfer, compensation, assignment of work duties, recruiting, advertisement, layoff, termination, rate of pay, and selection for training – are based on each individual's qualifications and merit without regard to race, color, sex (and sexual orientation), national origin, religion, disability,

age, genetic information or veteran status." Any persons having inquiries concerning Logan's compliance with the regulations implementing Title IV, VI, IX and Section 504 are directed to contact either the Compliance Officer or Human Resources (for employment and patient treatment) or the Dean of Student Services (students), 1851 Schoettler Road, Chesterfield, Missouri 63017 or call at 800-782-3344. The Chief of Compliance and Engagement Office is designated as Logan's officer to comply with regulations implementing Title VI, IX and Section 504. Any person may also contact the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, U.S. Dept. of Education, regarding the institution's compliance with the regulations implementing Title IV, VI, IX or Section 504.

## 1-4 Equal Employment Opportunity

It is the policy of Logan to provide an equal employment opportunity to all prospective and current employees. All employment practices - such as employment, promotion, demotion, transfer, compensation, assignment of work duties, recruiting, advertisement, layoff, termination, rate of pay, and selection for training - are based on each individual's qualifications and merit or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local laws. The University is dedicated to this policy with respect to recruitment, hiring, placement, promotion, transfer, training, compensation, benefits, employee activities and general treatment during employment.

**Accommodations for Individuals with Disabilities**: The University will make reasonable accommodations, as required by law, for the known physical or mental disabilities of an otherwise qualified applicant or employee, unless doing so would impose an undue hardship upon the University's operations.

Any applicant or employee who believes they require an accommodation in order to perform the essential functions of the job should contact the Vice President of Human Resources to request such an accommodation. Employees should specify what accommodation they need to perform the job and, as necessary to establish the need for accommodation, explaining the underlying physical or mental disability and the basis for the requested accommodation. The University then will review and analyze the request, including engaging in an interactive process with the employee or applicant, to identify if such an accommodation can be made. The University will evaluate requested accommodations, and as appropriate identify other possible accommodations, if any. The employee will be notified of the University's decision regarding the request within a reasonable period. The University treats all medical information submitted as part of the accommodation process in a confidential manner.

**Religious Accommodations:** The University will endeavor to accommodate the sincere religious beliefs of its employees to the extent such accommodation does not pose an undue hardship on the University's operations. If you wish to request such an accommodation, please speak to the Vice President of Human Resources.

Any employees with questions or concerns about equal employment opportunities in the workplace are encouraged to bring these issues to the attention of the Vice President of Human Resources. The University will not allow any form of retaliation against individuals who raise issues of equal employment opportunity. If an employee feels he or she has been subjected to any such retaliation, he or she should bring it to the attention of the Vice President

of Human Resources. To ensure our workplace is free of artificial barriers, violation of this policy including any improper retaliatory conduct will lead to discipline, up to and including discharge. All employees must cooperate with all investigations.

#### 1-5 Non-Harassment

It is Logan University's policy to prohibit intentional and unintentional harassment of any individual by another person on the basis of any protected classification including, but no limited to, race, color, sex (and sexual orientation), national origin, religion, disability, age or veteran status." The purpose of this policy is not to regulate our employees' personal morality, but to ensure that in the workplace, no one harasses another individual.

If an employee believes someone has violated this policy, the employee should promptly bring the matter to the immediate attention of the Vice President of Human Resources at the following address 1851 Schoettler Rd. and phone number (636) 230-1720.

If the employee makes a complaint under this policy and has not received a satisfactory response within five (5) business days, the employee should contact the Chief of Compliance and Engagement immediately at the following address, 1851 Schoettler Rd, and phone number (636) 230-1932.

Every supervisor who learns of any employee's concern and conduct in violation of this policy, whether in a formal complaint or informally, or who otherwise is aware of conduct in violation of this policy, must immediately report the issues raised or conduct to the Chief of Compliance and Engagement.

Every report of perceived harassment will be fully investigated and corrective action will be taken where appropriate. All complaints will be kept confidential to the extent possible, but confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. In addition, the University prohibits any form of retaliation against individuals who report unwelcome conduct to the University or who cooperate in the investigations of such reports in accordance with this policy. If an employee feels he or she has been subjected to any such retaliation, he or she should report it in the same manner in which the employee would report a claim of perceived harassment under this policy. Violation of this policy including any improper retaliatory conduct will result in disciplinary action, up to and including discharge. All employees must cooperate with all investigations.

#### 1-6 Sexual Harassment

Logan University is committed to a workplace free of sexual harassment and retaliation. Logan University does not tolerate and prohibits sexual harassment of or against job applicants' contractors, interns', volunteers, or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or any third party. Logan University also prohibits retaliation as defined below.

Sexual harassment and retaliation are unacceptable in the workplace and in any work-related settings such as business trips and University-sponsored social functions, regardless of

whether the conduct is engaged in by a supervisor, co-worker, client, customer, vendor, or other third party. In addition to being a violation of this policy, sexual harassment and retaliation are unlawful. For example, sexual harassment and retaliation against an individual because the individual filed a complaint of sexual harassment or because an individual aided, assisted or testified in an investigation or proceeding involving a complaint of sexual harassment are unlawful.

#### **Definition of Sexual Harassment**

Sexual harassment includes harassment on the basis of sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and related medical conditions), gender identity or gender expression (including transgender status) and/or sexual orientation. Sexual harassment includes unwelcome conduct which is either of a sexual nature or which is directed at an individual because of that individuals' sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and related medical conditions), gender identity or gender expression (including transgender status) and/or sexual orientation when:

- submission to that conduct or those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; or
- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Sexual harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays, text messages, social media posts or emails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another) that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion towards an individual on the basis of sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and related medical conditions), gender identity or gender expression (including transgender status) and/or sexual orientation. Such conduct violates this policy, even if it is not unlawful.

Because it is difficult to define unlawful sexual harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

Examples of conduct that violates this policy include:

- unwelcome sexual advances, comments, gestures, flirtations, leering, whistling, touching, kissing, pinching, assault, blocking normal movement;
- requests for sexual favors or demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment:
- sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexuality or sexual experience;
- propositions or suggestive or insulting comments of a sexual nature;
- derogatory, obscene or vulgar cartoons, posters, pictures, and drawings;
- sexually-explicit emails or voicemails;

- conversation about one's own or someone else's sex life:
- conduct, comments, or hostile actions consistently targeted at only one gender or because of the person's gender or gender identity or expression, even if the content is not sexual.

#### **Definition of Retaliation**

Retaliation means adverse conduct taken because an individual reported an actual or perceived violation of this policy, opposed practices prohibited by this policy or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below. "Adverse conduct" includes but is not limited to:

- any action that would discourage an employee from reporting sexual harassment or retaliation;
- shunning and avoiding an individual who reports sexual harassment or retaliation;
- express or implied threats or intimidation intended to prevent an individual from reporting sexual harassment or retaliation; and
- denying employment benefits because an applicant or employee reported or encouraged another employee to report sexual harassment or retaliation or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below.

## **Reporting Procedures**

If an employee believes someone has violated this policy, the employee should promptly bring the matter to the immediate attention of the Vice President of Human Resources at the following address 1851 Schoettler Rd. and phone number (636) 230-1700.

Written complaints can be submitted internally using the form provided in this handbook.

If the employee makes a complaint under this policy and has not received a satisfactory response within five (5) business days, the employee should contact the Chief of Compliance and Engagement immediately at the following address 1851 Schoettler Rd. and phone number (636) 230-1932.

If the person against whom the complaint is directed is one of the individuals listed above, the employee should contact any higher-level supervisor in the reporting hierarchy of the individual against whom the complaint was made.

Every supervisor who learns of any employee's concern about conduct in violation of this policy, whether in a formal complaint or informally, or who otherwise is aware of conduct in violation of this policy, <u>must immediately</u> report the issues raised or conduct to Chief of Compliance and Engagement. Reports or concerns about the Chief of Compliance and Engagement should be made to the University President.

## **Investigation Procedures**

Upon receiving a complaint, the University will promptly conduct a fair and thorough investigation into the facts and circumstances of any claim of a violation of this policy to ensure due process for all parties. To the extent possible, the University will endeavor to keep the reporting individual's concerns confidential. However, complete confidentiality may not be possible in all circumstances. All individuals are required to cooperate in all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy.

During the investigation, the University generally will interview the complainant and the accused, conduct further interviews as necessary and review any relevant documents or other information. Upon completion of the investigation, the University will determine whether this policy has been violated based upon its reasonable evaluation of the information gathered during the investigation. The University will inform the complainant and the accused of the results of the investigation.

The University will take corrective measures against any person who it finds to have engaged in conduct in violation of this policy, if the University determines such measures are necessary. These measures may include, but are not limited to, counseling, suspension or immediate termination. Anyone, regardless of position or title, whom the University determines has engaged in conduct that violates this policy will be subject to discipline, up to and including termination. This includes individuals engaging in sexual harassment or retaliation, as well as managers who fail to report violations of this policy, or knowingly allow prohibited conduct to continue.

## 1-7 Drug-Free and Alcohol-Free Workplace

The Logan University drug and alcohol policy includes all students, faculty, staff, fellows, residents, administration and volunteers. Logan University has a significant interest in ensuring that the work environment is free from the hazards to patients, students, employees, and visitors that are created due to the unauthorized use of alcohol, drugs, or controlled substances. The Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988 and Drug Free Schools and Community Act of 1989 requires Logan University, as a Federal grant recipient and contractor, to certify that it will provide a drug free workplace and learning environment. A drug free awareness program has been established to inform all employees and students about:

- The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace
- The University's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace
- The availability of drug counseling, rehabilitation, student and employee assistance programs.

Potential penalties for drug abuse violations. This is accomplished by providing to each employee and student a copy of the University's Drug Free Workplace policy statement, and requiring that as a condition of employment under such a grant or contract the employee will abide by the terms of this statement; and notify the Vice President of Human Resources of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than

five (5) days after such conviction. Copies of this policy can be obtained from the Dean of Students and Vice President of Human Resources.

#### STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

The purpose of a drug and alcohol-free campus is to promote the safety, health and general well-being of students and employees and to facilitate the efficient operations of campus business toward accomplishing the college or institution mission. Accordingly, employees and students will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, possession, or use of controlled substances, illicit drugs, or alcohol while on University property or engaged in University-related activities. Controlled substances include, but are not limited to, narcotics, depressants, stimulants, hallucinogens, cannabis (marijuana), and prescription drugs, except when used in accordance with instructions from a proper medical authority. Logan also prohibits the sale, use and dispensing of alcoholic beverages on College premises with the exception of University sponsored events, where alcohol may be served. When alcohol is served at University sponsored events, employees and students are expected to comply with all University policies, including Logan's Code of Conduct.

## 1-8 Workplace Violence

Logan University is strongly committed to providing a safe workplace. The purpose of this policy is to minimize the risk of personal injury to employees and damage to University and personal property. Logan strictly prohibits workplace violence, acts of violence and/or threats or violence (including domestic violence) whether expressed or implied toward any student, employee, or other individual on the University's campus or in the University's clinic or other facilities.

We do not expect employees to become experts in psychology or to physically subdue a threatening or violent individual. Indeed, we specifically discourage employees from engaging in any physical confrontation with a violent or potentially violent individual. However, we do expect and encourage employees to exercise reasonable judgment in identifying potentially dangerous situations.

Experts in the mental health profession state that prior to engaging in acts of violence, troubled individuals often exhibit one or more of the following behaviors or signs: over-resentment, anger and hostility; extreme agitation; making ominous threats such as bad things will happen to a particular person, or a catastrophic event will occur; sudden and significant decline in work performance; irresponsible, irrational, intimidating, aggressive or otherwise inappropriate behavior; reacting to questions with an antagonistic or overtly negative attitude; discussing weapons and their use, and/or brandishing weapons in the workplace; overreacting or reacting harshly to changes in University policies and procedures; personality conflicts with co-workers; obsession or preoccupation with a co-worker or Manager; attempts to sabotage the work or equipment of a co-worker; blaming others for mistakes and circumstances; or demonstrating a propensity to behave and react irrationally.

#### **Prohibited Conduct**

Threats, threatening language or any other acts of aggression or violence made toward or by any University employee WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. For purposes of this policy, a threat includes any verbal or physical harassment or abuse, any attempt at intimidating or instilling fear in others, menacing gestures, flashing of weapons, stalking or any other hostile, aggressive, injurious or destructive action undertaken for the purpose of domination or intimidation. To the extent permitted by law, employees and visitors are prohibited from carrying weapons onto University premises.

## **Procedures for Reporting a Threat**

All potentially dangerous situations, including threats and acts of violence must be reported immediately to Campus Security, Logan University's Chief of Compliance and Engagement and any member of the University with whom the employee feels comfortable, and to law enforcement, if the situation requires an immediate or emergency response. Reports of threats may be maintained confidential to the extent maintaining confidentiality does not impede our ability to investigate and respond to the complaints. All threats will be promptly investigated. All employees must cooperate with all investigations. No employee will be subjected to retaliation, intimidation or disciplinary action as a result of reporting a threat in good faith under this policy.

If the University determines, after an appropriate good faith investigation, that someone has violated this policy, the University will take swift and appropriate corrective action.

If an employee is the recipient of a threat made by an outside party, that employee should follow the steps detailed in this section. It is important for us to be aware of any potential danger on our campus. Indeed, we want to take effective measures to protect everyone from the threat of a violent act by an employee or by anyone else.

#### **WEAPONS ON CAMPUS POLICY**

Logan strives to make the learning and work environment as safe as possible. To that end, Logan does not tolerate actual or threatened violence on its premises or when directed at a Logan staff member, faculty member, student, guest or visitor on or off premises.

Verbal or written threats of any kind, even in jest, will not be tolerated and may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination, expulsion or removal from the premises pending investigation. Fighting or verbal threats will be dealt with promptly. In a further effort to maintain a violence-free learning and work environment, Logan has adopted the following policy regarding firearms and concealed weapons:

(1) firearms, concealed weapons and explosives are not allowed at any time on property owned or leased by Logan (including Logan owned or leased parking lots) or in vehicles owned or leased by Logan, or on the person of any faculty or staff member, student, visitor or guest while that individual is on Logan property;

- (2) firearms, concealed weapons and explosives are not allowed in the private vehicle of any faculty or staff member, student, visitor or guest of Logan while such vehicle is on Logan property; and
- (3) Logan reserves the right to search and/or inspect faculty and staff members, students, guests and visitors, their personal belongings, and their vehicles located on Logan property if Logan believes it is necessary to enforce this policy.

Even though Missouri has passed a concealed weapons law, the law provides that one is not entitled to carry a concealed weapon into any higher education institution without the consent of the governing body of the higher education institution. Logan does not, under any circumstances, consent to carrying a concealed weapon on its property or to having a concealed weapon in a vehicle while parked on Logan property. Only law enforcement officers or authorized security personnel are allowed to carry weapons on Logan property.

Any violation of this policy or any refusal to allow Logan to search and/or inspect one's person, belongings or vehicle while on Logan property will result in discipline up to and including termination of employment, suspension, expulsion or removal from the premises.

## **Section 2 - Operational Policies**

## 2-1 Employee Classifications

For purposes of this handbook, all employees fall within one of the classifications below.

**Full-Time Employees** - Employees who regularly work at least 30 hours per week who were not hired on a short-term basis.

**Part-Time Employees** - Employees who regularly work fewer than 30 hours per week who were not hired on a short-term basis.

**Short-Term Employees** - Employees who were hired for a specific short-term project, or on a short-term freelance, per diem or temporary basis. Short-Term Employees generally are not eligible for University benefits, but are eligible to receive statutory benefits.

In addition to the above classifications, employees are categorized as either "exempt" or "non-exempt" for purposes of federal and state wage and hour laws. Employees classified as exempt do not receive overtime pay; they generally receive the same weekly salary regardless of hours worked. Such salary may be paid less frequently than weekly. The employee will be informed of these classifications upon hire and informed of any subsequent changes to the classifications.

## 2-2 Your Employment Records

In order to obtain their position, employees provided us with personal information, such as address and telephone number. This information is contained in the employee's personnel file.

The employee should keep his or her personnel file up to date by informing Human Resource Office of any changes. The employee also should inform the Human Resource Office of any specialized training or skills he or she may acquire in the future, as well as any changes to any required visas. Unreported changes of address, marital status, etc. can affect withholding tax and benefit coverage. Further, an "out of date" emergency contact or an inability to reach the employee in a crisis could cause a severe health or safety risk or other significant problem.

## 2-3 Working Hours and Schedule

Logan University normally is open from 7:00 am to 4:30, Monday through Friday. The employee will be assigned a work schedule and will be expected to begin and end work according to the schedule. To accommodate the needs of the University, at some point we may need to change individual work schedules on either a short-term or long-term basis.

Employees will be provided meal and rest periods as required by law. A supervisor will provide further details.

## 2-4 Remote Work/Telecommuting

Logan University may allow employees to work remotely if their job duties and work performance are determined to be eligible for remote work. Eligibility will be decided on a case-by-case basis by the Department Head. Employees also may be required to work remotely during periods of public health emergencies if government orders and mandates recommend such work.

This policy provides general information regarding remote work/telecommuting. Employees who are approved to work remotely should consult their manager for specific details of their remote work/telecommuting arrangement, such as expected work hours, equipment provided, and other important information.

Any remote work/telecommuting arrangement may be discontinued by the Department Head at any time and at the discretion of the university. Employees also may discontinue the arrangement but may not be guaranteed office space at the university's location.

## **At-Will Employment**

This policy and any individual agreement addressing this work arrangement do not create a contract of employment and are not intended to be considered or construed as a promise of continued employment. Employment is at will and may be discontinued at any time by the University or employee without notice, cause, or liability.

#### **Hours of Work**

Employees will work full-time from home. Scheduled hours of work will be set by the employee's manager or supervisor. Employees should maintain regular contact with their supervisors and managers.

Nonexempt employees must accurately record all hours worked pursuant to the university's timekeeping system and take rest and meal breaks as if in the university's workplace and as required by law. Nonexempt employees may not work beyond scheduled working hours (including working more than 40 hours in a workweek) without prior, written authorization from their manager or supervisor.

#### Location

Employees will provide, at their expense, a secure, dedicated work area. Employees are responsible for maintaining the work area in a safe, secure, and nonhazardous condition at all times. Employees will maintain security devices and procedures necessary to prevent use by unauthorized persons, including by preventing the connection of any university-furnished computer system, network, or database to any computer, network, or database other than a computer, network, or database to which connections are provided or authorized by the university.

#### **Duties**

Employees are expected to follow all existing university policies and procedures. The duties, obligations, responsibilities, and conditions of employment at the university remain unchanged. Employees must stay engaged with work throughout the workday and be fully available during normal business hours. If employees do not successfully perform their job duties remotely, this arrangement will be revoked. Employees are expected to follow existing university policies with respect to scheduled and unscheduled time off, including the obligation to speak with their manager or supervisor before the scheduled start time in the event of an unscheduled absence, tardiness, or early departure.

#### **Accidents and Injuries**

Employees agree to maintain safe conditions in the remote workspace and to practice the same safety habits and rules applied on university premises. If employees incur an injury arising out of the course and scope of the assigned job duties while working in a remote workspace, the workers' compensation provisions in place for the state in which the employees are working will apply. Employees must notify human resources and their supervisor or manager immediately and complete all necessary and/or requested documents regarding the reported injury. The university assumes no responsibility for injuries occurring in the remote workspace outside normal working hours or for injuries that occur as a result of a reasonably recognizable unsafe remote workspace.

## **Equipment**

Employees agree to use electronic equipment that has been encrypted and meets all the university's security requirements. If the university provides equipment for home use, employees agree to provide a secure location for university-owned equipment and will not use, or allow others to use, such equipment for purposes other than university business. Employees have no expectation of ownership of such equipment, linkages, property, or other items installed or provided by the university. The university will bear the expense of removal of any such equipment, linkages, and installations provided by the university upon the termination of the remote work/telecommuting arrangement but not modification of or repairs to the work location. Employees hereby release the university from any damage or liability incurred in the installation or removal of the equipment provided by the university.

## **Return of University Property**

All equipment, records, and materials provided by the university will remain university property. Employees agree to return university equipment, records, and materials upon request. All university equipment will be returned by employees for inspection, repair, or replacement as needed or requested or immediately upon termination of the remote work/telecommuting arrangement. All equipment must be returned within five (5) business days of the written notice to the employees.

#### **Expenses**

Upon the presentment of receipts and in accordance with the Business Expense Reimbursement policy, the University will reimburse employees for certain preapproved expenses.

Regular household utility charges, such as electricity, water, phone, Internet service, auto, homeowners' insurance, etc., are not reimbursable unless state law requires reimbursement.

#### Confidentiality

Employees agree that they are subject to the university's policies prohibiting the nonbusiness use or dissemination of the university's confidential business information. Employees will take all appropriate steps to safeguard the university's confidential business information, including segregating it from personal papers and documents, not allowing nonemployees to access such information, and keeping such information in locked drawers or file cabinets when not in use. Employees will maintain confidential information, including, but not limited to, information regarding the university's products or services, processing, marketing and sales, client lists, client e-mail addresses and mailing addresses, client data, orders, memoranda, notes, records, technical data, sketches, designs, plans, drawings, trade secrets, research and development data, experimental work, proposals, new product and/or service developments, project reports, sources of supply and material, operating and cost data, and corporate financial information.

#### Contact

If employees have any questions concerning this policy or would like to apply to work remotely, they should contact the Human Resource Department.

## 2-5 State Hiring and Relocation

Logan University maintains its principal place of business in Chesterfield, Missouri and therefore prioritizes hiring in Missouri and in neighboring areas of Illinois, including the St. Louis Metropolitan area. However, the university recognizes that in operating a primarily online College of Health Sciences and in seeking the best talent to deliver on the university mission, vision, and values, from time to time, the need may arise to hire outside the state of Missouri and the St. Louis Metropolitan area. In those cases the university will consider what additional legal and regulatory issues may arise from such a hire and may decline to extend an offer where such a hire adds complexity and cost to university operations.

Effective March 2023, the university will publish and periodically update a list of approved states from which applicants for employment may be considered. Hiring managers and employees who are considering relocating should familiarize themselves with this list. Hiring or relocating outside of approved states will only be considered based on the specific role, the skill set of the potential hire, and the relative importance of the role to the delivery of the university's mission, vision, and values. Hiring from and/or relocating to a state that is not on the approved list requires the approval of the Controller and the Head of Human Resources.

Employees should also be advised that working remotely and/or relocating when working remotely, requires the express approval of their direct supervisor and Human Resources.

Approved States for Hiring/Relocation, updated February 2023

- Arizona
- Florida
- Georgia
- Illinois
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Michigan
- Missouri
- Nebraska
- North Carolina
- South Carolina
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Virginia
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming

## 2-6 Timekeeping Procedures

Employees must record their actual time worked for payroll and benefit purposes. Non-exempt employees must record the time work begins and ends, as well as the beginning and ending time of any departure from work for any non-work-related reason, on forms as prescribed by the University or the employee's supervisor.

Altering, falsifying or tampering with time records is prohibited and subjects the employee to discipline, up to and including discharge.

Exempt employees are required to record their daily work attendance and report full days of absence from work for reasons such as leaves of absence, sick leave or personal business.

Non-exempt employees may not start work until their scheduled starting time.

It is the employee's responsibility to sign time records to certify the accuracy of all time recorded. Any errors in the time record should be reported immediately to a Manager, who will attempt to correct legitimate errors.

## 2-7 Overtime

At times, Logan University experiences periods of extremely high activity. During these busy periods, additional work may be required from some employees. Supervisor are responsible for monitoring the University activity and requesting overtime work if it is necessary. Effort will be made to provide employees with adequate advance notice in such situations.

Any non-exempt employee who works overtime will be compensated at the rate of one and one-half times (1.5) his/her normal hourly wage for all time worked in excess of forty (40) hours each week, unless otherwise required by law.

Employees may work overtime only with prior authorization from the employee's supervisor.

For purposes of calculating overtime for non-exempt employees, the workweek begins at 12 a.m. on Sunday and ends 168 hours later at 12 a.m. on the following Sunday.

## 2-8 Travel Time for Non-Exempt Employees

Normal work hours, for the purposes of this policy, are defined as an employee's regularly scheduled work hours (e.g., 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). This definition applies to normal workdays (Monday through Friday) and to weekends (Saturday and Sunday). Employees with variable work hours will have their normal work hours defined by human resources prior to travel, based on a review of time records over the previous month.

## **Overnight, Out-of-Town Trips**

Non-exempt employees will be compensated for time spent traveling (except for meal periods) during their normal working hours, on days they are scheduled to work and on unscheduled work days (such as weekends). Non-exempt employees also will be paid for any time spent performing job duties during otherwise non-compensable travel time; however, such work should be limited, absent the advance authorization from the employee's supervisor.

#### **Out-of-Town Trips for One Day**

Non-exempt employees who travel out of town for a one-day assignment will be paid for all travel time, except for, among other things: (i) time spent traveling between the employee's home and the local railroad, bus or plane terminal; and (ii) meal periods.

#### **Local Travel**

Non-exempt employees will be compensated for time spent traveling from one location to another location during a workday if the travel is work-related. The trip home, however, is non-compensable when an employee goes directly home from his/her final worksite, unless it is significantly longer than his/her regular commute home from the regular worksite. In such case, the portion of the trip home in excess of the regular commute is compensable.

#### **Commuting Time**

Travel time from home to work and from work to home is generally non-compensable. However, if a non-exempt employee regularly reports to a worksite near his/her home, but is required to report to a worksite farther away than the regular worksite, the additional time spent traveling is compensable.

If compensable travel time results in more than 40 hours worked by a non-exempt employee, the employee will be compensated at an overtime rate of one-half times the regular rate.

To the extent that applicable state law provides greater benefits, states law applies.

## 2-9 Safe Harbor Policy for Exempt Employees

It is our policy and practice to accurately compensate employees and to do so in compliance with all applicable state and federal laws. To ensure proper payment and that no improper deductions are made, employees must review pay stubs promptly to identify and report all errors.

Employees classified as exempt salaried employees will receive a salary which is intended to compensate them for all hours they may work for Logan University. This salary will be established at the time of hire or classification as an exempt employee. While it may be subject to review and modification from time to time, such as during salary review times, the salary will be a predetermined amount that will not be subject to deductions for variations in the quantity or quality of the work performed.

Under federal and state law, salary is subject to certain deductions. For example, unless state law requires otherwise, salary can be reduced for the following reasons:

- full-day absences for personal reasons;
- full-day absences for sickness or disability;
- full-day disciplinary suspensions for infractions of our written policies and procedures;
- family and Medical Leave absences (either full- or partial-day absences);
- to offset amounts received as payment from the court for jury and witness fees or from the military as military pay;
- the first or last week of employment in the event the employee works less than a full week; and

any full work week in which the employee does not perform any work.

Salary may also be reduced for certain types of deductions such as a portion of health, dental or life insurance premiums; state, federal or local taxes; social security; or voluntary contributions to a 403(b).

In any work week in which the employee performed any work, salary will not be reduced for any of the following reasons:

- partial day absences for personal reasons, sickness or disability;
- an absence because the employer has decided to close a facility on a scheduled work day;
- absences for jury duty, attendance as a witness, or military leave in any week in which the employee performed any work (subject to any offsets as set forth above); and
- any other deductions prohibited by state or federal law.

However, unless state law provides otherwise, deductions may be made to accrued leave for full- or partial-day absences for personal reasons, sickness or disability.

If the employee believes he or she has been subject to any improper deductions, the employee should immediately report the matter to a manager. If the manager is unavailable or if the employee believes it would be inappropriate to contact that person (or if the employee has not received a prompt and fully acceptable reply), he or she should immediately contact Human Resource Office.

## 2-10 Your Paycheck

All employees are paid bi-weekly on Fridays. In the event, a payday falls on a bank holiday; the pay date will be day prior. Non-exempt employees are paid one week in arrears to allow time for timesheets to be entered by the employee and approved by the supervisor. Exempt employees paid current.

Payroll stubs itemize deductions made from gross earnings. By law, the University is required to make deductions for Social Security, federal income tax, and any other appropriate taxes. These required deductions also may include any court-ordered garnishments. Payroll stubs also will differentiate between regular pay and overtime pay received.

If there is an error in an employee's pay, the employee should bring the matter to the attention of the Human Resource Office immediately so the University can resolve the matter quickly and amicably.

Paychecks will be given only to the employee, unless he or she requests that they be mailed, or authorize in writing, another person to accept the check.

## 2-11 Direct Deposit

Logan University strongly encourages employees to use direct deposit. Direct deposit is the safest and most timely way to ensure paychecks are received immediately on each pay date. The University reserves the right to require direct deposit in situations where an employee is working remotely or repeatedly requiring stale or lost paychecks to be reissued. Employees who choice to receive a paper check, may pick up their paycheck from the Payroll Department each pay date. Paychecks will only be given to the employee, unless he or she requests that they be mailed, or authorize in writing for another person to accept the check.

## 2-12 Salary Advances

Logan University does not permit advances on paychecks or against accrued paid time off.

## 2-13 Performance Review

Depending on the employee's position and classification, Logan University endeavors to review performance annually. However, a positive performance evaluation does not guarantee an increase in salary, a promotion or continued employment. Compensation increases and the terms and conditions of employment, including job assignments, transfers, promotions, and demotions, are determined by and at the discretion of the University.

In addition to these formal performance evaluations, the University encourages employees and managers to discuss job performance on a frequent and ongoing basis.

## 2-14 Record Retention

The University acknowledges its responsibility to preserve information relating to litigation, audits and investigations. Failure on the part of employees to follow this policy can result in possible civil and criminal sanctions against the University and its employees and possible disciplinary action against responsible individuals (up to and including discharge of the employee). Each employee has an obligation to contact the President to inform him or her of potential or actual litigation, external audit, investigation or similar proceeding involving the University that may have an impact on record retention protocols.

## 2-15 Job Postings

Logan University is dedicated to assisting employees in managing their careers and reaching their professional goals through promotion and transfer opportunities. This policy outlines the on-line job posting program which is in place for all employees. To be eligible to apply for an open position, employees must meet several requirements:

Should be a current, regular, full-time or part-time employee

- Been in your current position for at least six months
- Maintain a performance rating of satisfactory or above
- Should not be on an employee conduct/performance-related probation or warning
- Must meet the job qualifications listed on the job posting
- Required to provide the employee's supervisor with notice prior to applying for the position.

If the employee finds a position of interest on the job posting website and meets the eligibility requirements, an on-line job posting application must be completed in order to be considered for the position. Not all positions are guaranteed to be posted. The University reserves the right to seek applicants solely from outside sources or to post positions internally and externally simultaneously.

For more specific information about the program, please contact the Human Resources Department.

## **Section 3 - Benefits**

#### 3-1 Benefits Overview

In addition to good working conditions and competitive pay, it is Logan University's policy to provide a combination of supplemental benefits to all eligible employees. In keeping with this goal, each benefit program has been carefully devised. These benefits include time-off benefits, such as vacations and holidays, and insurance and other plan benefits. We are constantly studying and evaluating our benefits programs and policies to better meet present and future requirements. These policies have been developed over the years and continue to be refined to keep up with changing times and needs.

The next few pages contain a brief outline of the benefits programs Logan University provides employees and their families. Of course, the information presented here is intended to serve only as guidelines.

The descriptions of the insurance and other plan benefits merely highlight certain aspects of the applicable plans for general information only. The details of those plans are spelled out in the official plan documents, which are available for review upon request from the Human Resource Department. Additionally, the provisions of the plans, including eligibility and benefits provisions, are summarized in the summary plan descriptions ("SPDs") for the plans (which may be revised from time to time). In the determination of benefits and all other matters under each plan, the terms of the official plan documents shall govern over the language of any descriptions of the plans, including the SPDs and this handbook.

Further, Logan University (including the officers and administrators who are responsible for administering the plans) retains full discretionary authority to interpret the terms of the plans, as well as full discretionary authority with regard to administrative matters arising in connection with the plans and all issues concerning benefit terms, eligibility and entitlement.

While the University intends to maintain these employee benefits, it reserves the absolute right to modify, amend or terminate these benefits at any time and for any reason.

If employees have any questions regarding benefits, they should contact the Human Resource Department.

## 3-2 Paid Holidays

Full-time, Part-time employees will be paid for the following holidays:

New Year's Day

Day after New Year's Day

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

President's Day

Good Friday

Memorial Day

Juneteenth

Independence Day

Labor Day

Wednesday before Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day

Day after Thanksgiving

Christmas Eve

Christmas Day

Day after Christmas

New Year's Eve

When holidays fall or are celebrated on a regular workday, eligible employees will receive one (1) day's pay at their regular straight-time rate. Eligible employees who are called in to work on a holiday will receive one (1) day's pay at their regular straight-time rate and an additional payment of straight-time for the actual time they work that day.

If a holiday falls within an eligible employee's approved vacation period, the eligible employee will be paid for the holiday (at the regular straight-time rate) in addition to the vacation day, or the eligible employee will receive an additional vacation day at the option of the University.

If a holiday falls within a jury duty or bereavement leave, the eligible employee will be paid for the holiday (at the regular straight-time rate) in addition to the leave day, or the eligible employee will receive an additional day off at the option of the University.

## 3-3 Paid Vacations – Standing Faculty Employees (only)

We know how hard employees work and recognize the importance of providing time for rest and relaxation. We fully encourage employees to get this rest by taking your vacation time. Full-time Faculty employees receive vacation annually on September 1<sup>st</sup> as follows:

Vacation accrued on academic-year basis (Sept – Aug)				
Standing Faculty <sup>1</sup> with academic year contracts	4 weeks (teaching faculty must take vacation during breaks; health center clinicians may take vacation at any time based on supervisor's approval)			
Academic Provisional Faculty & Standing	None			
Faculty with less than an annual contract				
Vacation accrued based on contract year				
Residents and Fellows	4 weeks (*effective at beginning of contract anniversary)			

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Standing Faculty are employees with annual contracts such as teaching and health center faculty.

Vacations should be taken during the year accrued, unless otherwise required by law. Unused vacation time will be lost, unless otherwise required by state or local law.

## 3-4 Paid Time Off – Staff Only

Paid time off (PTO) allows full and part-time employees to take control of their time away from work that can be used for vacation, personal time, personal illness or time off to care for their spouse, domestic partner or dependents. PTO should be scheduled in advance and have supervisory approval except in the case of illness or an emergency. Employees who are absent three consecutive days (unscheduled PTO), must provide doctor's note to return. The PTO policy takes the place of sick leave, birthday float and vacation, therefore, employees will maintain the same award amount annually.

All full and part time employees are eligible to earn PTO. Part-time employees earn PTO at a rate equal to 50 percent of full-time employee rates for months when they work at least 100 hours. Temporary or contract employees are not eligible for this benefit.

PTO is awarded on an annual basis and the annual award is credited to an employee's PTO bank on January 1 of each year. PTO, however, is earned on a monthly basis and, in the event an employee terminates from the University, an employee's final PTO payout will be calculated based on earned monthly accrual rates. An employee's final paycheck will be reduced by any unearned PTO that has already been used.

Hourly, non-exempt employees may take PTO in increments necessary to reach their regularly scheduled work day or 40 paid hours per week.

Salaried, exempt employees should use PTO in increments of 4 hours.

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Job Type	Award Year	Years of Service	Annual Award	Earned Accrual Rate
Non-Exempt Hourly Employees	Calendar	1-4	18 days	1.5 days/per month
		5-9	23 days	1.9 days/per month
		10+	28 days	2.3 days/per month
Exempt Dean/Director & Exempt direct reports	Calendar	1-4	23 days	1.9 days/per month
		5-9	28 days	2.3 days/per month
		10+	33 days	2.7 days/per month
Exempt Cabinet Level	Calendar	1-4	28 days	2.3 days/per month
		5-9	33 days	2.7 days/per month
		10+	38 days	3.2 days/per month

## 3-5 Paid Medical Leave

**Full-time Logan University faculty members** are eligible to receive up to twelve (12) weeks of paid sick days each rolling back year for serious illnesses. **Full-time Logan University staff (non-faculty)** members are eligible to receive up to six (6) weeks of paid sick leave each rolling back year for serious illness. All employees must call in and notify his or her manager as early as possible, but at least by the start of the workday. If the employee calls in sick for three (3) or more consecutive days, he or she may be required to provide their manager and the Human Resource Office with a doctor's note on the day he or she returns to work.

## Eligible employees must meet the following criteria:

- Out due to own serious illness for 5 consecutive days
- Have been employed with the company for at least 12 months
- Have worked at least 1,250 hours during the 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the date the leave would begin.
- Be a benefit eligible regular full -time employee (temporary employees are not eligible for this benefit).

While sick days are intended to cover only an employee's own illnesses, <u>if required by applicable state or local law</u>, sick days may be used to care for a family member's (including civil union partners') illness or for any other reason required by applicable state or local law.

## 3-6 Lactation Breaks

The University will provide a reasonable amount of break time to accommodate an employee desiring to express breast milk for the employee's infant child, in accordance with and to the extent required by applicable law. The break time, if possible, must run concurrently with rest and meal periods already provided to the employee. If the break time cannot run concurrently with rest and meal periods already provided to the employee, the break time will be unpaid, subject to applicable law.

The University will provide employees with reasonable break time to express milk for their nursing child for up to one year after the birth of the child in a private location other than a toilet stall or bathroom. This location may be the employee's private office, if applicable. The University may not be able to provide additional break time if doing so would seriously disrupt the University's operations, subject to applicable law. Please consult the Human Resources Department if you have questions regarding this policy.

Employees should advise the University if they need break time and an area for this purpose. Employees will not be discriminated against or retaliated against for exercising their rights under this policy.

## 3-7 Workers' Compensation/Job-Related Incidents

On-the-job injuries are covered by our Workers' Compensation Insurance Policy, which is provided at no cost. If employees are injured on the job, no matter how slightly, they should report the incident immediately to their Supervisor, Human Resources and to Campus Security. Failure to follow University procedures may affect the ability of the employee to receive Workers Compensation benefits.

This is solely a monetary benefit and not a leave of absence entitlement. Employees who need to miss work due to a workplace injury must also request a formal leave of absence. See the Leave of Absence sections of this handbook for more information.

Employees of the University who suffer an injury or illness caused by an accident or occupational disease arising out of and in the course of their employment ("a work-related injury") will receive appropriate medical care and a managed return to work, in accordance with the Workers" Compensation Law of the State of Missouri or other applicable state law ("the Law").

#### **Workers' Compensation Benefits Payable**

Employees who suffer a work-related injury will receive benefits paid by the University according to the Law.

In Missouri, if an injury is deemed compensable, the employee will receive, subject to all provisions of the Law:

- 1. Medical treatment approved by the University
- 2. Temporary total disability ("TTD") benefits from the University's insurer, if the employee is absent from work for more than three working days. TTD benefits are equal to two-thirds of the employee's average of the employee's wages for the thirteen weeks preceding the work-related injury.
- If an employee is absent from work due to work-related injury for only three working
  days or less, the employee will not receive TTD benefits; however, the employee
  may elect to use any accumulated sick/PTO leave days for any missed time from
  work.
- 4. If an employee is absent from work for more fourteen (14) working days, the employee may elect to apply any accumulated sick/PTO leave to make up the difference between the employee's regular wage and the TTD benefits paid by the University insurer. The total received from both sources shall not exceed the employee's regular wage. "Regular wage" is the fixed salary, or the regular hourly wage, excluding any overtime, of the employee, computed on a daily or weekly basis. No employee may use vacation benefits to supplement wages while absent from work due to work-related injury.
- 5. An employee's available Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) absence allowance may drawn down concurrent with absences due to a work-related injury, if the absence qualifies as a serious health condition under FMLA.

#### **Direction of Medical Care**

In Missouri, the University is afforded the right to select the medical care provider(s) for employee work-related injuries. The Human Resources Department will direct the employee to an approved medical provider. The employee however maintains the right to use a provider of the employee's choice, but any expenses associated with that use will be borne solely by the employee.

#### Continuation of Employee Benefits While Off Work Due to Compensation Injury.

If an employee is not able to work due to compensable injury, and as long as the injured person remains an employee of the University, all regular employee benefits may continue. However, since the employee will receive wage benefit checks directly from the University's insurer and not through the University's regular payroll system, the employee's portion of the cost for those benefits cannot automatically be deducted from the employee's payroll check. Therefore, the employee is responsible for making separate payment arrangements with the University's Human Resources Department.

## **Compliance with Physician's Orders**

An employee with a compensable injury must strictly follow any and all instructions of the treating physician. This compliance includes, but is not limited to: prescription use, therapy, rest, following activity restrictions, and returning for follow-up visits. Compliance with medical instructions is mandatory and odd the job. Failure to comply with the treating physicians' instructions may result in the denial of benefits under the Law.

## **Notice Requirements**

A work-related injury or illness must be reported in writing by the injured employee to his or her supervisor immediately and to the Human Resources Office.

#### **Drug and/or Alcohol Use**

Under Missouri Law, workers' compensation benefits can be denied if an employee is found to be using alcohol and/or non-prescribed controlled drugs in the workplace and the use is the proximate cause of the injury. If the employee is found to be using alcohol/drugs and the use is not the proximate cause of the injury, a 15% penalty can be levied against otherwise payable benefits.

## Rule Violation or Willful Failure to Use Safety Devices

If an employee violates a rule of the University or willfully fails to use a required safety device, that employee's workers' compensation benefits may be reduced by 15%.

#### Failure to Return to Work After Physician Release

An employee who fails to return to work after receiving a release from their treating physician to do so, will be considered absent from their job without authorization. The University considers three (3) consecutive work days of unauthorized absences without notice to be a voluntary resignation.

#### **Penalties for Fraud**

In accordance with Missouri Law, any employee who submits a fraudulent workers' compensation claim and/or misrepresents facts can be found guilty of a Class A misdemeanor and may be subject to substantial criminal fines.

## **Policy Compliance**

Employees are expected to comply with these polices as a condition of their employment. This includes, but is not limited to, the expectation that employees shall:

- 1. Comply with physician's order, Workers' Compensation guidelines, and guidelines for modified duty.
- 2. Immediately notify supervisor, Campus Security, and the Human Resources Office of work-related injury or illness.
- 3. Refrain from the use of drugs and/or alcohol in violation of the University's policies.
- 4. Comply with safety standards
- 5. Return to work under release of physician
- 6. Be absolutely truthful and accurate in all claims and reports.

Failure to comply with this policy may result in University discipline up to and including discharge.

## 3-8 Jury Duty

Logan University realizes that it is the obligation of all U.S. citizens to serve on a jury when summoned to do so. All employees will be allowed time off to perform such civic service as required by law. Employees are expected, however, to provide proper notice of a request to perform jury duty and verification of their service.

Employees also are expected to keep their supervisors informed of the expected length of length of jury duty service and to report to work for the major portion of the day if excused by the court. If the required absence presents a serious conflict for the University, employees may be asked to try postpone jury duty.

Employees on jury duty leave will be paid for their jury duty service in accordance with state law; however, exempt employees will be paid their full salary for any week in which time is missed due to jury duty if work is performed for the University during such week.

## 3-9 Bereavement Leave

We know the death of a family member is a time when employees wish to be with their families. If the employee is a full-time, part-time employee and loses a close relative, he or she will be allowed paid time off of up to 3 days to assist in attending to his or her obligations and commitments. For the purposes of this policy, a close relative includes a spouse, domestic partner, child, parent, sibling or in-laws of same. Paid leave days only may be taken on regularly scheduled, consecutive workdays following the day of death. Employees must inform their Supervisors prior to commencing bereavement leave. In administering this policy, the University may require verification of death.

## 3-10 Voting Leave

In the event an employee does not have sufficient time outside of working hours to vote in a statewide election, if required by state law, the employee may take off enough working time to vote. Such time will be paid if required by state law. This time should be taken at the beginning or end of the regular work schedule. Where possible, your Managers should be notified at least two days prior to the voting day.

## **3-11 Insurance Programs**

Full-time employees may participate in the University's insurance programs. Under these plans, eligible employees will receive comprehensive health and other insurance coverage for themselves and their families, as well as other benefits.

Upon becoming eligible to participate in these plans, you will receive summary plan descriptions (SPDs) describing the benefits in greater detail. Please refer to the SPDs for detailed plan information. Of course, feel free to speak to Human Resources if you have any further questions.

## 3-12 Long-Term Disability Benefits

Full-time employees are eligible to participate in the Long-Term Disability plan, subject to all terms and conditions of the agreement between the University and the insurance carrier.

This is solely a monetary benefit and not a leave of absence. Employees who will be out of work must also request a formal leave of absence. See the Leave of Absence sections of this handbook for more information.

## 3-13 Salary Continuation

Logan University provides enhanced monetary short-term disability benefits at the employee's expense to full-time employees.

This is not a leave of absence provision. Employees who will be out of work must request a leave of absence. See the Leave of Absence sections of this handbook for more information. Employees will be required to submit medical certification as requested by Logan University. Required medical certification under this policy may differ from the medical certification required for any leave of absence requested.

## 3-14 Employee Assistance Program

Logan University provides an employee assistance program for employees. This program offers qualified counselors to help you cope with personal problems you may be facing. Further details can be obtained through Human Resources.

## 3-15 Retirement Plan

Logan's Retirement Contribution: After one-year of employment, all full-time Regular, Standing Faculty, Academic Administrative Faculty and some part-time Regular & Academic Provisional Faculty employees (scheduled to work 1000 hours per year or more) are eligible to receive upto 5% of their base salary into a Logan's 401(a) Retirement Plan. These contributions are 100% vested, meaning the funds are immediately yours. Plan documents control. Please contact Human Resources for a Summary Plan Description.

Employee's Supplemental Retirement Plan: Immediately upon employment, employees may enroll in a voluntary retirement plan with TIAA-CREF. Contribution amounts are dependent upon IRS and plan limitations.

## Section 4 - Leaves of Absence

## 4-1 Personal Leave (non-eligible FMLA)

If employees are ineligible for any other University leave of absence, Logan University, under certain circumstances, may grant a personal leave of absence without pay. A written request for a personal leave should be presented to the University at least two (2) weeks before the anticipated start of the leave. This request should be submitted to Human Resources. If the leave is requested for medical reasons and employees are not eligible for leave under the federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) or any state leave law, medical certification may be requested. The request will be considered on the basis of staffing requirements and the reasons for the requested leave, as well as performance and attendance records. Normally, a leave of absence will be granted for a period of up to **six** (6) weeks. However a personal leave may be extended if, prior to the end of leave, employees submit a written request for an extension to Human Resources and the request is granted. During the leave, employees will not earn vacation, personal days or sick days. We will continue health insurance coverage during the leave if employees submit their share of the monthly premium payments to the University in a timely manner, subject to the terms of the plan documents.

When the employee anticipates returning to work, he or she should notify Human Resources of the expected return date. This notification should be made at least one week before the end of the leave.

Upon completion of the personal leave of absence, the University will attempt to return employees to their original job or a similar position, subject to prevailing University considerations. Reinstatement, however, is not guaranteed.

Failure to advise Human Resources of availability to return to work, failure to return to work when notified or a continued absence from work beyond the time approved by the University will be considered a voluntary resignation of employment.

Personal leave runs concurrently with any University-provided Short-Term Disability Leave of Absence.

## 4-2 Paid Medical Leave (Eligible FMLA)

Logan University recognizes the need for paid time off to allow benefit-eligible employees to achieve work/life balance. This policy provides six weeks of paid leave for non-faculty employees and twelve weeks to faculty for medical-related FMLA absences if the employee is out for a minimum of 5 full days for FMLA for their own health.

## **Eligibility**

Eligible employees must meet the following criteria:

Out due to own serious illness for 5 consecutive days (physician approved)

- Have been employed with the university for at least 12 months
- Have worked at least 1,250 hours during the 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the date the leave would begin.
- Be a benefit eligible regular full -time employee (temporary employees are not eligible for this benefit).

In addition, employees must meet one of the following criteria:

- Have given birth to a child.
- A serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the functions of his or her position.

#### Amount, Time Frame and Duration of Paid Parental Leave

- Eligible employees will receive a maximum of six weeks of paid FMLA parental leave per birth, or a serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the functions of his or her position. The fact that a multiple birth occurs (e.g., the birth of twins) does not increase the six-week total amount of paid FMLA leave granted for that event. In addition, in no case will an employee receive more than six weeks of paid FMLA leave in a rolling 12-month period, regardless of whether more than one birth, or serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the functions of his or her position occurs within that 12-month time frame.
- Each week of paid FMLA leave is compensated at 100 percent of the employee's regular, straight-time weekly pay. Paid FMLA leave will be paid on a biweekly basis on regularly scheduled pay dates.
- Approved paid parental leave may be taken immediately following the birth or during the time approved by the medical professional. Paid FMLA leave may not be used or extended beyond the certification from the medical professional.
- Employees must take paid leave in one continuous period.
- Upon termination of the individual's employment, he or she will not be paid for any unused paid FMLA leave for which he or she was eligible.

#### **Coordination with Other Policies**

- In no case will the total amount of leave—whether paid or unpaid—granted to the employee under the FMLA exceed 12 weeks during the 12-month FMLA period.
   Please refer to the Family and Medical Leave Policy for further guidance on FMLA.
- After the paid FMLA leave (and any short-term disability leave for employees) is exhausted, the balance of FMLA leave (if applicable) will be compensated through employees' sick bank and Paid Time Off balance. Upon exhaustion of sick bank and paid time off balances, any remaining leave will be unpaid leave. Please refer to the Family and Medical Leave Policy for further guidance on the FMLA.
- Logan University will maintain all benefits for employees during the paid FMLA leave period just as if they were taking any other company paid leave such as paid time off

- or sick leave. However, if employees leave extend past the six weeks paid leave and they have exhausted their paid time off, and sick bank, the employee will be responsible for their portion of paid benefits.
- If a university holiday occurs while the employee is on paid FMLA leave, such day will be charged to holiday pay; however, such holiday pay will not extend the total paid leave entitlement.

#### **Requests for Paid FMLA Leave**

 The employee will provide his or her supervisor and the human resource department with notice of the request for leave at least 30 days prior to the proposed date of the leave (or if the leave was not foreseeable, as soon as possible). The employee must complete the necessary HR forms and provide all documentation as required by the HR department to substantiate the request.

## 4-3 Military Leave

If employees are called into active military service or enlist in the uniformed services, they will be eligible to receive an unpaid military leave of absence. To be eligible for military leave, employees must provide Human Resources with advance notice of service obligations unless they are prevented from providing such notice by military necessity or it is otherwise impossible or unreasonable to provide such notice. Provided the absence does not exceed applicable statutory limitations, employees will retain reemployment rights and accrue seniority and benefits in accordance with applicable federal and state laws. Residents of other states may have different requirements under applicable state or local law. Employees should ask Human Resources for further information about eligibility for Military Leave.

If employees are required to attend yearly Reserves or National Guard duty, they can apply for an unpaid temporary military leave of absence not to exceed the number of days allowed by law (including travel). They should give the University as much advance notice of their need for military leave as possible so that we can maintain proper coverage while employees are away.

## 4-4 Family and Medical Leave

#### The Leave Policy

Employees may be entitled to a leave of absence under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA). This policy provides employees information concerning FMLA entitlements and obligations employees may have during such leaves. If employees have any questions concerning FMLA leave, they should contact the Human Resource Office.

#### I. Eligibility

FMLA leave is available to "eligible employees." To be an "eligible employee," an employee must: 1) have been employed by the University for at least 12 months (which need not be consecutive); 2) have been employed by the University for at least 1,250 hours of service during the 12-month period immediately preceding the commencement of the leave; and 3) be employed at a worksite where 50 or more employees are located within 75 miles of the worksite.

#### II. Entitlements

As described below, the FMLA provides eligible employees with a right to leave, health insurance benefits and, with some limited exceptions, job restoration.

#### A. Basic FMLA Leave Entitlement

The FMLA provides eligible employees up to 12 work weeks of unpaid leave for certain family and medical reasons during a 12-month period. The 12-month period is determined based on a rolling 12-month period measured backward from the date an employee uses his/her FMLA leave. Leave may be taken for any one, or for a combination, of the following reasons:

- To care for the employee's child after birth or placement for adoption or foster care;
- To care for the employee's spouse, son, daughter or parent (but not in-law) who has a **serious health condition**:
- For the employee's own serious health condition (including any period of incapacity due to pregnancy, prenatal medical care or childbirth) that makes the employee unable to perform one or more of the essential functions of the employee's job; and/or
- Because of any qualifying exigency arising out of the fact that an employee's spouse, son, daughter or parent is a military member on covered active duty or called to covered active duty status (or has been notified of an impending call or order to covered active duty) in the Reserves component of the Armed Forces for deployment to a foreign country in support of contingency operation or Regular Armed Forces for deployment to a foreign country.

A **serious health condition** is an illness, injury, impairment or physical or mental condition that involves either an overnight stay in a medical care facility, or continuing treatment by a health care provider for a condition that either prevents the employee from performing the functions of the employee's job, or prevents the qualified family member from participating in school or other daily activities. Subject to certain conditions, the continuing treatment requirement may be met by a period of incapacity of more than 3 consecutive calendar days combined with at least two visits to a health care provider or one visit and a regimen of continuing treatment, or incapacity due to pregnancy, or incapacity due to a chronic condition. Other conditions may meet the definition of continuing treatment.

Qualifying exigencies may include attending certain military events, arranging for alternative childcare, addressing certain financial and legal arrangements, attending certain counseling

sessions, caring for the parents of the military member on covered active duty and attending post-deployment reintegration briefings.

#### B. Additional Military Family Leave Entitlement (Injured Service member Leave)

In addition to the basic FMLA leave entitlement discussed above, an eligible employee who is the spouse, son, daughter, parent or next of kin of a **covered service member** is entitled to take up to 26 weeks of leave during a single 12-month period to care for the service member with a serious injury or illness. Leave to care for a service member shall only be available during a single-12 month period and, when combined with other FMLA-qualifying leave, may not exceed 26 weeks during the single 12-month period. The single 12-month period begins on the first day an eligible employee takes leave to care for the injured service member.

A "covered service member" is a current member of the Armed Forces, including a member of the National Guard or Reserves, who is undergoing medical treatment, recuperation or therapy, is otherwise in outpatient status or is on the temporary retired list, for a serious injury or illness. These individuals are referred to in this policy as "current members of the Armed Forces." Covered service members also include a veteran who is discharged or released from military services under condition other than dishonorable at any time during the five years preceding the date the eligible employee takes FMLA leave to care for the covered veteran, and who is undergoing medical treatment, recuperation or therapy for a serious injury or illness. These individuals are referred to in this policy as "covered veterans."

The FMLA definitions of a "serious injury or illness" for current Armed Forces members and covered veterans are distinct from the FMLA definition of "serious health condition" applicable to FMLA leave to care for a covered family member.

#### C. Intermittent Leave and Reduced Leave Schedules

FMLA leave usually will be taken for a period of consecutive days, weeks or months. However, employees also are entitled to take FMLA leave intermittently or on a reduced leave schedule when medically necessary due to a serious health condition of the employee or covered family member or the serious injury or illness of a covered service member. Qualifying exigency leave also may be taken on an intermittent basis.

#### D. No Work While on Leave

The taking of another job while on family/medical leave or any other authorized leave of absence is grounds for immediate discharge, to the extent permitted by law.

#### E. Protection of Group Health Insurance Benefits

During FMLA leave, eligible employees are entitled to receive group health plan coverage on the same terms and conditions as if they had continued to work.

#### F. Restoration of Employment and Benefits

At the end of FMLA leave, subject to some exceptions including situations where job restoration of "key employees" will cause the University substantial and grievous economic injury, employees generally have a right to return to the same or equivalent positions with equivalent pay, benefits and other employment terms. The University will notify employees if they qualify as "key employees," if it intends to deny reinstatement, and of their rights in such instances. Use of FMLA leave will not result in the loss of any employment benefit that accrued prior to the start of an eligible employee's FMLA leave.

#### G. Notice of Eligibility for, and Designation of, FMLA Leave

Employees requesting FMLA leave are entitled to receive written notice from the University telling them whether they are eligible for FMLA leave and, if not eligible, the reasons why they are not eligible. When eligible for FMLA leave, employees are entitled to receive written notice of: 1) their rights and responsibilities in connection with such leave; 2) University's designation of leave as FMLA-qualifying or non-qualifying, and if not FMLA-qualifying, the reasons why; and 3) the amount of leave, if known, that will be counted against the employee's leave entitlement.

The University may retroactively designate leave as FMLA leave with appropriate written notice to employees provided the University's failure to designate leave as FMLA-qualifying at an earlier date did not cause harm or injury to the employee. In all cases where leaves qualify for FMLA protection, the University and employee can mutually agree that leave be retroactively designated as FMLA leave.

### III. Employee FMLA Leave Obligations

#### A. Provide Notice of the Need for Leave

Employees who take FMLA leave must timely notify the University of their need for FMLA leave. The following describes the content and timing of such employee notices.

#### 1. Content of Employee Notice

To trigger FMLA leave protections, employees must inform the Human Resource Office of the need for FMLA-qualifying leave and the anticipated timing and duration of the leave, if known. Employees may do this by either requesting FMLA leave specifically, or explaining the reasons for leave so as to allow the University to determine that the leave is FMLA-qualifying. For example, employees might explain that:

- a medical condition renders them unable to perform the functions of their job;
- they are pregnant or have been hospitalized overnight;
- they or a covered family member are under the continuing care of a health care provider;
- the leave is due to a qualifying exigency caused by a military member being on covered active duty or called to covered active duty status to a foreign country; or

• if the leave is for a family member, that the condition renders the family member unable to perform daily activities or that the family member is a covered servicemember with a serious injury or illness.

Calling in "sick," without providing the reasons for the needed leave, will not be considered sufficient notice for FMLA leave under this policy. Employees must respond to the University's questions to determine if absences are potentially FMLA-qualifying.

If employees fail to explain the reasons for FMLA leave, the leave may be denied. When employees seek leave due to FMLA-qualifying reasons for which the University has previously provided FMLA-protected leave, they must specifically reference the qualifying reason for the leave or the need for FMLA leave.

#### 2. Timing of Employee Notice

Employees must provide 30 days' advance notice of the need to take FMLA leave when the need is foreseeable. When 30 days' notice is not possible, or the approximate timing of the need for leave is not foreseeable, employees must provide the University notice of the need for leave as soon as practicable under the facts and circumstances of the particular case. Employees who fail to give 30 days' notice for foreseeable leave without a reasonable excuse for the delay, or otherwise fail to satisfy FMLA notice obligations, may have FMLA leave delayed or denied.

## B. Cooperate in the Scheduling of Planned Medical Treatment (Including Accepting Transfers to Alternative Positions) and Intermittent Leave or Reduced Leave Schedules

When planning medical treatment, employees must consult with the University and make a reasonable effort to schedule treatment so as not to unduly disrupt the University's operations, subject to the approval of an employee's health care provider. Employees must consult with the University prior to the scheduling of treatment to work out a treatment schedule that best suits the needs of both the University and the employees, subject to the approval of an employee's health care provider. If employees providing notice of the need to take FMLA leave on an intermittent basis for planned medical treatment neglect to fulfill this obligation, the University may require employees to attempt to make such arrangements, subject to the approval of the employee's health care provider.

When employees take intermittent or reduced work schedule leave for foreseeable planned medical treatment for the employee or a family member, including during a period of recovery from a serious health condition or to care for a covered servicemember, the University may temporarily transfer employees, during the period that the intermittent or reduced leave schedules are required, to alternative positions with equivalent pay and benefits for which the employees are qualified and which better accommodate recurring periods of leave.

When employees seek intermittent leave or a reduced leave schedule for reasons unrelated to the planning of medical treatment, upon request, employees must advise the University of the reason why such leave is medically necessary. In such instances, the University and employee shall attempt to work out a leave schedule that meets the employee's needs without

unduly disrupting the University's operations, subject to the approval of the employee's health care provider.

## C. Submit Medical Certifications Supporting Need for FMLA Leave (Unrelated to Requests for Military Family Leave)

Depending on the nature of FMLA leave sought, employees may be required to submit medical certifications supporting their need for FMLA-qualifying leave. As described below, there generally are three types of FMLA medical certifications: an **initial certification**, a **recertification** and a **return to work/fitness for duty certification**.

It is the employee's responsibility to provide the University with timely, complete and sufficient medical certifications. Whenever the University requests employees to provide FMLA medical certifications, employees must provide the requested certifications within 15 calendar days after the University's request, unless it is not practicable to do so despite an employee's diligent, good faith efforts. The University will inform employees if submitted medical certifications are incomplete or insufficient and provide employees at least seven calendar days to cure deficiencies. The University will deny FMLA leave to employees who fail to timely cure deficiencies or otherwise fail to timely submit requested medical certifications.

With the employee's permission, the University (through individuals other than an employee's direct manager) may contact the employee's health care provider to authenticate or clarify completed and sufficient medical certifications. If employees choose not to provide the University with authorization allowing it to clarify or authenticate certifications with health care providers, the University may deny FMLA leave if certifications are unclear.

Whenever the University deems it appropriate to do so, it may waive its right to receive timely, complete and/or sufficient FMLA medical certifications.

#### 1. Initial Medical Certifications

Employees requesting leave because of their own, or a covered relation's, serious health condition, or to care for a covered servicemember, must supply medical certification supporting the need for such leave from their health care provider or, if applicable, the health care provider of their covered family or service member. If employees provide at least 30 days' notice of medical leave, they should submit the medical certification before leave begins. A new initial medical certification will be required on an annual basis for serious medical conditions lasting beyond a single leave year.

If the University has reason to doubt initial medical certifications, it may require employees to obtain a second opinion at the University's expense. If the opinions of the initial and second health care providers differ, the University may, at its expense, require employees to obtain a third, final and binding certification from a health care provider designated or approved jointly by the University and the employee.

#### 2. Medical Recertification

Depending on the circumstances and duration of FMLA leave, the University may require employees to provide recertification of medical conditions giving rise to the need for leave. The University will notify employees if recertification is required and will give employees at least 15 calendar days to provide medical recertification.

#### 3. Return to Work/Fitness for Duty Medical Certifications

Unless notified that providing such certifications is not necessary, employees returning to work from FMLA leaves that were taken because of their own serious health conditions that made them unable to perform their jobs must provide the University with medical certification confirming they are able to return to work and the employees' ability to perform the essential functions of the employees' position, with or without reasonable accommodation. The University may delay and/or deny job restoration until employees provide return to work/fitness for duty certifications.

#### D. Submit Certifications Supporting Need for Military Family Leave

Upon request, the first time employees seek leave due to qualifying exigencies arising out of the covered active duty or call to covered active duty status of a military member, the University may require employees to provide: 1) a copy of the military member's active duty orders or other documentation issued by the military indicating the military member is on covered active duty or call to covered active duty status and the dates of the military member's covered active duty service; and 2) a certification from the employee setting forth information concerning the nature of the qualifying exigency for which leave is requested. Employees shall provide a copy of new active duty orders or other documentation issued by the military for leaves arising out of qualifying exigencies arising out of a different covered active duty or call to covered active duty status of the same or a different military member.

When leave is taken to care for a covered servicemember with a serious injury or illness, the University may require employees to obtain certifications completed by an authorized health care provider of the covered servicemember. In addition, and in accordance with the FMLA regulations, the University may request that the certification submitted by employees set forth additional information provided by the employee and/or the covered servicemember confirming entitlement to such leave.

#### E. Substitute Paid Leave for Unpaid FMLA Leave

Employees must use any accrued paid time while taking unpaid FMLA leave.

The substitution of paid time for unpaid FMLA leave time does not extend the length of FMLA leave and the paid time will run concurrently with an employee's FMLA entitlement.

Leaves of absence taken in connection with a disability leave plan or workers' compensation injury/illness shall run concurrently with any FMLA leave entitlement.

#### F. Pay Employee's Share of Health Insurance Premiums

During FMLA leave, employees are entitled to continued group health plan coverage under the same conditions as if they had continued to work. Unless the University notifies employees of other arrangements, whenever employees are receiving pay from the University during FMLA leave, the University will deduct the employee portion of the group health plan premium from the employee's paycheck in the same manner as if the employee was actively working.

If FMLA leave is unpaid, employees must pay their portion of the group health premium through a "pay-as-you-go" method.

#### IV. Questions and/or Complaints about FMLA Leave

If you have questions regarding this FMLA policy, please contact the Human Resource Office. The University is committed to complying with the FMLA and, whenever necessary, shall interpret and apply this policy in a manner consistent with the FMLA.

The FMLA makes it unlawful for employers to: 1) interfere with, restrain or deny the exercise of any right provided under FMLA; or 2) discharge or discriminate against any person for opposing any practice made unlawful by FMLA or involvement in any proceeding under or relating to FMLA. If employees believe their FMLA rights have been violated, they should contact Human Resource Office immediately. The University will investigate any FMLA complaints and take prompt and appropriate remedial action to address and/or remedy any FMLA violation. Employees also may file FMLA complaints with the United States Department of Labor or may bring private lawsuits alleging FMLA violations.

#### V. Coordination of FMLA Leave with Other Leave Policies

The FMLA does not affect any federal, state or local law prohibiting discrimination, or supersede any State or local law or collective bargaining agreement that provides greater family or medical leave rights. For additional information concerning leave entitlements and obligations that might arise when FMLA leave is either not available or exhausted, please consult the University's other leave policies in this handbook or contact the Human Resource Office.

### 4-5 Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

In compliance with applicable law, the University provides unpaid leave and accommodations to individuals who themselves have been the victim of domestic violence or sexual violence; or who have a household member who is a victim of domestic or sexual violence whose interests are not adverse to the employee as it relates to the domestic or sexual violence.

#### I. Leave for Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

The University will provide up to unpaid leave, as required by law, to eligible employees who are (1) seeking medical attention for, or recovering from, physical or psychological injuries caused by domestic violence or sexual violence, as defined herein, against the employee or

the employee's family or household member; (2) obtaining victim services for the employee or the employee's family or household member; (3) obtaining psychological or other counseling for the employee or the employee's family or household member; (4) participating in safety planning, including temporary or permanent relocation, or other actions to increase the employee or the employee's family or household member's safety from future domestic or sexual violence or to ensure economic security; or (5) seeking legal assistance or remedies to ensure the health and safety of the employee or the employee's family or household member, including preparing for or participating in court proceedings related to the violence.

Such leave will not exceed two (2) weeks; this policy does not create a right to take unpaid leave that exceeds the amount of unpaid leave allowed under the FMLA.

Employees who are residents of other states may be entitled to additional leave in accordance with state law. Please see Human Resources. If employees have any questions or need to request this leave, they should contact the Human Resource Office.

#### **II. Safety Accommodation Requests**

The University will also make reasonable safety accommodations in a timely manner to known limitations resulting from the domestic or sexual violence experiences of an eligible employee or an eligible employee's a family or household member unless such accommodation would result in an undue hardship for the University. Examples of accommodations for eligible employees include:

- adjustment to a job structure, workplace facility or work requirement;
- a transfer or reassignment;
- a modified schedule:
- leave from work (as described above);
- a changed telephone number or seating assignment;
- installation of a lock or implementation of a safety procedure; or
- assistance in documenting domestic violence that occurs at the workplace or in work-related settings, in response to actual or threatened domestic violence.

If employees have any questions or need to request safety accommodations, they should contact the Human Resource Office.

#### **III. Definitions**

- 1. "Abuse" means any physical injury, sexual abuse, or emotional abuse inflicted on a child other than by accidental means by those responsible for the child's care, custody, and control. Victims of abuse shall also include any victims of sex trafficking or severe forms of trafficking as those terms are defined in 22 U.S.C. 78 Section 7102(9)-(10).
- 2. "Domestic violence" means abuse or stalking committed by a family or household member, as such terms are defined in this policy.
- 3. "Family or household member" means a spouse, parent, son, daughter, other person related by blood or by present or prior marriage, other person who shares

a relationship through a son or daughter, and persons jointly residing in the same household.

- 4. "Sexual violence" means sexual assault (causing or attempting to cause another to engage involuntarily in any sexual act by force, threat of force, duress, or without that person's consent) or trafficking for the purposes of sexual exploitation.
- 5. "Victim of domestic or sexual violence" means an individual who has been subjected to domestic violence, sexual violence, or abuse.

#### IV. Notice and Documentation

An employee must provide the University with at least 48 hours' advance notice of the need for leave under this Policy unless such notice is impractical, and in which case, the notice must be given as soon as possible. The University may, in its discretion, require documentation showing that the employee is eligible for leave under this Policy (such as a police report or documentation from a victim services organization, medical professional, attorney, member of the clergy, or another professional from whom the employee or the employee's family or household member has sought assistance in addressing domestic or sexual violence and/or the effects of such violence) and/or a sworn statement from the employee.

If an employee requests a reasonable safety accommodation under this Policy, the University may, in its discretion, require the employee to provide a written statement signed by the employee or an individual acting on the employee's behalf, certifying that the employee is eligible for a reasonable safety accommodation under this Policy.

If documentation is requested by the University under this Policy, such documentation will be maintained by the University in the strictest confidence and will not be disclosed unless consent is provided by the employee or disclosure is otherwise required by applicable federal or state law.

#### V. Benefits During Leave

Eligible employees who take leave under this Policy will be entitled to maintain all accrued benefits through the University. Additionally, the eligible employee will continue to be covered by the University's group health insurance policy while taking leave under this Policy at the same level and under the same conditions coverage would have been provided if the eligible employee had continued employment with the University continuously for the duration of such leave, assuming the eligible employee participated in the University's group health insurance coverage prior to taking leave under this Policy.

If an eligible employee fails to return to work after the expiration of leave under this Policy for any reason other than the continuation, recurrence, or onset of domestic violence, sexual violence, abuse, a sexual assault, or human trafficking that entitled the employee to leave under this Policy or for other circumstances beyond the control of the eligible employee, the University may seek reimbursement for the premiums paid by the University, if any, for maintaining coverage under the University's group health insurance plan for the eligible

employee's and/or the eligible employee's family or household member(s), if applicable, during leave under this Policy.

### VI. Retaliation Prohibited

The University will not retaliate against eligible employees for taking or requesting leave or a reasonable safety accommodation under this Policy. Any eligible employee who takes leave under this Policy shall be entitled, on return from such leave, to be restored to the position of employment held by the eligible employee when the leave commenced or an equivalent position with equivalent employment benefits, pay, and other terms and conditions of employment.

## Section 5 - General Standards of Conduct

## **5-1 Workplace Conduct**

Logan University endeavors to maintain a positive work environment. Each employee plays a role in fostering this environment. Accordingly, we all must abide by certain rules of conduct, based on honesty, common sense and fair play.

Because everyone may not have the same idea about proper workplace conduct, it is helpful to adopt and enforce rules all can follow. Unacceptable conduct may subject the offender to disciplinary action, up to and including discharge, in the University's sole discretion. The following are examples of some, but not all, conduct which can be considered unacceptable:

- 1. Obtaining employment on the basis of false or misleading information.
- 2. Stealing, removing or defacing Logan University property or a co-worker's property, and/or disclosure of confidential information.
- 3. Completing another employee's time records.
- 4. Violation of safety rules and policies.
- 5. Violation of Logan University's Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace Policy.
- 6. Fighting, threatening or disrupting the work of others or other violations of Logan University's Workplace Violence Policy.
- 7. Failure to follow lawful instructions of a manager.
- 8. Failure to perform assigned job duties.
- 9. Violation of the Punctuality and Attendance Policy, including but not limited to irregular attendance, habitual lateness or unexcused absences.
- 10. Gambling on University property.
- 11. Willful or careless destruction or damage to University assets or to the equipment or possessions of another employee.
- 12. Wasting work materials.
- 13. Performing work of a personal nature during working time.
- 14. Violation of the Solicitation and Distribution Policy.
- 15. Violation of Logan University's Harassment or Equal Employment Opportunity Policies.
- 16. Violation of the Communication and Computer Systems Policy.
- 17. Unsatisfactory job performance.
- 18. Any other violation of University policy.

Obviously, not every type of misconduct can be listed. Note that all employees are employed at-will, and Logan University reserves the right to impose whatever discipline it chooses, or none at all, in a particular instance. The University will deal with each situation individually and nothing in this handbook should be construed as a promise of specific treatment in a given situation. However, Logan University will endeavor to utilize progressive discipline but reserves the right in its sole discretion to terminate employment at any time for any reason.

The observance of these rules will help to ensure that our workplace remains a safe and desirable place to work.

## **5-2 Punctuality and Attendance**

Employees are hired to perform important functions at Logan University. As with any group effort, operating effectively takes cooperation and commitment from everyone. Therefore, attendance and punctuality are very important. Unnecessary absences and lateness are expensive, disruptive and place an unfair burden on students, fellow employees and supervisors. We expect excellent attendance from all employees. Excessive absenteeism or tardiness will result in disciplinary action up to and including discharge.

We do recognize, however, there are times when absences and tardiness cannot be avoided. In such cases, employees are expected to notify their supervisor as early as possible, but no later than the start of the work day. Asking another employee, friend or relative to give this notice is improper and constitutes grounds for disciplinary action. Employees should call, stating the nature of the illness and its expected duration, for every day of absenteeism.

Unreported absences of three (3) consecutive work days generally will be considered a voluntary resignation of employment with the University.

## 5-3 Use of Communications and Computer Systems

Logan University's communication and computer systems are intended primarily for University purposes; however limited personal usage is permitted if it does not hinder performance of job duties or violate any other University policy. This includes the voice mail, e-mail and Internet systems. Users have no legitimate expectation of privacy in regard to their use of the Logan University systems.

Logan University may access the voice mail and e-mail systems and obtain the communications within the systems, including past voice mail and e-mail messages, without notice to users of the system, in the ordinary course of business when the University deems it appropriate to do so. The reasons for which the University may obtain such access include, but are not limited to: maintaining the system; preventing or investigating allegations of system abuse or misuse; assuring compliance with software copyright laws; complying with legal and regulatory requests for information; and ensuring that University operations continue appropriately during an employee's absence.

Further, Logan University may review Internet usage to ensure that such use with University property, or communications sent via the Internet with University property, are appropriate. The reasons for which the University may review employees' use of the Internet with University property include, but are not limited to: maintaining the system; preventing or investigating allegations of system abuse or misuse; assuring compliance with software copyright laws; complying with legal and regulatory requests for information; and ensuring that University operations continue appropriately during an employee's absence.

The University may store electronic communications for a period of time after the communication is created. From time to time, copies of communications may be deleted.

The University's policies prohibiting harassment, in their entirety, apply to the use of University's communication and computer systems. No one may use any communication or computer system in a manner that may be construed by others as harassing or offensive based on race, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, religious beliefs or any other characteristic protected by federal, state or local law.

Further, since the University's communication and computer systems are intended for University use, all employees, upon request, must inform the University of any private access codes or passwords.

Unauthorized duplication of copyrighted computer software violates the law and is strictly prohibited.

No employee may access, or attempt to obtain access to, another employee's computer systems without appropriate authorization.

Violators of this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including discharge.

#### 5-4 Use of Social Media

Logan University respects the right of any employee to maintain a blog or web page or to participate in a social networking, Twitter or similar site, including but not limited to Facebook and LinkedIn. However, to protect University interests and ensure employees focus on their job duties, employees must adhere to the following rules:

All rules regarding confidential and proprietary University information apply in full to blogs, web pages and social networking platforms, such as Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn or similar sites. Any information that cannot be disclosed through a conversation, a note or an e-mail also cannot be disclosed in a blog, web page or social networking site.

Whether an employee is posting something on his or her own blog, web page, social networking, Twitter or similar site or on someone else's, if the employee mentions the University and also expresses either a political opinion or an opinion regarding the University's actions that could pose an actual or potential conflict of interest with the University, the poster must include a disclaimer. The poster should specifically state that the opinion expressed is his/her personal opinion and not the University's position. This is necessary to preserve the University's good will in the marketplace.

Any conduct that is impermissible under the law if expressed in any other form or forum is impermissible if expressed through a blog, web page, social networking, Twitter or similar site. For example, posted material that is discriminatory, obscene, defamatory, libelous or violent is forbidden. University policies apply equally to employee social media usage.

Logan University encourages all employees to keep in mind the speed and manner in which information posted on a blog, web page, and/or social networking site is received and often misunderstood by readers. Employees must use their best judgment. Employees with any questions should review the guidelines above and/or consult with their supervisor. Failure to follow these guidelines may result in discipline, up to and including discharge.

#### 5-5 ACCEPTABLE USE OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

This Acceptable Use of Technology Resources Policy explains the acceptable and unacceptable uses of Logan's technology resources. It applies to all users of Logan's technology resources.

#### 1. Technology Resources Are for Educational and University Business Use.

- A. Logan University purchases and provides access to technology resources (equipment, software and services) for use by the staff, faculty and students. The primary purpose of these technology resources is to support Logan's educational mission and enable day-to-day University operations.
- B. These technology resources include but are not limited to: computers, software, internet access, online services, databases, telecommunications equipment, networking equipment, and monitors/projectors.

#### 2. Use Must Be Legal and Ethical.

- A. Technology resources must only be used for lawful purposes. Users of Logan's technology resources must follow all federal, Missouri, and other applicable laws. Examples of applicable laws include but are not limited to the laws of defamation, privacy, copyright, trademark, obscenity, and child pornography. Users must follow the University policies for student, faculty and staff conduct, and any contractual or license requirements.
- B. Technology resources may not be used for any purpose that is illegal, immoral, unethical, dishonest, damaging to the reputation of the University, inconsistent with the mission and values of the University, or likely to subject the University to harm. Users should avoid nuisance emails such as chain letters, and never use University technology resources to post, view, print, store, or send obscene, pornographic, sexually explicit, harassing or offensive material.

#### 3. Use Must Be Authorized and Secure.

A. All Logan University community members are responsible for their own use of the University's information technology resources, both on and off-campus. Users must maintain good habits of personal safety and privacy while accessing the Internet, and are responsible for ensuring that their activities do not endanger, impede access to, or threaten the privacy or security of others' information or systems.

#### 4. Use Must Recognize That Resources Are Shared.

A. Because Logan's technology resources have a limited capacity, and are shared by all users; staff, faculty and students must restrict their use of the resources to what is needed for authorized activities. Users must not consume such an unreasonable amount of technology resources that they degrade the resources for other users. If necessary, Logan may require users of technology resources to limit or refrain from specific uses.

#### 5. Use Must Recognize That Resources Are Not Private.

- A. Logan's technology resources are not private. The University reserves the right to inspect the activities, communication and accounts of individual users of Logan's technology resources as needed and without notice, except as prohibited by law. In its discretion, the University may use or disclose the results of any inspection, including the contents and records of individual communications, to University personnel, third parties, or law enforcement agencies
- B. The University may inspect its technology resources when it determines it is necessary, including but not limited to the following:
  - To protect the integrity, security, or functionality of University or other technology resources, or to protect the University from harm.
  - If there is reasonable cause to believe that a user has violated, or is violating any Logan policy or applicable civil or criminal law.
  - If an information technology resource is experiencing unusually excessive activity.

### 6. Use Must Be Compatible with Logan's Mission.

- A. Logan's technology resources are not private. The University reserves the right to inspect the activities, communication and accounts of individual users of Logan's technology resources as needed and without notice, except as prohibited by law. In its discretion, the University may use or disclose the results of any inspection, including the contents and records of individual communications, to University personnel, third parties, or law enforcement agencies.
- B. The University permits occasional personal use of technology resources on a limited basis. Such use must not consume a significant amount of Logan's technology resources, interfere with job performance or with other University responsibilities, interfere with the efficient operation of the University or its technology resources, and must be otherwise in compliance with Logan policy.

#### 7. Use Must Respect Copyright.

A. Users of Logan's technology resources must honor the rights of copyright owners, and not participate in the unauthorized use, distribution, or reproduction of copyrighted materials, including but not limited to music or video files. The University investigates any claims of possible copyright infringement taking place through its computer networks. Users who violate copyright law, including the use of peer-to-peer networks, may be subject to civil or criminal liabilities

#### 8. Logan Will Enforce This Policy.

A. Access to Logan's technology resources is a privilege. Abuse of the privilege may result in disciplinary procedures and/or legal action as described in Logan's policies and handbooks. In some situations, Logan may be required to immediately disable technology resources and suspend access privileges where unacceptable use is severely impacting system performance or security.

## 5-6 Inspections

Logan University reserves the right to inspect an employee's work area and the University's property or equipment to protect the property and safety of student's employees, and other individuals on the University's campus and to prevent the use or possession of weapons on the University's campus. If the inspection reveals violations of University policy, the employee may be subject to corrective action up to and including termination of employment. Additionally, any illegal activity discovered during an inspection may be referred to law enforcement.

## 5-7 Smoking

Smoking, including the use of e-cigarettes, is prohibited on University premises and in all University vehicles.

## **5-8 Personal Visits and Telephone Calls**

Disruptions during work time can lead to errors and delays. Therefore, we ask that personal telephone calls be kept to a minimum, and only be made or received after working time, or during lunch or break time.

For safety and security reasons, employees are required to get the approval of their supervisor when having personal guests visit or accompany them anywhere in our facilities other than the reception areas.

### 5-9 Solicitation and Distribution

To avoid distractions, solicitation by an employee of another employee is prohibited while either employee is on work time and in all immediate patient care areas. "Work time" is defined as the time an employee is engaged, or should be engaged, in performing his/her work tasks for Logan University. Solicitation of any kind by non-employees on University premises is prohibited at all times.

Distribution of advertising material, handbills, printed or written literature of any kind in immediate patient care areas and all other working areas of University is prohibited at all times. Distribution of literature by non-employees on University premises is prohibited at all times.

#### 5-10 Bulletin Boards

Important notices and items of general interest are continually posted on our monitor's and HR bulletin board. Employees should make it a practice to review it frequently. This will assist employees in keeping up with what is current at Logan University. To avoid confusion, employees should not post or remove any material from the bulletin board.

## 5-11 Confidential University Information

During the course of work, an employee may become aware of confidential information about Logan University, including but not limited to information regarding University finances, pricing, products and new product development, software and computer programs, marketing strategies, suppliers and customers and potential customers. An employee also may become aware of similar confidential information belonging to the University's clients. It is extremely important that all such information remain confidential, and particularly not be disclosed to our competitors. Any employee who improperly copies, removes (whether physically or electronically), uses or discloses confidential information to anyone outside of the University may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination. Employees may be required to sign an agreement reiterating these obligations.

#### 5-12 Conflict of Interest and Business Ethics

It is Logan University's policy that all employees avoid any conflict between their personal interests and those of the University. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the University's honesty and integrity, and therefore its reputation, are not compromised. The fundamental principle guiding this policy is that no employee should have, or appear to have, personal interests or relationships that actually or potentially conflict with the best interests of the University.

It is not possible to give an exhaustive list of situations that might involve violations of this policy. However, the situations that would constitute a conflict in most cases include but are not limited to:

- holding an interest in or accepting free or discounted goods from any organization that does, or is seeking to do, business with the University, by any employee who is in a position to directly or indirectly influence either the University's decision to do business, or the terms upon which business would be done with such organization;
- 2. holding any interest in an organization that competes with the University;
- 3. being employed by (including as a consultant) or serving on the board of any organization which does, or is seeking to do, business with the University or which competes with the University; and/or
- 4. profiting personally, e.g., through commissions, loans, expense reimbursements or other payments, from any organization seeking to do business with the University.

A conflict of interest would also exist when a member of an employee's immediate family is involved in situations such as those above.

This policy is not intended to prohibit the acceptance of modest courtesies, openly given and accepted as part of the usual business amenities, for example, occasional business-related meals or promotional items of nominal or minor value.

It is your responsibility to report any actual or potential conflict that may exist between you (and your immediate family) and the University.

# 5-13 Use of Facilities, Equipment and Property, Including Intellectual Property

Equipment essential in accomplishing job duties is often expensive and may be difficult to replace. When using property, employees are expected to exercise care, perform required maintenance, and follow all operating instructions, safety standards and guidelines.

Employees should notify their supervisor if any equipment, machines, or tools appear to be damaged, defective, or in need of repair. Prompt reporting of loss, damages, defects, and the need for repairs could prevent deterioration of equipment and possible injury to employees or others. The supervisor can answer any questions about an employee's responsibility for maintenance and care of equipment used on the job.

Employees also are prohibited from any unauthorized use of the University's intellectual property, such as audio and video tapes, print materials and software.

Improper, careless, negligent, destructive, or unsafe use or operation of equipment can result in discipline, up to and including discharge.

Further, the University is not responsible for any damage to employees' personal belongings unless the employee's supervisor provided advance approval for the employee to bring the personal property to work.

## 5-14 Health and Safety

The health and safety of employees and others on University property are of critical concern to Logan University. The University intends to comply with all health and safety laws applicable to the University. To this end, we must rely upon employees to ensure that work areas are kept safe and free of hazardous conditions. Employees are required to be conscientious about workplace safety, including proper operating methods, and recognize dangerous conditions or hazards. Any unsafe conditions or potential hazards should be reported to the University immediately, even if the problem appears to be corrected. Any suspicion of a concealed danger present on the University's premises, or in a product, facility, piece of equipment, process or practice for which the University is responsible should be brought to the attention of the University immediately.

Periodically, the University may issue rules and guidelines governing workplace safety and health. The University may also issue rules and guidelines regarding the handling and disposal of hazardous substances and waste. All employees should familiarize themselves with these rules and guidelines, as strict compliance will be expected.

Any workplace injury, accident, or illness must be reported to the employee's supervisor and security as soon as possible, regardless of the severity of the injury or accident. Employees should see the Workers' Compensation/Job Related Incidents policy for more information.

## 5-15 Hiring Relatives/Employee Relationships

A familial relationship among employees can create an actual or at least a potential conflict of interest in the employment setting, especially where one relative supervises another relative. To avoid this problem, Logan University may refuse to hire or place a relative in a position where the potential for favoritism or conflict exists.

In other cases, such as personal relationships where a conflict or the potential for conflict arises, even if there is no manager relationship involved, the parties may be separated by reassignment or discharged from employment, at the discretion of the University. Accordingly, all parties to any type of intimate personal relationship must inform Human Resources.

If two employees marry, become related, or enter into an intimate relationship, they may not remain in a reporting relationship or in positions where one individual may affect the compensation or other terms or conditions of employment of the other individual. The University generally will attempt to identify other available positions, but if no alternate position is available, the University retains the right to decide which employee will remain with the University.

For the purposes of this policy, a relative is any person who is related by blood or marriage, or whose relationship with the employee is similar to that of persons who are related by blood or marriage.

## 5-16 Employee Dress and Personal Appearance

You are expected to report to work well groomed, clean, and dressed according to the requirements of your position. Some employees may be required to wear uniforms or safety equipment/clothing. Please contact your manager for specific information regarding acceptable attire for your position. If you report to work dressed or groomed inappropriately, you may be prevented from working until you return to work well-groomed and wearing the proper attire.

## 5-17 Publicity/Statements to the Media

All media inquiries regarding the position of the University as to any issues must be referred to the President and/or the Head of Communications. Only the President and/or the Head of Communications is authorized to make or approve public statements on behalf of the University. No employees, unless specifically designated by the President and/or the Head of Communications, are authorized to make those statements on behalf of University. Any employee wishing to write and/or publish an article, paper, or other publication on behalf of the University must first obtain approval from the President and/or the Head of Communications.

## 5-18 Operation of Vehicles

All employees authorized to drive University-owned or leased vehicles or personal vehicles in conducting University business must possess a current, valid driver's license and an acceptable driving record. Any change in license status or driving record must be reported to Human Resources immediately.

An employee must have a valid driver's license in his or her possession while operating a vehicle off or on University property. It is the responsibility of every employee to drive safely and obey all traffic, vehicle safety, and parking laws or regulations. Drivers must demonstrate safe driving habits at all times.

University-owned or leased vehicles may be used only as authorized by the University.

#### Portable Communication Device Use While Driving

Employees who drive on University business must abide by all state or local laws prohibiting or limiting portable communication device (PCD) use, including cell phones or personal digital assistants, while driving. Further, even if use is permitted, employees may choose to refrain from using any PCD while driving. "Use" includes, but is not limited to, talking or listening to another person or sending an electronic or text message via the PCD.

Regardless of the circumstances, including slow or stopped traffic, if any use is permitted while driving, employees should proceed to a safe location off the road and safely stop the vehicle before placing or accepting a call. If acceptance of a call is absolutely necessary while the employee is driving, and permitted by law, the employee must use a hands-free option and advise the caller that he/she is unable to speak at that time and will return the call shortly.

Under no circumstances should employees feel that they need to place themselves at risk to fulfill the University needs.

Since this policy does not require any employee to use a PCD while driving, employees who are charged with traffic violations resulting from the use of their PCDs while driving will be solely responsible for all liabilities that result from such actions.

Texting and e-mailing while driving is prohibited in all circumstances.

## 5-19 University Expense Reimbursement

Employees will be reimbursed for reasonable approved expenses incurred in the course of University. These expenses must be approved by the employee's supervisor, and may include air travel, hotels, motels, meals, cab fare, rental vehicles, or gas and car mileage for personal vehicles. All expenses incurred should be submitted to the employee's supervisor along with the receipts in a timely manner.

Employees are expected to exercise restraint and good judgment when incurring expenses. Employees should contact their supervisor in advance if they have any questions about whether an expense will be reimbursed.

#### 5-20 References

Logan University will respond to reference requests through the Human Resources Department. The University will provide general information concerning the employee such as date of hire, date of discharge, and positions held. Requests for reference information must be in writing, and responses will be in writing. Please refer all requests for references to the Human Resources Department.

Only the Human Resources Department can provide references.

#### 5-21 If You Must Leave Us

Should an employee decide to leave the University, we ask that he or she provide a supervisor with at least 2 weeks advance notice of departure. Thoughtfulness will be appreciated. All University, property including, but not limited to, keys, security cards, parking passes, laptop computers, fax machines, uniforms, etc., must be returned at separation. Employees also must return all of the University's Confidential Information upon separation. To the extent permitted by law, employees will be required to repay the University, (through payroll deduction, if lawful) for any lost or damaged University, property. As noted previously, all employees are employed at-will and nothing in this handbook changes that status.

#### 5-22 Exit Interviews

Employees who resign are requested to participate in an exit interview with Human Resources, if possible.

## 5-23 A Few Closing Words

This handbook is intended to give employees a broad summary of things they should know about Logan University. The information in this handbook is general in nature and, should questions arise, the Vice President of Human Resources should be consulted for complete details. While we intend to continue the policies, rules and benefits described in this handbook,

Logan University, in its sole discretion, may always amend, add to, delete from or modify the provisions of this handbook and/or change its interpretation of any provision set forth in this handbook. Employees should not hesitate to speak to the Human Resources Office if they have any questions about the University or its personnel policies and practices.

## Section 6 - California Addendum

## 6-1 Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation Prevention

Logan University does not tolerate and prohibits discrimination, harassment or retaliation of or against job applicants, contractors, interns, volunteers or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or third party based on actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, age, sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and related medical conditions), sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression (including transgender status), national origin, ancestry, marital status, protected medical condition as defined by state law (including cancer or genetic characteristics), physical or mental disability, military and veteran status, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state, or local laws and ordinances. The University is committed to a workplace free of discrimination, harassment and retaliation.

Our management team is dedicated to ensuring the fulfillment of this policy as it applies to all terms and conditions of employment, including recruitment, hiring, placement, promotion, transfer, training, compensation, benefits, employee activities and general treatment during employment.

#### **Discrimination Defined**

Discrimination under this policy means treating differently or denying or granting a benefit to an individual because of the individual's protected characteristic.

#### **Harassment Defined**

Harassment is defined in this policy as unwelcome verbal, visual or physical conduct creating an intimidating, an offensive or a hostile work environment that interferes with work performance. Harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays or e-mails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another, blocking someone's way, etc.) that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual because of any protected characteristic. Such conduct violates this policy, even if it is not unlawful. Because it is difficult to define unlawful harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

#### **Sexual Harassment Defined**

Sexual harassment can include all of the above actions, as well as other unwelcome conduct, such as unwelcome or unsolicited sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, conversations regarding sexual activities, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature. Sexual harassment includes unwelcome or unwanted conduct that is either of a sexual nature or directed at an individual because of that individual's sex when:

 submission to that conduct or to those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment;

- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Examples of conduct that violate this policy include:

- 1. unwelcome or unwanted sexual advances, flirtations, advances, leering, whistling, touching, pinching, assault and blocking normal movement;
- 2. requests for sexual favors or demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment;
- 3. obscene or vulgar gestures, posters or comments;
- 4. sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies:
- 5. propositions or suggestive or insulting comments of a sexual nature;
- 6. derogatory cartoons, posters and drawings;
- 7. sexually explicit e-mails, text messages or voicemails;
- 8. uninvited touching of a sexual nature;
- 9. unwelcome or unwanted sexually related comments;
- 10. conversation about one's own or someone else's sex life:
- 11. conduct or comments consistently targeted at only one gender, even if the content is not sexual; and
- 12. teasing or other conduct directed toward a person because of the person's gender.

#### **Retaliation Defined**

Retaliation means adverse conduct taken because an individual reported an actual or a perceived violation of this policy, opposed practices prohibited by this policy, or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below. "Adverse conduct" includes but is not limited to:

- shunning and avoiding an individual who reports harassment, discrimination or retaliation;
- express or implied threats or intimidation intended to prevent an individual from reporting harassment, discrimination or retaliation; and
- denying employment benefits because an applicant or employee reported harassment, discrimination or retaliation or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below.

All discrimination, harassment and retaliation is unacceptable in the workplace and in any work-related settings such as business trips and business-related social functions, regardless of whether the conduct is engaged in by a supervisor, a coworker, a client, a customer, a vendor or another third party.

#### **Reporting Procedures**

The following steps have been put into place to ensure the work environment is respectful, professional, and free of discrimination, harassment and retaliation. If the employee believes someone has violated this policy or the Equal Employment Opportunity Policy, the employee should promptly bring the matter to the immediate attention of the Head of Human Resources. (Phone numbers are available through the University directory.) If this individual is the person toward whom the complaint is directed, the employee should contact any higher-level manager in the reporting chain. If the employee makes a complaint under this policy and has not received a satisfactory response within five (5) business days, Chief of Compliance should be contacted immediately. (Phone numbers are available through the University directory.)

Every supervisor who learns of any employee's concern about conduct in violation of this policy, whether in a formal complaint or informally, must immediately report the issues raised to the Head of Human Resources.

#### **Investigation Procedures**

Upon receiving a complaint, the University will promptly conduct a fair and thorough investigation into the facts and circumstances of any claim of a violation of this policy or the Equal Employment Opportunity policy. To the extent possible, the University will endeavor to keep the reporting employee's concerns confidential. However, complete confidentiality may not be possible in all circumstances.

During the investigation, the University generally will interview the complainant and the accused, conduct further interviews as necessary, and review any relevant documents or other information. Upon completion of the investigation, the University shall determine whether this policy has been violated based on its reasonable evaluation of the information gathered during the investigation. The University will inform the complainant and the accused of the results of the investigation.

The University will take corrective measures against any person who it finds to have engaged in conduct in violation of this policy, if the University determines such measures are necessary. These measures may include, but are not limited to, counseling, suspension or immediate termination. Anyone, regardless of position or title, who the University determines has engaged in conduct that violates this policy will be subject to discipline up to and including termination.

#### **Training**

All Employees are required to undergo harassment prevention training as required by applicable law. For more information about this training requirement, visit <a href="https://www.dfeh.ca.gov/shpt/">https://www.dfeh.ca.gov/shpt/</a>.

#### **Retaliation Prohibited**

In addition to being a violation of this policy, harassment, discrimination or retaliation also can be against the law. Employees who engage in conduct that rises to the level of a violation of law can be held personally liable for such conduct. Remember, the University cannot remedy claimed discrimination, harassment or retaliation unless employees bring these claims to the attention of management. Employees should not hesitate to report any conduct they believe violates this policy.

#### 6-2 Witness Leave

Employees called to serve as an expert witness in a judicial proceeding on behalf of the State will be granted leave with pay. Employees summoned to appear in court as an expert witness, but not on behalf of the State may use available vacation and personal time to cover the period of absence.

Employees subpoenaed for witness duty must notify their supervisor as soon as possible.

## 6-3 Paid Family Leave Benefits

Employees may be eligible to receive benefits through the California Paid Family Leave (PFL) program, which is administered by the Employment Development Department (EDD), when they take leave to:

- care for a child, spouse, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, parent-in-law or registered domestic partner, with a serious health condition;
- bond with a minor child within the first year of the child's birth or placement in connection with foster care or adoption; or
- participate in a qualifying exigency related to the covered active duty or call to covered active duty of the employee's spouse, domestic partner, child or parent in the Armed Forces of the United States.

These benefits are financed solely through employee contributions to the PFL program. That program is solely responsible for determining if the employee is eligible for such benefits.

If employees need to take time off work for any of the reasons set forth above, they must advise Logan University, and they will be given information about the EDD's PFL program and how to apply for benefits. Employees also may contact their local EDD Office for further information. Employees should maintain regular contact with the University during the time off work so the University may monitor the employee's return-to-work status. In addition, the employee should contact the University when ready to return to work so the University may determine what positions, if any, are open.

When the employee applies for PFL benefits, the Human Resources Department will determine if the employee has any accrued but unused vacation and personal days available. If the employee has accrued but unused time available, then the employee will be required to use up to two (2) weeks of such time before becoming eligible for PFL benefits.

Employees taking time off work for any of the reasons set forth above are not guaranteed job reinstatement unless they qualify for such reinstatement under federal or state family and medical leave laws.

Any time off for Paid Family Leave purposes will run concurrently with other leaves of absence, such as Family and Medical Leave/California Family Rights Act Leave, if applicable. Please see the "Family and Medical Leave/California Family Rights Act" policies in this handbook for eligibility requirements, if applicable.

#### 6-4 Bone Marrow Donation Leave

The employee who has been employed for at least 90 days may request a leave of absence for up to five (5) business days in any one-year period to undergo a medical procedure to donate bone marrow. Employees must provide a certification from their physician regarding the purpose and length of each leave requested. The employee must use any accrued vacation time, sick leave or paid time off for this leave, but the use of vacation accrual, sick leave or paid time off does not extend the term of this leave. If accrued vacation, sick leave or paid time off is not available, the time off for such procedure shall be paid, but the paid time off shall not exceed five (5) days. Bone marrow donation leave will not be designated as FMLA or CFRA leave time. Employees will receive health benefits for the duration of their Bone Marrow Donation Leave and upon returning from such leave will have a right to return to the same or equivalent positions they held before such leave.

## 6-5 Organ Donation Leave

Employees who have been employed for at least 90 days may request a paid leave of absence for up to 30 business days in any one-year period to undergo a medical procedure to donate an organ. Employees can request an additional 30 days of unpaid leave in any one-year period for this same purpose. Employees must provide a certification from their physician regarding the purpose and length of each leave requested. The one-year period is measured from the start of the leave.

For an initial request for organ donation leave, the employee must use up to two weeks of accrued vacation, sick leave or paid time off for this leave, but the use of vacation accrual, sick leave or paid time off does not extend the term of the leave. If accrued vacation, sick leave or paid time off is not available, the time off for such procedure shall be paid however the paid time off shall not exceed 30 days. Organ donation leave will not be designated as FMLA or CFRA leave time. Employees will receive health benefits for the duration of their organ donation leave and upon returning from such leave will have a right to return to the same or equivalent positions they held before such leave. Absences due to organ donation leave do not count as a break in service for the purpose of the employee's right to salary adjustments, sick leave, vacation and paid time off or seniority.

# 6-6 Leave for Victims of Crime or Abuse (including Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking)

Employees who are victims of a crime or abuse, including domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking, may take unpaid leave for up to 12 weeks for the following reasons:

to seek medical attention for injuries caused by crime or abuse;

- to obtain services from a domestic violence shelter, program, rape crisis center or victim services organization or agency as a result of the crime or abuse;
- to obtain psychological counseling or mental health services related to an experience of crime or abuse; or
- to participate in safety planning and take other actions to increase safety from future crime or abuse, including temporary or permanent relocation.

Employees are covered as victims and entitled to leave under this policy if they are:

- a victim of stalking, domestic violence or sexual assault;
- a victim of a crime that caused physical injury or that caused mental injury and a threat of physical injury; or
- a person whose immediate family member is deceased as the direct result of a crime.

Logan University may require proof of the employee's participation in these activities. Whenever possible, employees must provide their supervisor reasonable notice before taking any time off under this policy.

Employees may substitute any accrued vacation, sick or other time off for the leave under this policy. Leave under this policy does not extend the time allowable under the "Family and Medical Leave" policy in this handbook.

No employees will be subject to discrimination or retaliation because of their status as a victim of a crime or abuse, including crime or abuse related to domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking. Victims of a crime or abuse, including crime or abuse related to domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking, may request other accommodations in the workplace such as implementation of safety measures.

#### 6-7 Bereavement Leave

Employees who have been employed for at least 30 days may take bereavement leave of up to five (5) days upon the death of a family member. For the purposes of this policy a family member includes a spouse or a child, parent, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, domestic partner, or parent-in-law.

Bereavement leave need not be consecutive but must be completed within three (3) months of the family member's death.

Bereavement leave will be paid at the employee's base rate of pay at the time of absence for the number of hours the employee otherwise would have worked that day. Bereavement leave is not counted as hours worked for purposes of calculating overtime.

Employees, if requested by the University, within 30 days of the first day's leave must provide documentation of the death of the family member. Documentation includes, but is not limited to, a death certificate, a published obituary, or written verification of death, burial, or memorial

services from a mortuary, funeral home, burial society, crematorium, religious institution, or governmental agency.

The University will maintain the confidentiality of any employee requesting leave under this policy including documentation provided to the University related to a request for leave. Employees wishing to utilize bereavement leave should contact Human Resource Department. Employees will not be subject to adverse action for exercising rights or attempting to exercise rights under this policy, opposing practices that they believe to be in violation of this policy, or supporting the exercise of rights of another under this policy.

#### 6-8 Time Off for Crime Victims

Employees who have been victims of serious or violent felonies, as specified under California law, or felonies relating to theft or embezzlement, may take time off work to attend judicial proceedings related to the crime. Employees also may take time off if an immediate family member has been a victim of such crimes and the employee needs to attend judicial proceedings related to the crime. "Immediate family member" is defined as spouse, registered domestic partner, child, child of registered domestic partner, stepchild, brother, stepbrother, sister, stepsister, mother, stepmother, father or stepfather.

Employees must give their supervisor a copy of the court notice given to the victim of each scheduled proceeding before taking time off, unless advance notice to Logan University of the need for time off is not feasible. When advance notice is not feasible, the employee must provide the University with documentation evidencing the judicial proceeding, within a reasonable time after the absence. The documentation may be from the court or government agency setting the hearing, the district attorney or prosecuting attorney's office or the victim/witness office that is advocating on behalf of the victim.

Employees may elect to use accrued paid vacation time, paid sick leave time or other paid time off for the absence. If the employee does not elect to use paid time off, the absence will be unpaid. However, exempt employees will be paid their full salary for any workweek interrupted by the need for time off under this policy.

## 6-9 Pregnancy Disability Leave

If employees are disabled by pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, they are eligible to take a pregnancy disability leave (PDL). If affected by pregnancy or a related medical condition, employees also are eligible to transfer to a less strenuous or hazardous position or to less strenuous or hazardous duties, if such a transfer is medically advisable and can be reasonably accommodated. Employees disabled by qualifying conditions may also be entitled to other reasonable accommodations where doing so is medically necessary. In addition, if it is medically advisable for employees to take intermittent leave or work a reduced schedule, the University may require them to transfer temporarily to an alternative position with equivalent pay and benefits that can better accommodate recurring periods of leave.

The PDL is for any period(s) of actual disability caused by pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition up to four (4) months per pregnancy. For purposes of this policy, "four

months" means time off for the number of days the employee would normally work within the four (4) calendar months (one-third of a year or 17 1/3 weeks), following the commencement date of taking a pregnancy disability leave. For a full-time employee who works 40 hours per week, "four months" means 693 hours of leave entitlement, based on 40 hours per week times 17 1/3 weeks. Employees working a part-time schedule will have their PDL calculated on a pro-rata basis.

The PDL does not need to be taken in one continuous period of time, but can be taken on an intermittent basis pursuant to the law.

Time off needed for prenatal or postnatal care, severe morning sickness, gestational diabetes, pregnancy-induced hypertension, preeclampsia, doctor-ordered bed rest, postpartum depression, loss or end of pregnancy, and recovery from childbirth or loss or end of pregnancy are all covered by PDL.

To receive reasonable accommodation, obtain a transfer or take a PDL, employees must provide sufficient notice so the University can make appropriate plans. Thirty days' advance notice is required if the need for the reasonable accommodation, transfer or PDL is foreseeable, otherwise as soon as practicable if the need is an emergency or unforeseeable.

Employees are required to obtain a certification from their health care provider of the need for pregnancy disability leave or the medical advisability of an accommodation or for a transfer. The certification is sufficient if it contains: (1) a description of the requested reasonable accommodation or transfer; (2) a statement describing the medical advisability of the reasonable accommodation or transfer because of pregnancy; and (3) the date on which the need for reasonable accommodation or transfer became or will become medically advisable and the estimated duration of the reasonable accommodation or transfer.

A medical certification indicating disability necessitating a leave is sufficient if it contains: (1) a statement that the employee needs to take pregnancy disability leave because of disability due to pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition; (2) the date on which the employee became disabled because of pregnancy; and (3) the estimated duration of the leave.

Upon request, the employee will be provided with a medical certification form that the employee can take to the doctor.

As a condition of returning from pregnancy disability leave or transfer, the University requires the employee to obtain a release from a health care provider stating ability to resume the original job duties with or without reasonable accommodation.

PDL is unpaid. At the employee's option, the employee can use any accrued vacation time or other accrued paid time off as part of the PDL before taking the remainder of leave on an unpaid basis. Logan University requires, however, that the employee use any available sick time during the PDL. The substitution of any paid leave will not extend the duration of the PDL. Employees who participate in the University's group health insurance plan will continue to participate in the plan while on PDL under the same terms and conditions as if they were working. Benefit continuation under PDL is distinct from benefit continuation for employees

who also take birth bonding leave under the California Family Rights Act. Employees should make arrangements for payment of their share of the insurance premiums.

Logan University encourages employees to contact the California Employment Development Department regarding eligibility for state disability insurance for the unpaid portion of the leave.

If employees do not return to work on the originally scheduled return date, nor request in advance an extension of the agreed upon leave with appropriate medical documentation, they may be deemed to have voluntarily terminated their employment with the University. Failure to notify the University of their ability to return to work when it occurs or continued absence from work because the leave must extend beyond the maximum time allowed, may be deemed a voluntary termination of employment with the University, unless employees are entitled to Family and Medical Leave or entitled to further leave pursuant to applicable law.

Upon return from a covered PDL, the employee, in most instances, will be reinstated to the same position.

Taking a PDL may affect some benefits and the employee's seniority date. The employee may request more information regarding eligibility for PDL and the impact of the leave on seniority and benefits.

Any request for leave after the disability has ended will be treated as a request for family care leave under the California Family Rights Act (CFRA) and the federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), if the employee is eligible for that type of leave. PDL runs concurrently with FMLA (but not CFRA). Employees should refer to the FMLA policy. Employees who are not eligible for leave under the CFRA or FMLA will have a request for additional leave treated as a request for disability accommodation.

# 6-10 Time Off For Volunteer Firefighters, Reserve Peace Officers & Emergency Rescue Personnel

Employees who are volunteer firefighters, reserve peace officers or emergency rescue personnel are permitted unpaid time off, not to exceed 14 days per calendar year, for the purpose of engaging in fire, law enforcement or emergency rescue training. If the employees request time off under the policy they must notify their direct supervisor immediately after the need for the leave becomes known.

## 6-11 Acknowledgment and Receipt of California: Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation Prevention Policy

Logan University does not tolerate and prohibits discrimination, harassment or retaliation of or against job applicants, contractors, interns, volunteers or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or third party based on actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, age, sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and related medical conditions), sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression (including transgender status), national origin, ancestry, marital status, protected medical condition as defined by state law (including cancer or genetic characteristics), physical or mental disability, military and veteran status, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state, or local laws and ordinances. The University is committed to a workplace free of discrimination, harassment and retaliation.

Our management team is dedicated to ensuring the fulfillment of this policy as it applies to all terms and conditions of employment, including recruitment, hiring, placement, promotion, transfer, training, compensation, benefits, employee activities and general treatment during employment.

#### **Discrimination Defined**

Discrimination under this policy means treating differently or denying or granting a benefit to an individual because of the individual's protected characteristic.

#### **Harassment Defined**

Harassment is defined in this policy as unwelcome verbal, visual or physical conduct creating an intimidating, an offensive or a hostile work environment that interferes with work performance. Harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays or e-mails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another, blocking someone's way, etc.) that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual because of any protected characteristic. Such conduct violates this policy, even if it is not unlawful. Because it is difficult to define unlawful harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

#### **Sexual Harassment Defined**

Sexual harassment can include all of the above actions, as well as other unwelcome conduct, such as unwelcome or unsolicited sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, conversations regarding sexual activities, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature. Sexual harassment includes unwelcome or unwanted conduct that is either of a sexual nature or directed at an individual because of that individual's sex when:

 submission to that conduct or to those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment;

- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Examples of conduct that violate this policy include:

- 1. unwelcome or unwanted sexual advances, flirtations, advances, leering, whistling, touching, pinching, assault and blocking normal movement;
- 2. requests for sexual favors or demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment;
- 3. obscene or vulgar gestures, posters or comments;
- 4. sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies:
- 5. propositions or suggestive or insulting comments of a sexual nature;
- 6. derogatory cartoons, posters and drawings;
- 7. sexually explicit e-mails, text messages or voicemails;
- 8. uninvited touching of a sexual nature;
- 9. unwelcome or unwanted sexually related comments;
- 10. conversation about one's own or someone else's sex life;
- 11. conduct or comments consistently targeted at only one gender, even if the content is not sexual; and
- 12. teasing or other conduct directed toward a person because of the person's gender.

#### **Retaliation Defined**

Retaliation means adverse conduct taken because an individual reported an actual or a perceived violation of this policy, opposed practices prohibited by this policy, or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below. "Adverse conduct" includes but is not limited to:

- shunning and avoiding an individual who reports harassment, discrimination or retaliation:
- express or implied threats or intimidation intended to prevent an individual from reporting harassment, discrimination or retaliation; and
- denying employment benefits because an applicant or employee reported harassment, discrimination or retaliation or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below.

All discrimination, harassment and retaliation is unacceptable in the workplace and in any work-related settings such as business trips and business-related social functions, regardless of whether the conduct is engaged in by a supervisor, a coworker, a client, a customer, a vendor or another third party.

#### **Reporting Procedures**

The following steps have been put into place to ensure the work environment is respectful, professional, and free of discrimination, harassment and retaliation. If the employee believes someone has violated this policy or the Equal Employment Opportunity Policy, the employee should promptly bring the matter to the immediate attention of the Head of Human Resources. (Phone numbers are available through the University directory.) If this individual is the person toward whom the complaint is directed, the employee should contact any higher-level manager in the reporting chain. If the employee makes a complaint under this policy and has not received a satisfactory response within five (5) business days, Chief of Compliance should be contacted immediately. (Phone numbers are available through the University directory.)

Every supervisor who learns of any employee's concern about conduct in violation of this policy, whether in a formal complaint or informally, must immediately report the issues raised to the Head of Human Resources.

#### **Investigation Procedures**

Upon receiving a complaint, the University will promptly conduct a fair and thorough investigation into the facts and circumstances of any claim of a violation of this policy or the Equal Employment Opportunity policy. To the extent possible, the University will endeavor to keep the reporting employee's concerns confidential. However, complete confidentiality may not be possible in all circumstances.

During the investigation, the University generally will interview the complainant and the accused, conduct further interviews as necessary, and review any relevant documents or other information. Upon completion of the investigation, the University shall determine whether this policy has been violated based on its reasonable evaluation of the information gathered during the investigation. The University will inform the complainant and the accused of the results of the investigation.

The University will take corrective measures against any person who it finds to have engaged in conduct in violation of this policy, if the University determines such measures are necessary. These measures may include, but are not limited to, counseling, suspension or immediate termination. Anyone, regardless of position or title, who the University determines has engaged in conduct that violates this policy will be subject to discipline up to and including termination.

#### **Training**

All Employees are required to undergo harassment prevention training as required by applicable law. For more information about this training requirement, visit <a href="https://www.dfeh.ca.gov/shpt/">https://www.dfeh.ca.gov/shpt/</a>.

#### **Retaliation Prohibited**

In addition to being a violation of this policy, harassment, discrimination or retaliation also can be against the law. Employees who engage in conduct that rises to the level of a violation of law can be held personally liable for such conduct.

Remember, the University cannot remedy claimed discrimination, harassment or retaliation unless employees bring these claims to the attention of management. Employees should not hesitate to report any conduct they believe violates this policy.

I acknowledge that I have received, read, and understand Logan University's Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation Prevention Policy. I agree to abide by and be bound by the rules, provisions and standards set forth in Logan University's policy. I further acknowledge that Logan University reserves the right to revise, delete, and add to the provisions of the Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation Prevention Policy at any time. I also acknowledge I have received the California Department of Fair Employment & Housing's brochure, Sexual Harassment, The Facts About Sexual Harassment (DFEH-185 brochure).

Employee's Printed Name:	
Employee's Signature:	
Position:	
Date:	

The signed original copy of this receipt should be given to management - it will be filed in your personnel file.

# Section 7 - Colorado Addendum

# 7-1 Pregnancy Accommodations

In compliance with Colorado law, Logan University will not discriminate against employees because of pregnancy, childbirth or related conditions. If employees request reasonable accommodation due to health conditions related to pregnancy or the physical recovery from childbirth, the University will endeavor to provide a reasonable accommodation to enable applicants and employees to perform the essential functions of the job, unless the accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business. The University will engage in a timely, good faith, and interactive process with the employee to determine effective, reasonable accommodations for conditions related to pregnancy, physical recovery from childbirth or a related condition.

Reasonable accommodations may include, but are not limited to: more frequent or longer break periods; more frequent restroom, food and water breaks; acquisition or modification of equipment or seating; limitations on lifting; temporary transfer to a less strenuous or hazardous position if available, with return to the current position after pregnancy; job restructuring; light duty, if available; assistance with manual labor; or modified work schedules.

The University will not require employees affected by pregnancy, physical recovery from childbirth or a related condition to accept an accommodation that they choose not to accept if they did not request an accommodation or if the accommodation is not necessary for the employees to perform the essential functions of the job, nor will the University require a pregnant employee to take leave if another reasonable accommodation is available which will permit the employee to continue working.

The University reserves the right to require employees to provide a note stating the necessity of a reasonable accommodation from a licensed health care provider before providing a reasonable accommodation.

The University will not take adverse action against pregnant employees who request or use a reasonable accommodation related to pregnancy, physical recovery from childbirth or a related condition. The University will not deny employment opportunities to employees based on the need to make a reasonable accommodation related to pregnancy, physical recovery from childbirth or a related condition.

If employees have any questions about this policy or would like to request a reasonable accommodation, they should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager.

# 7-2 Overtime

Non-exempt Colorado employees are entitled to overtime pay at one and one-half times (1.5) their regular rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 12 hours in a day, 12 hours consecutively (without regard to the starting and ending time of the workday), or 40 hours per workweek, whichever calculation results in the greater payment of wages. Time paid but not

worked, such as sick time or paid time off (PTO), will not be counted as hours worked in calculating hours worked for purposes of determining if overtime pay is due.

Please review the Colorado Overtime and Minimum Pay Standards (COMPS) Order for information regarding your rights under Colorado law, available here. The Head of Human Resources and/or Benefits Manager will provide an acknowledgment form to sign indicating you have received the COMPS Order.

### 7-3 Sick and Safe Time

### **Eligibility**

Logan University provides paid leave to employees. For employees who work in Colorado who are eligible for sick leave under the general paid Sick Days policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave law or ordinance, this policy applies solely to the extent it provides greater benefits/rights on any specific issue or issues than the general paid sick days policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave law or ordinance in the state of Colorado.

#### Grant

Employees receive a minimum grant of 48 hours of paid leave at the start of employment.

Exempt employees are assumed to work 40 hours in each workweek unless their normal workweek is less than 40 hours, in which case paid sick leave accrues based on that normal workweek.

For purposes of this policy, the year is the consecutive 12-month period beginning January 1 and ending on December 31.

Exempt employees are assumed to work 40 hours in each workweek unless their normal workweek is less than 40 hours, in which case paid sick leave accrues based on that normal workweek.

For purposes of this policy, the year is the consecutive 12-month period beginning January 1 and ending on December 31.

### Usage

Employees may begin using accrued paid leave immediately. Paid leave may be used in hourly or 4 hour increments, depending on the employee's status.

Employees may use accrued paid sick leave for the following reasons:

 mental or physical illness, injury or health condition that prevents the employee from working; the need to obtain a medical diagnosis, care or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition; or the need to obtain preventive medical care;

- to care for a family member who has a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition; needs to obtain a medical diagnosis, care or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition; or needs to obtain preventive medical care;
- 3. the employee or a family member has been the victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault or harassment and the use of leave is to:
  - seek medical attention to recover from a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition caused by the domestic abuse, sexual assault or harassment:
  - o obtain services from a victim services organization;
  - o obtain mental health or other counseling;
  - o seek relocation due to the domestic abuse, sexual assault or harassment; or
  - seek legal services, including preparation for or participation in a civil or criminal proceeding relating to or resulting from the domestic abuse, sexual assault or harassment;
- 4. due to a public health emergency, a public official has ordered closure of the employee's place of business or the school or place of care of the employee's child and the employee needs to be absent from work to care for the child.

For purposes of this policy, "family member" means a person who is related to the employee by blood, marriage, civil union or adoption; a child to whom the employee stands in loco parentis or a person who stood in loco parentis when the employee was a minor; or a person for whom the employee is responsible for providing or arranging health- or safety-related care.

Use of paid sick leave will not be conditioned upon the employee searching for or finding a replacement worker.

Unless advised otherwise, the University will assume, subject to applicable law, that employees want to use available paid sick leave for reasons set forth above. Employees will be paid for such absences to the extent they have paid sick leave available.

#### **Notice and Documentation**

Paid sick leave may be requested orally, in writing, electronically or by any other means acceptable to the University. When possible, employees should include the expected duration of the absence. If the need is foreseeable employees must provide reasonable advance notice to the Head of Human Resources and/or Human Resources of the need to use accrued paid sick leave, and also make a reasonable effort to schedule the paid sick leave in a manner that does not unduly disrupt University operations. Where the need is not foreseeable, employees should provide notice as early as practicable.

For paid leave of four (4) or more consecutive workdays, the University may require reasonable documentation that the paid sick leave was used for an authorized purpose. The University will not require the disclosure of details relating to domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking or the details of the employee's or family member's health information as a condition of providing paid sick leave.

### **Payment**

Paid leave will be paid at the same hourly rate or salary and with the same benefits, including health care benefits, as the employee normally earns during hours worked. Use of paid leave is not considered hours worked for purposes of calculating overtime.

### Additional Public Health Emergency Paid Leave

In addition to accrued paid leave explained above, on the date a public health emergency is declared, the University will supplement each employee's accrued paid leave as necessary to ensure that the employee may take paid leave as follows:

- employees who normally work 40 or more hours in a week may take at least 80 hours of paid leave in a public health emergency;
- employees who normally work fewer than 40 hours in a week may take at least the
  greater of either the amount of time the employee is scheduled to work in a 14-day
  period or the amount of time the employee actually works on average in a 14-day
  period.

The University may count unused accrued paid leave, as explained above, toward the supplemental paid leave required for a public health emergency. Employees may use public health emergency paid leave until four (4) weeks after the official termination or suspension of the public health emergency. Employees may use public health emergency paid leave for the following absences related to a public health emergency:

- to self-isolate and care for oneself when diagnosed with a communicable illness that is the cause of a public health emergency; self-isolate and care for oneself when experiencing symptoms of a communicable illness that is the cause of a public health emergency; seek or obtain medical diagnosis, care or treatment if experiencing symptoms of a communicable illness that is the cause of a public health emergency; seek preventive care concerning a communicable illness that is the cause of a public health emergency;
- 2. to care for a family member who is self-isolating after being diagnosed with a communicable illness that is the cause of a public health emergency; is experiencing symptoms of a communicable illness that is the cause of a public health emergency; needs medical diagnosis, care or treatment if experiencing symptoms of a communicable illness that is the cause of a public health emergency; or is seeking preventive care concerning a communicable illness that is the cause of a public health emergency;
- 3. with respect to a communicable illness that is the cause of a public health emergency:
  - a local, state or federal public official or health authority having jurisdiction over the location in which the University is located or the University determines that the employee's presence on the job or in the community would jeopardize the health of others because of the employee's exposure to the communicable illness or because the employee is exhibiting symptoms

- of the communicable illness, regardless of whether the employee has been diagnosed with the communicable illness; or
- care of a family member after a local, state or federal public official or health authority, having jurisdiction over the location in which the family member's place of employment is located, or the family member's employer determines that the family member's presence on the job or in the community would jeopardize the health of others because of the family member's exposure to the communicable illness, or because the family member is exhibiting symptoms of the communicable illness, regardless of whether the family member has been diagnosed with the communicable illness;
- 4. care of a child or other family member when the individual's child care provider is unavailable due to a public health emergency, or if the child's or family member's school or place of care has been closed by a local, state or federal public official or at the discretion of the school or place of care due to a public health emergency, including if a school or place of care is physically closed but providing instruction remotely;
- 5. inability to work because the employee has a health condition that may increase susceptibility to or risk of a communicable illness that is the cause of the public health emergency.

Employees must notify the University of the need for public health emergency paid leave as soon as practicable when the need for paid leave is foreseeable and the University's place of business has not been closed. Documentation is not required to take public health emergency paid leave.

Public health emergency paid sick leave in the amount described above may be taken once during the entirety of a public health emergency even if such public health emergency is amended, extended, restated or prolonged.

#### **Enforcement and Retaliation**

The University cannot retaliate against employees for requesting or using paid leave and employees have the right to file a complaint with the Division of Labor Standards and Statistics in the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment or bring a civil action if paid sick leave is denied by the University or the University retaliates against employees for exercising their rights under applicable law.

If employees have any questions regarding this policy, they should contact Human Resource Department.

# 7-4 COMPS Order Acknowledgment Form

I acknowledge that I have received the Colorado Overtime and Minimum Pay Standards Order ("COMPS Order") #38 poster.

Employee's Printed Name:	 _
Employee's Signature:	 _
Position:	
Date:	

The signed original copy of this acknowledgment should be given to management - it will be filed in your personnel file.

# Section 8 - Florida Addendum

### **8-1 Domestic Violence Leave**

Employees who have worked for the University for at least three (3) months may be granted up to three (3) days of unpaid leave in any 12-month period if the employee or a family or household member of the employee is the victim of domestic violence.

### Leave may be used to:

- seek an injunction for protection against domestic violence or an injunction for protection in cases of repeat violence, dating violence or sexual violence;
- obtain medical care or mental health counseling, or both, for the employee or a family or household member to address physical or psychological injuries resulting from the act of domestic violence:
- obtain services from a victim-services organization, including, but not limited to, a
  domestic violence shelter or program or a rape crisis center as a result of the act of
  domestic violence;
- make their home secure from the perpetrator of the domestic violence or to seek new housing to escape the perpetrator; or
- seek legal assistance in addressing issues arising from the act of domestic violence.

"Family or household member" means spouses, former spouses, persons related by blood or marriage, persons who are presently residing together as if a family or who have resided together in the past as if a family, and persons who are parents of a child in common regardless of whether they have been married. With the exception of persons who have a child in common, the family or household members must be currently residing or have in the past resided together in the same single dwelling unit.

Except in cases of imminent danger to the health or safety of the employees or their family or household member, two (2) days advance notice of the need for leave is required. Sufficient documentation of the act of domestic violence, such as a restraining order, police report or order to appear in court, is also required. Requests for leave and documents in connection with this leave will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law.

All paid time off available must be exhausted before receiving this leave.

# Section 9 - Illinois Addendum

# 9-1 Pregnancy Accommodations

In compliance with Illinois law, Logan University will not discriminate against employees because of pregnancy; will engage in a timely, good faith, and meaningful exchange with employees affected by pregnancy, childbirth or related conditions; and will endeavor to provide a reasonable accommodation unless doing so will impose an undue hardship on the ordinary operation of the University business.

Such accommodations include modifications or adjustments to the work environment or circumstances under which the employee's position is customarily performed, including but not limited to more frequent or longer bathroom, water intake, or rest breaks; private non-bathroom space for expressing breast milk and breastfeeding; seating accommodations or acquisition or modification of equipment; assistance with manual labor, light duty, or a temporary transfer to a less strenuous or non-hazardous position; job restructuring or a part-time or modified work schedule; appropriate adjustment or modifications of examinations or training materials; assignment to a vacant position; or providing leave to recover from childbirth or pregnancy.

Employees will not be required to accept an accommodation that they did not request or to which they did not agree, nor will they be forced to take leave if another reasonable accommodation is available.

The employee may be required to provide certification from a health care provider concerning the need for a reasonable accommodation to the same extent such a certification is required for other conditions related to a disability. A certification should include:

- medical justification for the requested accommodation(s);
- a description of the reasonable accommodation(s) medically advisable;
- the date the accommodation(s) became advisable; and
- the probable duration of the reasonable accommodation(s).

The University will not deny employment opportunities or take adverse employment action against employees if such decision is based on the University's need to make a reasonable accommodation, and the University will not retaliate against employees who request an accommodation or otherwise exercise their rights under the Illinois Human Rights Act.

The Illinois Human Rights Act is enforced by the Illinois Department of Human Rights ("IDHR"). The charge process for violations of the law can be initiated by contacting the IDHR at any of the offices shown below or by completing the form at https://www2.illinois.gov/DHR/Pages/default.aspx.

Chicago Office 100 W. Randolph St. 10th Floor Springfield Office 535 West Jefferson 1st Floor Intake Unit Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 814-6200

# Intake Unit Springfield, IL 62704 (217) 785-5100

Employees with questions or concerns regarding this policy or who would like to request an accommodation should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager.

# 9-2 Discrimination and Non-Harassment (Including Sexual Harassment)

In compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act (Act) and any other related federal or local law/ordinance, all employees have the right to be free from unlawful discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment). This means that employers may not treat people differently based on race, age, gender, pregnancy, disability, sexual orientation or any other protected class named in the Act or any other related federal or local law/ordinance. This applies to all employer actions, including hiring, promotion, discipline and discharge.

It is Logan University's policy to prohibit intentional and unintentional discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) of or against job applicants, contractors, interns, volunteers or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or any third party on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, age, sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and pregnancy-related conditions), gender identity or expression (including transgender status), sexual orientation, marital status, military service and veteran status, physical or mental disability, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local laws (referred to as "protected characteristics"). The University also prohibits retaliation. All such conduct will not be tolerated by Logan University.

The purpose of this policy is not to regulate our employees' personal morality, but to ensure that no one engages in discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) of another individual in the workplace, including while on University premises, while on University business (whether or not on University premises) or while representing the University. In addition to being a violation of this policy, discrimination, harassment or retaliation based on any protected characteristic as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws also is unlawful. For example, sexual harassment and retaliation against an individual because the individual reported or filed a complaint of discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) or because an individual aided, assisted or testified in an investigation or proceeding involving a complaint of discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws or helped others exercise their right to complain about discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws are unlawful.

#### **Reasonable Accommodation**

Employees also have the right to reasonable workplace accommodations based on pregnancy, disability, religious beliefs or any other reason required by applicable federal, state

or local laws. This means employees can ask for reasonable changes to their job if needed because they are pregnant or disabled or because of their religious beliefs or any other reason required by applicable federal, state or local laws.

#### **Discrimination Defined**

Discrimination under this policy generally means treating an individual differently or denying or granting a benefit to an individual because of any actual or perceived protected characteristic as defined under federal, state or local law/ordinance.

#### **Harassment Defined**

Harassment generally is defined in this policy as unwelcome verbal, visual or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion towards an individual because of any actual or perceived protected characteristic or has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays, text messages, social media posts or e-mails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another, blocking someone's way, etc.). Such conduct violates this policy, even if it does not rise to the level of a violation of applicable federal, state or local laws. Because it is difficult to define unlawful harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

#### **Sexual Harassment Defined**

Sexual harassment can include all of the above actions, as well as other unwelcome conduct, such as unwelcome or unsolicited sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, conversations regarding sexual activities and other verbal, visual or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- submission to that conduct or those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; or
- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Examples of conduct that violate this policy include:

- 1. unwelcome flirtations, leering, whistling, touching, pinching, assault or blocking normal movement:
- 2. requests for sexual favors or demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment:
- 3. obscene or vulgar gestures, posters or comments;

- 4. sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies:
- 5. propositions or suggestive or insulting comments of a sexual nature;
- 6. derogatory cartoons, posters and drawings;
- 7. sexually-explicit e-mails, text messages or voicemails;
- 8. uninvited touching of a sexual nature;
- 9. unwelcome sexually-related comments;
- 10. conversation about one's own or someone else's sex life;
- 11. conduct or comments consistently targeted at only one gender, even if the content is not sexual; and
- 12. teasing or other conduct directed toward a person because of the person's gender.

# **University Reporting Procedures**

If the employee has been subjected to or witnessed conduct which violates this policy, the employee should immediately report the matter to the Head of Human Resources. If the employee is unable for any reason to contact this person, or if the employee has not received an initial response within five (5) business days after reporting any incident of what the employee perceives to be harassment, the employee should contact Chief of Compliance. If the person toward whom the complaint is directed is one of the individuals indicated above, the employee should contact any higher-level manager in the reporting hierarchy.

### **Investigation Procedures**

Every report of perceived harassment will be fully investigated, and corrective action will be taken where appropriate. All complaints will be kept confidential to the extent possible, but confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. Employees must cooperate with all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy.

#### **Retaliation Prohibited**

In addition, the University will not allow any form of retaliation against individuals who report unwelcome conduct to management or who cooperate in the investigations of such reports in accordance with this policy. If the employee has been subjected to any such retaliation, the employee should report it in the same manner in which the employee would report a claim of perceived harassment under this policy.

Violation of this policy including any improper retaliatory conduct will result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

### **Additional Reporting Procedures**

Aside from the internal complaint process at the University described above, employees may choose to file a charge/complaint of discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) with the Illinois Department of Human Rights (IDHR).

The charge process for violations of the law can be initiated by completing the form at www.illinois.gov/dhr or by contacting the IDHR at IDHR.Intake@illinois.gov, or either of these offices:

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Chicago Office Springfield Office
555 W. Monroe St., 7th Floor 535 W. Jefferson Street, 1st Floor
Chicago, IL 60661 Springfield, IL 62702
(312) 814-6200 (217) 785-5100
(866) 740-3953 (TTY) (866) 740-3953 (TTY)
(312) 814-6251 (Fax) (217) 785-5106 (Fax)
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Employees also can contact the Illinois Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Helpline at 1-877-236-7703.

### 9-3 Witness Leave

Employees called to serve as a witness in a judicial proceeding must notify their supervisor as soon as possible.

Employees will not be compensated for time away from work to participate in a court case, but may use available vacation and personal time to cover the period of absence.

Employees attending judicial proceedings in response to a subpoena will not be disciplined for their absence.

# 9-4 Family Bereavement Leave

An employee who is eligible for leave under the federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) may take up to two (2) weeks (10 workdays) of unpaid bereavement leave for any or all of the following purposes:

- 1. to attend the funeral or alternative to a funeral of the employee's family member;
- 2. to make arrangements necessitated by the death of the employee's family member;
- 3. to grieve the death of the employee's family member; or
- 4. to be absent from work due to:
  - 1. a miscarriage,
  - 2. an unsuccessful round of intrauterine insemination or of an assisted reproductive technology procedure,
  - 3. a failed adoption match or an adoption that is not finalized because it is contested by another party,
  - 4. a failed surrogacy agreement,
  - 5. a diagnosis that negatively impacts pregnancy or fertility, or
  - 6. a stillbirth.

For purposes of this policy, "family member" means an employee's child, stepchild, spouse, domestic partner, sibling, parent, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandchild, grandparent, or

stepparent. "Child" includes an employee's biological, adopted, or foster child, a stepchild, a legal ward, or a child of a person standing in loco parentis.

Leave under this policy is available only to employees who have not exhausted their FMLA leave entitlement at the time bereavement leave is requested. In the event of the death of more than one (1) covered family member in a 12-month period, an employee may take up to a total of six (6) weeks of bereavement leave during the 12-month period.

Bereavement leave must be completed within 60 days of the date on which the employee received notice of the death of the employee's family member or the occurrence of an event listed in reason number four (4) above.

An employee requesting leave under this policy generally must provide the University with at least 48 hours' advance notice of the intention to take bereavement leave, unless providing such notice is not reasonable and practicable under the circumstances.

Employees may substitute available paid time off while taking unpaid leave under this policy, but this substitution does not extend the length of the leave.

The University may require reasonable documentation in connection with leave taken under this policy. Documentation may include a death certificate, a published obituary, or written verification of death, burial, or memorial services from a mortuary, funeral home, burial society, crematorium, religious institution, or government agency. For leave resulting from an event listed under reason four (4) above, reasonable documentation shall include a form, to be provided by the Illinois Department of Labor, to be filled out by a health care practitioner who has treated the employee or the employee's spouse or domestic partner, or surrogate, for an event listed under reason four (4), or documentation from the adoption or surrogacy organization that the employee worked with related to an event listed under reason four (4), certifying that the employee or employee's spouse or domestic partner has experienced an event listed under reason four (4). The University will not require that the employee identify which category of event the leave pertains to as a condition of exercising rights under this policy.

Employees will not be subject to adverse action for exercising rights or attempting to exercise rights under this policy, opposing practices that they believe to be in violation of this policy or supporting the exercise of rights of another under this policy.

# 9-5 Voluntary Emergency Workers Leave

Logan University will not discharge employees who serve as volunteer emergency workers and are absent from or late to work due to their participation in an emergency situation. Volunteer emergency workers include volunteer firefighters, emergency medical technicians, ambulance drivers or attendants, first responders, members of county municipal emergency services and disaster agencies, and auxiliary policemen or deputies. Employees must make a reasonable effort to notify the University that they may be absent from or late to work.

# 9-6 Leave for Domestic, Sexual and Gender Violence or Other Crimes of Violence

In accordance with the Illinois Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act, employees who are the victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence or any other crime of violence or who have family or household members who are the victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence or any other crime of violence whose interests are not adverse to the employee as it relates to the domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence or any other crime of violence, may be eligible for up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave within any 12-month period, and upon return will be restored to the same or an equivalent position.

Employees may elect to substitute any or all annual or vacation leave, personal leave and sick leave during the otherwise unpaid leave. This substitution of paid leave does not extend the total allowed leave period but runs concurrently with it. Leave under this policy also runs concurrently with Family and Medical Leave when the reason for the leave qualifies for Family and Medical Leave, such as for a serious health condition. In these situations, the leave does not extend any unpaid time available to the employee under Family and Medical Leave.

#### **Reasons for Leave**

Eligible employees may take leave under this policy so that they or a member of their family or household may take part in one or more of the following actions:

- seek medical attention for or recover from physical or psychological injuries caused by domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence or any other crime of violence;
- obtain services from a victim's services organization;
- obtain psychological or other counseling;
- participate in **safety planning**, including temporary or permanent relocation, or other actions to increase their physical safety or economic security; or
- seek legal assistance or remedies to ensure their health and safety, including
  preparing for or participating in any civil or criminal legal proceeding related to or
  derived from domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence or any other crime
  of violence.

For purposes of this policy, "family or household member" means a spouse or party to a civil union, parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, sibling, or any other person related by blood or by present or prior marriage or civil union, other person who shares a relationship through a child, or any other individual whose close association with the employee is the equivalent of a family relationship as determined by the employee and persons jointly residing in the same household.

#### **Notice of Need for Leave**

Eligible employees must provide the University with at least 48 hours advance notice of the need for leave, unless such notice is not practicable.

#### **Certification of the Need for Leave**

To request leave, the employee must supply the University with a sworn statement from the employee that the employee or a family or household member is a victim of domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence or any other crime of violence and that leave is necessary for one of the reasons described above.

The employee seeking leave also must provide supporting documentation from one of the following sources if the employee has possession of such document:

- a victim's services organization;
- a member of the clergy;
- an attorney;
- a medical or other professional from which the employee or family or household member has sought assistance;
- a police report or court record; or
- any other corroborating evidence.

# **Employee Benefits**

During an approved leave, the University will maintain the employee's health benefits as if the employee continued to be actively employed.

If paid time off is substituted for unpaid leave, the University will deduct the employee's portion of the any applicable health plan premium as a regular payroll deduction.

If the employee's leave is unpaid, the employee must make arrangements with Human Resources prior to taking leave to pay their portion of any applicable health insurance premiums each month.

If the employee elects not to return to work at the end of the leave period, the employee will be required to reimburse the University for the cost of the health benefit premiums paid by the University for maintaining coverage during the unpaid leave period, unless the employee cannot return to work because of continuation, recurrence or onset of domestic violence, sexual violence or gender violence or other circumstances beyond the employee's control.

#### Intermittent and Reduced Schedule Leave

Unpaid leave may be taken consecutively, intermittently (in separate blocks of time) or on a reduced leave schedule (reducing the usual number of hours you work per work week or work day).

### **Periodic Reports**

During a leave, the employee must provide periodic reports (at least every 30 days) regarding the employee's status and any change in the employee's plans on returning to work.

#### **Enforcement and Retaliation**

Employees will not be subject to discharge, harassment or discrimination for exercising rights or attempting to exercise rights under this policy, opposing practices that they believe to be in violation of this policy or supporting the exercise of rights of another under this policy.

If employees have any questions regarding this policy, they should contact Human Resource Department.

# 9-7 Receipt of Non-Harassment Policy

In compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act (Act) and any other related federal or local law/ordinance, all employees have the right to be free from unlawful discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment). This means that employers may not treat people differently based on race, age, gender, pregnancy, disability, sexual orientation or any other protected class named in the Act or any other related federal or local law/ordinance. This applies to all employer actions, including hiring, promotion, discipline and discharge.

It is Logan University's policy to prohibit intentional and unintentional discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) of or against job applicants, contractors, interns, volunteers or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or any third party on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, age, sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and pregnancy-related conditions), gender identity or expression (including transgender status), sexual orientation, marital status, military service and veteran status, physical or mental disability, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local laws (referred to as "protected characteristics"). The University also prohibits retaliation. All such conduct will not be tolerated by Logan University.

The purpose of this policy is not to regulate our employees' personal morality, but to ensure that no one engages in discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) of another individual in the workplace, including while on University premises, while on University business (whether or not on University premises) or while representing the University. In addition to being a violation of this policy, discrimination, harassment or retaliation based on any protected characteristic as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws also is unlawful. For example, sexual harassment and retaliation against an individual because the individual reported or filed a complaint of discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) or because an individual aided, assisted or testified in an investigation or proceeding involving a complaint of discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws or helped others exercise their right to complain about discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws are unlawful.

#### **Reasonable Accommodation**

Employees also have the right to reasonable workplace accommodations based on pregnancy, disability, religious beliefs or any other reason required by applicable federal, state or local laws. This means employees can ask for reasonable changes to their job if needed

because they are pregnant or disabled or because of their religious beliefs or any other reason required by applicable federal, state or local laws.

#### **Discrimination Defined**

Discrimination under this policy generally means treating an individual differently or denying or granting a benefit to an individual because of any actual or perceived protected characteristic as defined under federal, state or local law/ordinance.

#### **Harassment Defined**

Harassment generally is defined in this policy as unwelcome verbal, visual or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion towards an individual because of any actual or perceived protected characteristic or has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays, text messages, social media posts or e-mails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another, blocking someone's way, etc.). Such conduct violates this policy, even if it does not rise to the level of a violation of applicable federal, state or local laws. Because it is difficult to define unlawful harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

### **Sexual Harassment Defined**

Sexual harassment can include all of the above actions, as well as other unwelcome conduct, such as unwelcome or unsolicited sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, conversations regarding sexual activities and other verbal, visual or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- submission to that conduct or those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; or
- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Examples of conduct that violate this policy include:

- 1. unwelcome flirtations, leering, whistling, touching, pinching, assault or blocking normal movement;
- 2. requests for sexual favors or demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment:
- 3. obscene or vulgar gestures, posters or comments;

- 4. sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies:
- 5. propositions or suggestive or insulting comments of a sexual nature;
- 6. derogatory cartoons, posters and drawings;
- 7. sexually-explicit e-mails, text messages or voicemails;
- 8. uninvited touching of a sexual nature;
- 9. unwelcome sexually-related comments;
- 10. conversation about one's own or someone else's sex life;
- 11. conduct or comments consistently targeted at only one gender, even if the content is not sexual; and
- 12. teasing or other conduct directed toward a person because of the person's gender.

# **University Reporting Procedures**

If the employee has been subjected to or witnessed conduct which violates this policy, the employee should immediately report the matter to the Head of Human Resources. If the employee is unable for any reason to contact this person, or if the employee has not received an initial response within five (5) business days after reporting any incident of what the employee perceives to be harassment, the employee should contact Chief of Compliance. If the person toward whom the complaint is directed is one of the individuals indicated above, the employee should contact any higher-level manager in the reporting hierarchy.

### **Investigation Procedures**

Every report of perceived harassment will be fully investigated, and corrective action will be taken where appropriate. All complaints will be kept confidential to the extent possible, but confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. Employees must cooperate with all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy.

#### **Retaliation Prohibited**

In addition, the University will not allow any form of retaliation against individuals who report unwelcome conduct to management or who cooperate in the investigations of such reports in accordance with this policy. If the employee has been subjected to any such retaliation, the employee should report it in the same manner in which the employee would report a claim of perceived harassment under this policy.

Violation of this policy including any improper retaliatory conduct will result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

### **Additional Reporting Procedures**

Aside from the internal complaint process at the University described above, employees may choose to file a charge/complaint of discrimination or harassment (including sexual harassment) with the Illinois Department of Human Rights (IDHR).

The charge process for violations of the law can be initiated by completing the form at www.illinois.gov/dhr or by contacting the IDHR at IDHR.Intake@illinois.gov, or either of these offices:

Springfield Office
5 W. Jefferson Street, 1st Floor
Springfield, IL 62702
(217) 785-5100
(866) 740-3953 (TTY)
(217) 785-5106 (Fax)

Employees also can contact the Illinois Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Helpline at 1-877-236-7703.

I have read and I understand Logan University's Non-Harassment Policy.

Employee's Printed Name:
Employee's Signature:
Position:
Date:

The signed original copy of this receipt should be given to management - it will be filed in your personnel file.

# Section 10 - Indiana Addendum

# **10-1 Family Military Leave**

As required by law, employees who have been employed by Logan University for at least 12 months, have worked at least 1,500 hours during the 12-month period immediately preceding the day the leave begins, and are the spouse, parent, grandparent, child or sibling of an individual ordered to active duty, are eligible for an unpaid leave of absence for up to 10 days each calendar year.

Leave may be taken during any of the following periods:

- during the 30 days before active duty orders are in effect;
- during a period in which the military family member ordered to active duty is on leave while active duty orders are in effect;
- during the 30 days after the active duty orders are terminated.

Employees may elect to substitute any accrued paid time off (except for paid medical or sick leave) for leave provided under this policy. If applicable, health care benefits will be continued at the employee's expense during the period of leave.

Employees must provide written notice to the University at least 30 days in advance; notice must include a copy of the active duty orders (if available) and an indication of the date the leave will begin. If the active duty orders are issued less than 30 days before the date the requested leave is to begin, written notice must be provided as soon as possible under such circumstances. The University reserves the right to require verification of eligibility for this leave. Failure to provide such verification within a reasonable time after it was requested may result in the absence from employment being considered unexcused.

Upon returning from leave, in most cases the employee will be restored to the position they held before the leave began or to an equivalent position.

# 10-2 Volunteer Emergency Services Leave

Logan University will not discharge employees who serve as volunteer emergency workers and are absent from or late to work due to their participation in, or resulting injury from, an emergency situation. Volunteer emergency workers include volunteer firefighters, emergency medical technicians, ambulance drivers or attendants, first responders, members of county municipal emergency services and disaster agencies, and auxiliary policemen or deputies. Employees must make a reasonable effort to notify the University that they may be absent from or late to work.

#### 10-3 Witness Leave

Logan University will not dismiss an employee, deprive an employee of benefits, or threaten dismissal or deprivation of benefits because the employee has received or responded to a

subpoena in a criminal proceeding. The University is not required to give paid leave for an employee to respond to a subpoena.

# **10-4 Civil Air Patrol Leave**

Logan University will not discipline an employee for being absent for engaging in emergency services related to membership in a civil air patrol when orders were received before the employee was to report to work, nor will Logan University discipline a civil air patrol member who, upon receiving authorization from their supervisor, leaves work to engage in an emergency services operation. Logan University may request a written statement from the officer in charge of the civil air patrol confirming the employee's engagement in an emergency services operation at the time of their absence. However, the University may reject an employee's notification of his or her membership when the employee is deemed an essential employee. In this case, the University may use disciplinary action for an employee's absence for an emergency service operation.

# Section 11 - Iowa Addendum

# 11-1 Pregnancy Leave

Employees are entitled to an unpaid leave of absence of up to eight (8) weeks for any pregnancy-related disability. Logan University may require verification of disability. Timely notice of leave is required. Leave runs concurrently with any other leave provided by the University. Employees may use accrued time off for this purpose.

# 11-2 Paid Leave upon Termination

As required by law, Logan University will pay employees their accrued vacation and sick leave upon suspension or termination, not later than the next regular payday for the pay period in which the wages were earned. If vacations are due an employee under University policy establishing pro rata vacation, the increment shall be in proportion to the fraction of the year which the employee was actually employed.

# 11-3 Veteran Employees

Logan University will grant leave to a veteran employee to observe Veteran's Day. Leave will be granted with or without pay, at the discretion of the University.

# Section 12 - Louisiana Addendum

# 12-1 School and Day Care Conf. and Activities Leave

Logan University will grant employees who are parents or guardians of school-age children up to 16 hours of unpaid leave during any 12-month period to observe or participate in conferences or classroom activities related to the employee's dependent children for whom the employee is the legal guardian that are conducted at the child's school or day care center, if such activities cannot reasonably be scheduled during the nonwork hours of the employee. The employee must provide reasonable prior notice of the leave and must make a reasonable effort to schedule the leave so as not to unduly disrupt the University's operations. Employees may use accrued paid time off for this purpose.

# 12-2 Paid Leave upon Termination

Any accrued and unused vacation leave is considered earned wages due within 15 days of the employee's termination/resignation or by the next regular payday, whichever comes first.

# 12-3 Bone Marrow Leave

As required by law, Logan University will grant paid leaves of absence to an employee who seeks to undergo a medical procedure to donate bone marrow. The combined length of the leaves shall be determined by the employee, but may not exceed forty (40) work hours, unless agreed to by the University. Employees may be required to provide verification from a doctor of the purpose and length of each absence the employee requests to donate bone marrow. Logan University will not retaliate against an employee for requesting or obtaining a leave of absence to donate bone marrow. If there is a medical determination that the employee does not qualify as a bone marrow donor, the paid leave of absence granted to the employee prior to that medical determination is not forfeited.

# Section 13 - Maine Addendum

# **13-1 Pregnancy Accommodations**

In compliance with Maine's Act to Protect Pregnant Workers law, Logan University will not discriminate against applicants or employees because of pregnancy, childbirth or a medical condition related to pregnancy or childbirth.

Except where based on a bona fide occupational qualification, the University will not treat a pregnant person who is able to work in a different manner from other persons who are able to work. Neither will the University treat a pregnant person who is not able to work because of a disability or illness resulting from pregnancy or from medical conditions that result from pregnancy, in a different manner from others who are not able to work because of other disabilities or illnesses.

If applicants or employees request a reasonable accommodation due to health conditions related to pregnancy, childbirth or a medical condition related to pregnancy or childbirth, the University will endeavor to provide a reasonable accommodation to enable them to perform the essential functions of the job, unless the accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business.

The University will engage in a timely, good faith and interactive process with the employee to determine effective, reasonable accommodations. Reasonable accommodations for a pregnancy-related condition may include, but are not limited to:

- more frequent or longer breaks;
- temporary modification of work schedules, seating or equipment;
- temporary relief from lifting requirements;
- temporary transfer to less strenuous or hazardous work; and
- provisions for lactation.

If employees have any questions, concerns or complaints concerning this policy or wish to request an accommodation, they should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager.

### 13-2 Non-Harassment

It is Logan University's policy to prohibit intentional and unintentional harassment of or against job applicants, contractors, interns, volunteers or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or any third party on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, age, sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and pregnancy-related conditions), gender identity or expression (including transgender status), sexual orientation, marital status, military service and veteran status, physical or mental disability, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local laws (referred to as "protected characteristics"). Such conduct will not be tolerated by Logan University.

The purpose of this policy is not to regulate employees' personal morality, but to ensure that no one harasses another individual in the workplace, including while on University premises, while on University business (whether or not on University premises) or while representing the University. In addition to being a violation of this policy, harassment or retaliation based on any protected characteristic as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws also is unlawful. For example, sexual harassment and retaliation against an individual because the individual filed a complaint of sexual harassment or because an individual aided, assisted or testified in an investigation or proceeding involving a complaint of sexual harassment as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws are unlawful.

#### **Harassment Defined**

Harassment generally is defined in this policy as unwelcome verbal, visual or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual because of any actual or perceived protected characteristic or has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays, text messages, social media posts or e-mails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another, blocking someone's way, etc.). Such conduct violates this policy, even if it does not rise to the level of a violation of applicable federal, state or local laws. Because it is difficult to define unlawful harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

#### **Sexual Harassment Defined**

Sexual harassment can include all of the above actions, as well as other unwelcome conduct, such as unwelcome or unsolicited sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, conversations regarding sexual activities and other verbal, visual or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- submission to that conduct or those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; or
- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Examples of conduct that violate this policy include:

- 1. unwelcome flirtations, leering, whistling, touching, pinching, assault, blocking normal movement;
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- 3. obscene or vulgar gestures, posters or comments;

- 4. sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies:
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- 11. conduct or comments consistently targeted at only one gender, even if the content is not sexual; and
- 12. teasing or other conduct directed toward a person because of the person's gender.

# **Reporting Procedures**

If employees have been subjected to or witnessed conduct which violates this policy, they should immediately report the matter to the Head of Human Resources. If they are unable for any reason to contact this person, or if they have not received an initial response within five (5) business days after reporting any incident of what they perceive to be harassment, they should contact Chief of Compliance & Engagement. If the person toward whom the complaint is directed is one of the individuals indicated above, they should contact any higher-level manager in the reporting hierarchy.

### **Investigation Procedures**

Every report of perceived harassment will be fully investigated, and corrective action will be taken where appropriate. All complaints will be kept confidential to the extent possible, but confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. All employees must cooperate with all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy.

#### **Retaliation Prohibited**

In addition, the University will not allow any form of retaliation against individuals who report unwelcome conduct to management or who cooperate in the investigations of such reports in accordance with this policy. Examples of retaliation include aiding, abetting, inciting, compelling or coercing another to do any types of unlawful discrimination; obstructing or preventing any person from complying with the Maine Human Rights Act; attempting to do any act of unlawful discrimination; and punishing or penalizing, or attempting to punish or penalize, any person for seeking to exercise any of the civil rights declared by the Act or for complaining of a violation of the Act or for testifying in any proceeding brought in this subsection. If employees feel they have been subjected to any such retaliation, they should report it in the same manner in which they would report a claim of perceived harassment under this policy.

Violation of this policy including any improper retaliatory conduct will result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

While employees are encouraged to report claims internally, if they believe they have been subjected to sexual harassment or other harassment in violation of state law, they may file a

formal complaint with the government agency set forth below. Using Logan University's complaint process does not prohibit employees from filing a complaint with this agency.

Maine Human Rights Commission 51 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0051 PHONE: 207-624-6050 TTY/TTD: 207-624-6064 FAX: 207-624-6063

Employees may file a complaint with the Maine Human Rights Commission within 300 days of the date of alleged sexual harassment.

# 13-3 Family Military Leave

As required by law, employees who have been employed by Logan University for at least 12 months, have worked at least 1,250 hours during the 12-month period immediately preceding the day the leave begins and are the spouse, domestic partner or parent of a Maine resident who is deployed for military service for more than 180 days pursuant to the orders of the Governor or the President of the United States, are eligible for an unpaid leave of absence for up to 15 days per deployment.

Leave may be taken during any of the following periods:

- during the 15 days immediately prior to deployment;
- during the deployment, if the military member is granted leave; or
- during the 15 days immediately following the period of deployment.

Employees may elect to substitute any accrued paid time off (except for paid medical or sick leave) for leave provided under this policy. If applicable, health care benefits will be continued at your expense during the period of leave.

If the leave will consist of an absence of five (5) or more consecutive work days, the employee must provide notice to the University at least 14 days in advance. If the leave will consist of an absence of fewer than five (5) consecutive work days, the employee must provide as much advance notice to the University as is practicable. In all cases, the employee must consult with the University to attempt to schedule leave so as to not unduly disrupt operations. The University reserves the right to require certification of employee eligibility for this leave from the proper military authority.

Upon returning from leave, in most cases the employee will be restored to the position held before the leave began or to an equivalent position.

# 13-4 Receipt of Non-Harassment Policy

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Every report of perceived harassment will be fully investigated, and corrective action will be taken where appropriate. All complaints will be kept confidential to the extent possible, but confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. All employees must cooperate with all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy.

#### **Retaliation Prohibited**

In addition, the University will not allow any form of retaliation against individuals who report unwelcome conduct to management or who cooperate in the investigations of such reports in accordance with this policy. Examples of retaliation include aiding, abetting, inciting, compelling or coercing another to do any types of unlawful discrimination; obstructing or preventing any person from complying with the Maine Human Rights Act; attempting to do any act of unlawful discrimination; and punishing or penalizing, or attempting to punish or penalize, any person for seeking to exercise any of the civil rights declared by the Act or for complaining of a violation of the Act or for testifying in any proceeding brought in this subsection. If employees feel they have been subjected to any such retaliation, they should report it in the same manner in which they would report a claim of perceived harassment under this policy.

Violation of this policy including any improper retaliatory conduct will result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

While employees are encouraged to report claims internally, if they believe they have been subjected to sexual harassment or other harassment in violation of state law, they may file a formal complaint with the government agency set forth below. Using Logan University's complaint process does not prohibit employees from filing a complaint with this agency.

Maine Human Rights Commission 51 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0051 PHONE: 207-624-6050 TTY/TTD: 207-624-6064 FAX: 207-624-6063

Employees may file a complaint with the Maine Human Rights Commission within 300 days of the date of alleged sexual harassment.

I have read and I understand Logan University's Non-Harassment Policy.

Employee's Printed Name:	
Employee's Signature:	_
Position:	
Date:	

The signed original copy of this receipt should be given to management - it will be filed in your personnel file.

# Section 14 - Massachusetts Addendum

# **14-1 Pregnancy Accommodations**

Under the Massachusetts Pregnant Workers Fairness Act (effective April 1, 2018), employees have the right to be free from discrimination in relation to pregnancy or a condition related to the employee's pregnancy including, but not limited to, lactation or the need to express breast milk for a nursing child, including the right to reasonable accommodations for conditions related to pregnancy.

#### **Reasonable Accommodations**

The University will provide a reasonable accommodation for an employee's pregnancy or any condition related to the employee's pregnancy including, but not limited to, lactation or the need to express breast milk for a nursing child if the employee requests such an accommodation. However, the University may deny such an accommodation if the accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the University's program, enterprise or business.

Reasonable accommodations may include, but are not limited to:

- 1. more frequent or longer paid or unpaid breaks;
- 2. time off to attend to a pregnancy complication or recover from childbirth with or without pay;
- 3. acquisition or modification of equipment or seating;
- 4. temporary transfer to a less strenuous or less hazardous position;
- 5. job restructuring;
- 6. light duty;
- 7. private non-bathroom space for expressing breast milk;
- 8. assistance with manual labor; or
- 9. a modified work schedule; provided, however, that the University is not required to discharge or transfer an employee with more seniority or promote an employee who is not able to perform the essential functions of the job with or without a reasonable accommodation.

#### **Notice and Documentation**

Upon receiving a request for an accommodation from the employee or prospective employee capable of performing the essential functions of the position involved, the University will engage in a timely, good faith and interactive process with the employee or prospective employee to determine an effective, reasonable accommodation to enable the employee or prospective employee to perform the essential functions of the employee's job or the position to which the prospective employee has applied. The University may require the employee or prospective employee to provide documentation from an appropriate health care or rehabilitation professional about the need for a reasonable accommodation; however, the University will not require documentation for the following accommodations:

- 1. more frequent restroom, food or water breaks;
- 2. seating;
- 3. limits on lifting more than 20 pounds; and
- 4. private non-bathroom space for expressing breast milk.

The University also may require documentation for an extension of the accommodation beyond the originally agreed to accommodation.

An employee who notifies the University of a pregnancy or of a condition related to the employee's pregnancy including, but not limited to, lactation or the need to express breast milk for a nursing child will receive an additional copy of this notice not more than 10 days after the notification.

#### **Enforcement and Retaliation**

The University will not:

- take adverse action against an employee who requests or uses a reasonable accommodation in terms, conditions or privileges of employment including, but not limited to, failing to reinstate the employee to the original employment status or to an equivalent position with equivalent pay and accumulated seniority, retirement, fringe benefits and other applicable service credits when the need for a reasonable accommodation ceases;
- 2. deny an employment opportunity to an employee if the denial is based on the need to make a reasonable accommodation to the known conditions related to the employee's pregnancy including, but not limited to, lactation or the need to express breast milk for a nursing child;
- require an employee affected by pregnancy or a condition related to the pregnancy, including, but not limited to, lactation or the need to express breast milk for a nursing child, to accept an accommodation that the employee chooses not to accept, if that accommodation is unnecessary to enable the employee to perform the essential functions of the job;
- 4. require an employee to take a leave if another reasonable accommodation may be provided for the known conditions related to the employee's pregnancy, including, but not limited to, lactation or the need to express breast milk for a nursing child, without undue hardship on the University's program, enterprise or business;
- 5. refuse to hire a person who is pregnant because of the pregnancy or because of a condition related to the person's pregnancy, including, but not limited to, lactation or the need to express breast milk for a nursing child; provided, however, that the person is capable of performing the essential functions of the position with a reasonable accommodation and that reasonable accommodation would not impose an undue hardship, demonstrated by the University, on the University's program, enterprise or business.

If employees have any questions about or would like to request a reasonable accommodation pursuant to this policy, they should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager.

# 14-2 Non-Harassment

It is Logan University's policy to prohibit intentional and unintentional harassment of or against job applicants, contractors, interns, volunteers or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or any third party on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, age, sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and pregnancy-related conditions), gender identity or expression (including transgender status), sexual orientation, marital status, military service and veteran status, physical or mental disability, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local laws (referred to as "protected characteristics"). Such conduct will not be tolerated by Logan University.

The purpose of this policy is not to regulate employees' personal morality, but to ensure that no one harasses another individual in the workplace, including while on University premises, while on University business (whether or not on University premises) or while representing the University. In addition to being a violation of this policy, harassment or retaliation based on any protected characteristic as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws also is unlawful. For example, sexual harassment and retaliation against an individual because the individual filed a complaint of sexual harassment or because an individual aided, assisted or testified in an investigation or proceeding involving a complaint of sexual harassment as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws are unlawful.

# **Harassment Defined**

Harassment generally is defined in this policy as unwelcome verbal, visual or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual because of any actual or perceived protected characteristic or has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays, text messages, social media posts or e-mails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another, blocking someone's way, etc.). Such conduct violates this policy, even if it does not rise to the level of a violation of applicable federal, state or local laws. Because it is difficult to define unlawful harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

### **Sexual Harassment Defined**

Sexual harassment can include all of the above actions, as well as other unwelcome conduct, such as unwelcome or unsolicited sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, conversations regarding sexual activities and other verbal, visual or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

 submission to that conduct or those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; or

- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Examples of conduct that violate this policy include:

- 1. unwelcome flirtations, leering, whistling, touching, pinching, assault, blocking normal movement;
- 2. requests for sexual favors or demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment;
- 3. obscene or vulgar gestures, posters or comments;
- 4. sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies;
- 5. propositions, or suggestive or insulting comments of a sexual nature;
- 6. derogatory cartoons, posters and drawings;
- 7. sexually-explicit e-mails, text messages or voicemails;
- 8. uninvited touching of a sexual nature;
- 9. unwelcome sexually-related comments;
- 10. conversation about one's own or someone else's sex life;
- 11. conduct or comments consistently targeted at only one gender, even if the content is not sexual; and
- 12. teasing or other conduct directed toward a person because of the person's gender.

### **Reporting Procedures**

If employees have been subjected to or witnessed conduct which violates this policy, they should immediately report the matter to the Head of Human Resources at Human Resources, Logan University, 1851 Schoettler Rd. or 6362301720. If they are unable for any reason to contact this person, or if they have not received an initial response within five (5) business days after reporting any incident of what they perceive to be harassment, they should contact Chief of Compliance at Chief of Compliance, 1851 Schoettler Rd., Chesterfield MO 63017 or 6362301932. If the person toward whom the complaint is directed is one of the individuals indicated above, the employee should contact any higher-level manager in the reporting hierarchy.

# **Investigation Procedures**

Every report of perceived harassment will be fully investigated, and corrective action will be taken where appropriate. All complaints will be kept confidential to the extent possible, but confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. All employees must cooperate with all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy.

### **Retaliation Prohibited**

In addition, the University will not allow any form of retaliation against individuals who report unwelcome conduct to management or who cooperate in the investigations of such reports in accordance with this policy. If employees feel they have been subjected to any such retaliation, they should report it in the same manner in which they would report a claim of perceived harassment under this policy.

Violation of this policy including any improper retaliatory conduct will result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

While employees are encouraged to report claims internally, if they believe they have been subjected to sexual harassment or other harassment in violation of state law, they may file a formal complaint with the government agency or agencies set forth below. Using the University's complaint process does not prohibit the employee from filing a complaint with these agencies.

The United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) JFK Federal Building, Room 475 Boston, Massachusetts 02203, (617) 565-3200

The Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD) Boston Office: One Ashburton Place, Room 601, Boston, MA 02108, (617) 994-6000

Springfield Office: 436 Dwight Street, Room 220, Springfield, MA 01103, (413) 739-2145

New Bedford Office: 128 Union Street, Suite 206, New Bedford, MA 02740, (774) 510-5801

Worcester Office: 484 Main Street, Room 320, Worcester, MA 01608, (508) 453-9630

### 14-3 Earned Sick Time

### **Eligibility**

As required by law, Logan University provides earned time off to employees whose primary place of work is in Massachusetts. For employees whose primary place of work is in Massachusetts who are eligible for sick time under the general Paid Sick Time policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave ordinance, this policy applies solely to the extent it provides greater benefits/rights on any specific issue or issues than the general Paid Sick Time policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave ordinance.

### Usage

Employees may use earned time off for the following reasons:

 to care for the employee's child (which includes a biological, adopted or foster child, stepchild, legal ward or child of a person standing in loco parentis), spouse (as defined by the marriage laws of the commonwealth, which includes a partner in a same-sex marriage), parent or parent of a spouse, who is suffering from a physical or mental illness, injury or medical condition that requires home care, professional medical diagnosis or care or preventative medical care;

- 2. to care for the employee's own physical or mental illness, injury or medical condition that requires home care, professional medical diagnosis or care or preventative medical care:
- 3. to attend the employee's routine medical appointment or a routine medical appointment for the employee's child, spouse, parent or parent of spouse;
- 4. for travel to and from an appointment, a pharmacy or other location related to the purpose for which earned time off was taken; or
- 5. to address the psychological, physical or legal effects of domestic violence.

Earned time off may not be used as an excuse to be late for work if the lateness is not related to one of the reasons described above. Additionally, employees may not accept a specific shift assignment with the intention of calling out sick for all or part of the shift.

Use of earned time off will run concurrently with time off provided under Family and Medical Leave, Massachusetts Parental Leave, Massachusetts Domestic Violence Leave, Massachusetts Small Necessities Leave or time off pursuant to any other applicable law, if applicable and to the extent permitted by applicable law.

### 14-4 Domestic Abuse Leave

Employees are entitled to up to 15 days of unpaid leave from work in any 12-month period if, as defined by applicable law: (i) the employee, or a family member of the employee, is a victim of abusive behavior; (ii) the employee is using the leave from work to: seek or obtain medical attention, counseling, victim services or legal assistance; secure housing; obtain a protective order from a court; appear in court or before a grand jury; meet with a district attorney or other law enforcement official; or attend child custody proceedings or address other issues directly related to the abusive behavior against the employee or family member of the employee; and (iii) the employee is not the perpetrator of the abusive behavior against such employee's family member.

Except in cases of imminent danger to the health or safety, an employee seeking leave from work under this policy must provide to the University appropriate advance notice of the leave. If there is a threat of imminent danger to the health or safety of the employee or the employee's family member, the employee is not required to provide advanced notice of leave; provided, however, that the employee must notify the University within three (3) workdays that the leave was taken or is being taken pursuant to this policy.

Such notification may be communicated by the employee, a family member of the employee or the employee's counselor, social worker, health care worker, member of the clergy, shelter worker, legal advocate or other professional who has assisted the employee in addressing the effects of the abusive behavior on the employee or the employee's family member.

If an unscheduled absence occurs, no negative action will be taken against the employee if the employee provides any of the documentation described in (1) to (7) below within 30 days from the unauthorized absence or within 30 days from the last unauthorized absence in the instance of consecutive days of unauthorized absences.

Employees must provide documentation that the employee or employee's family member has been a victim of abusive behavior and that the leave taken is consistent with this policy. However, an employee will not be required to show evidence of an arrest, conviction or other law enforcement documentation for such abusive behavior. Employees must provide such documentation within a reasonable period after the University requests documentation relative to the employee's absence. An employee may satisfy this documentation requirement by providing any of the following documents:

- A protective order, order of equitable relief or other documentation issued by a court of competent jurisdiction as a result of abusive behavior against the employee or employee's family member.
- A document under the letterhead of the court, provider or public agency which the employee attended for the purposes of acquiring assistance as it relates to the abusive behavior against the employee or the employee's family member.
- A police report or statement of a victim or witness provided to police, including a police incident report, documenting the abusive behavior complained of by the employee or the employee's family member.
- 4. Documentation that the perpetrator of the abusive behavior against the employee or family member of the employee has: admitted to sufficient facts to support a finding of guilt of abusive behavior; or has been convicted of, or has been adjudicated a juvenile delinquent by reason of, any offense constituting abusive behavior and which is related to the abusive behavior that necessitated the leave under this section.
- 5. Medical documentation of treatment as a result of the abusive behavior complained of by the employee or employee's family member.
- 6. A sworn statement, signed under the penalties of perjury, provided by a counselor, social worker, health care worker, member of the clergy, shelter worker, legal advocate or other professional who has assisted the employee or the employee's family member in addressing the effects of the abusive behavior.
- 7. A sworn statement, signed under the penalties of perjury, from the employee attesting that the employee has been the victim of abusive behavior or is the family member of a victim of abusive behavior.

Information related to the employee's leave under this policy will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed, except to the extent that disclosure is: (i) requested or consented to, in writing, by the employee; (ii) ordered to be released by a court of competent jurisdiction; (iii) otherwise required by applicable federal or state law; (iv) required in the course of an investigation authorized by law enforcement, including, but not limited to, an investigation by the attorney general; or (v) necessary to protect the safety of the employee or others employed at the workplace.

An employee seeking leave under this policy must exhaust all annual or vacation leave, personal leave and sick leave available to the employee, prior to requesting or taking leave under this policy, unless otherwise provided by the University.

The University will not coerce, interfere with, restrain or deny the exercise of, or any attempt to exercise, any rights provided under this policy or to make leave requested or taken hereunder contingent upon whether or not the victim maintains contact with the alleged abuser. The University will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against an employee for exercising the employee's rights under this policy. The taking of leave under this policy will not result in the loss of any employment benefit accrued prior to the date on which the leave taken under this policy commenced. Upon the employee's return from such leave, to the extent required by applicable law, the employee will be entitled to restoration to the employee's original job or to an equivalent position.

### 14-5 Parental Leave

An employee who has completed three (3) consecutive months of full-time employment may be entitled to eight (8) weeks of parental leave for the purpose of giving birth or for the placement of a child under the age of 18, or under the age of 23 if the child is mentally or physically disabled, for adoption with the employee who is adopting or intending to adopt the child or for the placement of a child with an employee pursuant to a court order. An employee who either has multiple births or adopts more than one (1) child at the same time is entitled to eight (8) weeks of leave for each child. If two (2) employees seek to take parental leave in connection with the same child, then they are entitled to a total of eight (8) weeks of parental leave in the aggregate for the birth or adoption of that child.

In order to be eligible for this leave, an employee must give notice of the anticipated date of departure and intention to return to work to the Benefits Coordinator and/or the Head of Human Resources and/or their Manager at least two (2) weeks in advance, or as soon as practicable if the delay is for reasons beyond the employee's control.

Parental leave will be without pay, except that if an employee has accrued unused paid time off, an employee may choose to use such time concurrently with all or part of the leave. Thus, if an employee is eligible for both FMLA leave and parental leave under this policy, the employee may (but is not required to) use accrued paid time off for the period of leave covered by this policy.

At the conclusion of a parental leave, the employee will be reinstated to his or her previous position or a similar position with the same rate of pay he or she received at the commencement of the leave. The University, however, may not reinstate an employee on parental leave to the previous position or a similar position if other employees of equal seniority or status in the same or similar position(s) have been laid off due to economic conditions or have been otherwise affected by changes in employment conditions during the period of leave. While parental leave may be extended, unless otherwise provided by applicable law, reinstatement may not be guaranteed at the conclusion of a parental leave that was more than eight (8) weeks in duration.

A parental leave will not affect an employee's ability to receive paid time off, bonuses, advancement, seniority or other benefits for which the employee was eligible on the date leave began, however, the leave period will not be included in the computation of such benefits. Parental leave runs concurrently with leave provided under any other applicable policy in the handbook including, without limitation, leave under the FMLA policy, if applicable. Parental leave also runs concurrently with any time period qualifying an employee for receipt of monetary benefits, including benefits received under any short-term disability policy. The

receipt of such monetary benefits or use of paid time off during any period of parental leave does not extend the length of the leave.

Employees with questions or concerns regarding this policy can contact Human Resource Department.

### 14-6 Small Necessities Leave

Logan University will grant employees who have worked for the University for at least 12 months and have provided at least 1,250 hours of service in the preceding 12-month period with up to 24 hours of unpaid leave during any 12-month period, in addition to any FMLA leave, to participate in various activities. These include: attending a parent-teacher conference, accompanying a son or daughter to routine medical appointments or accompanying an elderly relative, related by blood or marriage, to routine medical or dental appointments or appointments for other professional services related to the relative's care, such as interviewing at nursing homes. Employees must provide seven (7) days' advance notice of their need for leave. If the need was not foreseeable, the employee must provide the University with as much notice as possible. An eligible employee first must substitute any accrued paid time off for this leave.

# 14-7 Receipt of Non-Harassment Policy

It is Logan University's policy to prohibit intentional and unintentional harassment of or against job applicants, contractors, interns, volunteers or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or any third party on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, age, sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and pregnancy-related conditions), gender identity or expression (including transgender status), sexual orientation, marital status, military service and veteran status, physical or mental disability, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local laws (referred to as "protected characteristics"). Such conduct will not be tolerated by Logan University.

The purpose of this policy is not to regulate employees' personal morality, but to ensure that no one harasses another individual in the workplace, including while on University premises, while on University business (whether or not on University premises) or while representing the University. In addition to being a violation of this policy, harassment or retaliation based on any protected characteristic as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws also is unlawful. For example, sexual harassment and retaliation against an individual because the individual filed a complaint of sexual harassment or because an individual aided, assisted or testified in an investigation or proceeding involving a complaint of sexual harassment as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws are unlawful.

#### **Harassment Defined**

Harassment generally is defined in this policy as unwelcome verbal, visual or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual because of any actual or perceived protected characteristic or has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays, text messages, social media posts or e-mails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another, blocking someone's way, etc.). Such conduct violates this policy, even if it does not rise to the level of a violation of applicable federal, state or local laws. Because it is difficult to define unlawful harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

#### **Sexual Harassment Defined**

Sexual harassment can include all of the above actions, as well as other unwelcome conduct, such as unwelcome or unsolicited sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, conversations regarding sexual activities and other verbal, visual or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- submission to that conduct or those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; or
- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Examples of conduct that violate this policy include:

- 1. unwelcome flirtations, leering, whistling, touching, pinching, assault, blocking normal movement;
- 2. requests for sexual favors or demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment;
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- 4. sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies:
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#### **Reporting Procedures**

If employees have been subjected to or witnessed conduct which violates this policy, they should immediately report the matter to the Head of Human Resources at Human Resources, Logan University, 1851 Schoettler Rd. or 6362301720. If they are unable for any reason to contact this person, or if they have not received an initial response within five (5) business days after reporting any incident of what they perceive to be harassment, they should contact Chief of Compliance at Chief of Compliance, 1851 Schoettler Rd., Chesterfield MO 63017 or 6362301932. If the person toward whom the complaint is directed is one of the individuals indicated above, the employee should contact any higher-level manager in the reporting hierarchy.

### **Investigation Procedures**

Every report of perceived harassment will be fully investigated, and corrective action will be taken where appropriate. All complaints will be kept confidential to the extent possible, but confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. All employees must cooperate with all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy.

#### **Retaliation Prohibited**

In addition, the University will not allow any form of retaliation against individuals who report unwelcome conduct to management or who cooperate in the investigations of such reports in accordance with this policy. If employees feel they have been subjected to any such retaliation, they should report it in the same manner in which they would report a claim of perceived harassment under this policy.

Violation of this policy including any improper retaliatory conduct will result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

While employees are encouraged to report claims internally, if they believe they have been subjected to sexual harassment or other harassment in violation of state law, they may file a formal complaint with the government agency or agencies set forth below. Using the University's complaint process does not prohibit the employee from filing a complaint with these agencies.

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Worcester Office: 484 Main Street, Room 320, Worcester, MA 01608, (508) 453-9630

I have read and I understand Logan University's Non-Harassment Policy.

Employee's Printed Name: _	
Employee's Signature:	
Position:	
Date:	

The signed original copy of this receipt should be given to management – it will be filed in your personnel file.

# 16-10 Veteran's Day

Logan University will grant leave to a veteran employee to observe Veteran's Day. Leave will be granted with or without pay, at the discretion of the University.

# **Section 15 - Michigan Addendum**

# **15-1 Social Security Number Privacy Act**

It is the policy of Logan University to ensure to the extent practicable the confidentiality of employees' Social Security Numbers in accordance with Michigan law.

The University will not intentionally do any of the following acts which result in a prohibited disclosure of employees' Social Security Numbers. Violation of this policy will result in discipline up to and including discharge.

- 1. Publicly display more than four (4) sequential digits of a Social Security Number
- Use more than four (4) sequential digits of a Social Security Number as a primary account number or use more than 4 sequential digits of a Social Security Number on any identification badge or card, membership card, permit or license, except where permitted by law.
- 3. Require employees to use or transmit more than four (4) sequential digits of their Social Security Numbers over the internet or on a computer system or network or to gain access to the internet, computer system or network unless the connection is secure or the transmission is encrypted. Similarly, the University will not require employees to use or transmit more than four (4) sequential digits of their Social Security Numbers to gain access to the internet or a computer system unless the connection is secure, the transmission is encrypted, or a password or other unique personal identification or authentication device is also required.
- 4. Include more than four (4) sequential digits of Social Security Numbers on the outside of envelopes or packages or visible internal areas.
- 5. Include more than four (4) sequential digits of Social Security Numbers in documents or information mailed to individuals, except as permitted by law.

The University limits access to Social Security Numbers to those employees and outside consultants whose job duties require that they use this information in connection with University business. The individuals who have access to Social Security Numbers are those who work in the following areas:

**Human Resources** 

Benefits Administration

**Executive Management** 

Legal Department

Individuals who, though not employed by the University provide legal, tax, benefits, management or other consulting services for the University.

The University will properly dispose of documents containing Social Security Numbers by ensuring that all such materials are shredded or otherwise destroyed prior to discarding such

information. Data stored in electronic format will be rendered irretrievable before computers are discarded or destroyed.

### 15-2 Victims of Crime Leave

Employees who are a victim or victim's representative, called to serve as a witness in a judicial proceeding, must notify their supervisor as soon as possible.

Employees will not be compensated for time away from work to participate in a court case, but may use available vacation and personal time to cover the period of absence.

Employees testifying as the victim or representative of a victim in a judicial proceeding will not be disciplined for their absence.

# Section 16 - Nevada Addendum

# **18-1 Pregnancy Accommodations**

According to the Nevada Pregnant Workers' Fairness Act (effective October 1, 2017) (the "Act"), employees have the right to be free from discriminatory or unlawful employment practices based on pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition and are entitled to reasonable accommodation.

Under the Act, the University may not:

- deny a reasonable accommodation to employees and applicants, upon request, for a condition related to pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition, unless an accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the business of the University;
- take adverse employment actions against the employee or applicant based on a need for a reasonable accommodation;
- deny an employment opportunity to a qualified employee or applicant based on a need for a reasonable accommodation; and
- require the employee or applicant to accept an accommodation that the employee
  or applicant did not request or chooses not to accept or to take leave from
  employment if an accommodation is unavailable.

Reasonable accommodations may include, but are not limited to:

- 1. modifying equipment or providing different seating;
- 2. revising break schedules, which may include revising the frequency or duration of breaks;
- 3. providing space in an area other than a bathroom that may be used for expressing breast milk;
- 4. providing assistance with manual labor if the manual labor is incidental to the primary work duties of the employee;
- 5. authorizing light duty;
- 6. temporarily transferring the employee to a less strenuous or hazardous position; or
- 7. restructuring a position or providing a modified work schedule.

Under the Act, the University may require the employee to submit written medical certification from the employee's physician substantiating the need for an accommodation because of pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, and the specific accommodation recommended by the physician.

Any employee who needs to request an accommodation due to pregnancy, childbirth or a related condition or who has questions regarding this policy should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager.

# Section 19 - New Mexico Addendum

# **19-1 Pregnancy Accommodations**

In compliance with New Mexico Pregnant Worker Accommodation Act, Logan University will not discriminate against employees or job applicants in relation to pregnancy, childbirth and related conditions and will provide reasonable accommodation for conditions related to pregnancy, childbirth or a related condition.

#### **Reasonable Accommodations**

If employees or job applicants with a known limitation arising out of pregnancy, childbirth or a related condition make a request for reasonable accommodation, the University will endeavor to grant the request unless the accommodation constitutes an undue hardship. Reasonable accommodations may include modification or adaptation of the work environment, work rules or job responsibilities for as long as necessary to enable employees with limitations due to pregnancy, childbirth or a related condition to perform the job that does not impose an undue hardship on the University. The University will not require employees to take paid or unpaid leave if another reasonable accommodation can be provided to the known limitations related to the pregnancy, childbirth or related condition.

Further, the University will not refuse to hire, discharge, refuse to promote, demote or discriminate in matters of compensation or leave or terms, conditions or privileges of employment against any person otherwise qualified for employment on the basis of that person's pregnancy or childbirth or a related condition, including failing to treat employees or job applicants affected by pregnancy, childbirth or a related condition in the same manner as other persons similar in ability to work for all employment-related purposes, including receipt of benefits under fringe benefit programs, unless based on a bona fide occupational qualification.

Additionally, the University will not print or circulate any statement, advertisement or publication; use any form of application for employment; or make any inquiry regarding prospective employment that expresses, directly or indirectly, any limitation, specification or discrimination as to pregnancy, childbirth or a related condition, unless based on a bona fide occupational qualification. The University will not refuse to list, properly classify for employment or refer a person for employment in a known available job for which the person is otherwise qualified on the basis of the person's pregnancy, childbirth or related condition, unless based on a bona fide occupational qualification.

The University reserves the right to require employees to provide medical certification concerning the need for reasonable accommodation consistent with the University's requests for certification of other temporary disabilities.

The University will not discharge, demote, deny promotion to or in any other way discriminate against employees in the terms or conditions of employment in retaliation for the person asserting a claim or right pursuant to the Pregnant Worker Accommodation Act, for assisting another person to assert a claim or right pursuant to the Pregnant Worker Accommodation

Act, or for informing another person about employment rights or other rights provided by law. A person claiming to be aggrieved by an unlawful discriminatory practice in violation of the Pregnant Worker Accommodation Act may seek relief under the Human Rights Act.

If employees have any questions about or would like to request a reasonable accommodation pursuant to this policy, they should contact Human Resource Department.

#### 19-2 Sick and Safe Time

# **Eligibility**

Logan University provides paid sick leave to employees who work in New Mexico in accordance with the Healthy Workplaces Act. For employees who work in New Mexico who are eligible for sick time under another policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave law or ordinance, this policy applies solely to the extent it provides greater benefits/rights on any specific issue or issues than any other policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave law or ordinance.

#### Accrual

Employees begin accruing paid sick leave pursuant to this policy on July 1, 2022 or at the start of employment, whichever is later. Employees accrue one (1) hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours worked. Exempt employees are assumed to work 40 hours in each workweek unless their normal workweek is less than 40 hours, in which case paid sick leave accrues based upon that normal workweek. For purposes of this policy, the year is the consecutive 12-month period beginning January 1 and ending on December 31.

### Usage

Employees may use paid sick leave immediately. Paid sick leave may be used in 1-hour increments. Employees may not use more than 64 hours of paid sick leave in any year.

Employees may use paid sick leave for absences due to:

- 1. The employee's mental or physical illness, injury or health condition; medical diagnosis, care or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition; and preventive medical care;
- 2. Care of a family member of the employee for mental or physical illness, injury or health condition; medical diagnosis, care or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition; and preventive medical care;
- 3. Meetings at the employee's child's school or place of care related to the child's health or disability; or
- 4. Absences necessary due to domestic abuse, sexual assault or stalking suffered by the employee or a family member of the employee provided that the leave is for the employee to:
  - 1. obtain medical or psychological treatment or other counseling;
  - 2. relocate:

- 3. prepare for or participate in legal proceedings; or
- 4. obtain services or assist a family member of the employee with any of the activities set forth in subparagraphs (a) through (c).

For purposes of this policy, family member includes the employee's spouse or domestic partner or a person related to the employee or the employee's spouse or domestic partner as: (1) a biological, adopted or foster child, a stepchild or legal ward or a child to whom the employee stands in loco parentis; (2) a biological, foster, step or adoptive parent or legal guardian, or a person who stood in loco parentis when the employee was a minor child; (3) a grandparent; (4) a grandchild; (5) a biological, foster, step or adopted sibling; (6) a spouse or domestic partner of a family member; or (7) an individual whose close association with the employee or the employee's spouse or domestic partner is the equivalent of a family relationship. A domestic partner includes an individual with whom another individual maintains a household and a mutual committed relationship without a legally recognized marriage.

The employee's use of paid sick leave will not be conditioned upon searching for or finding a replacement worker.

Unless employees advise the University otherwise, we will assume, subject to applicable law, that employees want to use available paid sick leave for absences for reasons set forth above and employees will be paid for such absences to the extent they have paid sick leave available.

#### **Notice and Documentation**

When employees need to use paid sick leave, the employee or an individual acting on the employee's behalf must make an oral or written request to the Employee's Manager and/or Human Resources to use the leave. When possible, the request must include the expected duration of the sick leave absence. When the need to use paid sick leave is foreseeable, the employee must make a reasonable effort to provide advance notice before using the paid sick leave and must make a reasonable effort to schedule use of paid sick leave in a way that does not disrupt the University's operations. When the need to use paid sick leave is not foreseeable, the employee must notify the Employee's Manager and/or Human Resources as soon as practicable.

Employees may be required to provide reasonable documentation for the use of paid sick leave if the employee used paid sick leave for two (2) or more consecutive workdays. Where sick leave is requested for reasons 1 or 2 above, documentation signed by a health care professional indicating the amount of sick leave taken is necessary will be considered reasonable documentation. Where sick leave is requested for reason 4 above, the employee may provide one of the following: a police report; a court-issued document; or a signed statement by a victim services organization, clergy member, attorney, advocate, the employee, a family member or any other person. The signed statement does not have to be notarized or be in any particular format. It only needs to affirm the employee took paid sick leave for one of the purposes specified by the Act. Employees are allowed up to 14 days from the date they return to work to provide the documentation. The documentation does not need to explain the nature of any medical condition or the details of the domestic abuse, sexual assault or stalking. The University will never delay the use of paid sick leave because the

employer has not yet received documentation. All information and documentation received about the employee's reasons for taking paid sick leave is confidential. The University will not disclose the above-referenced information except with the employee's permission or as necessary for validation of disability insurance claims, accommodations consistent with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), as required by the Healthy Workplaces Act, or by Court Order.

#### **Payment**

Paid sick leave will be paid at the same hourly rate and with the same benefits the employee normally earns during hours worked at the time the employee uses such time, but no less than the applicable minimum wage. Use of paid sick leave is not considered hours worked for purposes of calculating overtime.

### **Carryover and Payout**

Employees may carry over up to 64 hours of accrued, unused paid sick leave to the following year. Unused paid sick leave will not be paid at separation.

#### **Enforcement and Retaliation**

Retaliation against any employee who requests or uses paid sick leave is prohibited. Employees have the right to file a complaint with the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions, Labor Relations Division if paid sick leave as required by law is denied or if the employee is subjected to retaliation for requesting or taking paid sick leave. The New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions, Labor Relations Division can be reached by calling (505) 841-4400, visiting <a href="https://www.dws.state.nm.us">www.dws.state.nm.us</a> or going to a New Mexico Workforce Connections Office.

Questions about rights and responsibilities under the law can be answered by Human Resource Department.

# Section 20 - New York Addendum

# **20-1 Pregnancy Accommodations**

In compliance with New York law, Logan University will not discriminate against employees in relation to pregnancy, childbirth or related conditions and will endeavor to provide reasonable accommodations for any pregnancy-related conditions, unless doing so would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the University's business.

Reasonable accommodations that may be provided include:

- 1. occasional breaks to rest or drink water;
- 2. a modified work schedule;
- 3. leave for related medical needs;
- 4. available light duty assignments; and
- 5. transfers away from hazardous duty.

The employee must cooperate in providing medical or other information that is necessary to verify the existence of the pregnancy-related condition or that is necessary for consideration of the accommodation. Such medical information will be kept confidential by the University.

The University will not require any employee to take leave because the employee is pregnant. If the employee takes medical leave due to a pregnancy-related condition or childbirth, the University will hold the employee's job for the employee as long as the University does for employees who take medical leave for other reasons.

The University will not retaliate against any employee because the employee is pregnant or may become pregnant or change the terms, conditions and privileges of employment because of pregnancy, childbirth or related conditions. The University also will not refuse to hire or to promote a candidate because the individual is pregnant or may become pregnant.

Employees with questions or concerns regarding this policy or who would like to request a reasonable accommodation pursuant to this policy should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager.

# 20-2 New York City Pregnancy Accommodations

As required by the New York City Human Rights Law, the University prohibits unlawful discrimination on the basis of pregnancy or perceived pregnancy and will endeavor to reasonably accommodate the needs of an employee for her pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition to allow her to perform the essential requisites of the job, provided that such employee's pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition is known or should have been known by the University, and the proposed accommodation does not impose an undue hardship on the University.

Any employee who needs to request an accommodation due to pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the

Employee's Manager. If an employee requested an accommodation but has not received an initial response within five (5) business days, she should contact the President and/or the Head of Human Resources.

After receiving a request for an accommodation due to pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition, or learning indirectly that an employee requires such an accommodation, the University will engage in a cooperative dialogue with the employee. Even if an employee has not formally requested an accommodation, the University, in compliance with applicable law, may initiate a cooperative dialogue under certain circumstances, such as when the University has knowledge that an employee's performance at work has been negatively affected and also has a reasonable basis to believe that the issue is related to pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition.

The cooperative dialogue may take place in person, by telephone or by electronic means. As part of the cooperative dialogue, the University will communicate openly and in good faith with the employee in a timely manner in order to determine whether and how the University may be able to provide a reasonable accommodation. To the extent necessary and appropriate based on the request, the University will attempt to explore the existence and feasibility of alternative accommodations as well as alternative positions for the employee. The University is not required to provide the specific accommodation sought by an employee, provided the alternatives are reasonable and either meet the specific needs of the employee or specifically address the employee's limitation.

As part of the cooperative dialogue, the University reserves the right to request medical documentation from an employee under the following circumstances:

- when an employee requests time away from work, including for medical appointments, other than time off requested during the six- (6) to eight- (8) week period following childbirth (for recovery from childbirth); or
- when an employee requests to work from home, either on an intermittent basis or a longer-term basis.

If the University believes that the provided documentation is insufficient, and before denying the request based on insufficient documentation, the University reserves the right to request additional documentation from the employee or, upon the employee's consent, speak with the health care provider who provided the documentation. If applicable, an employee whose time off is covered by the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) may also be required to provide medical documentation, depending on the circumstances of the leave request, pursuant to federal law.

At the conclusion of the cooperative dialogue, the University will provide written notice to the employee in a timely manner indicating that the University:

- will be able to offer and provide a reasonable accommodation;
- will not be able to provide a reasonable accommodation to the employee because there is no accommodation available that will not cause an undue hardship on the University's operations; or

 will not be able to provide a reasonable accommodation to the employee because no accommodation exists that will allow the employee to perform the essential requisites of the job.

The University will endeavor to keep confidential communications regarding requests for reasonable accommodations and all circumstances surrounding an employee's pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition.

Employees with questions regarding this policy should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager.

# **20-3 New York City Supplemental Gender Discrimination**

In accordance with New York City law, the University prohibits unlawful discrimination in employment on the basis of gender. For purposes of this policy, gender is an individual's actual or perceived sex, gender identity and gender expression, including a person's actual or perceived gender-related self-image, appearance, behavior, expression or other gender-related characteristic regardless of the sex assigned to that person at birth.

The University is dedicated to ensuring the fulfillment of this policy as it applies to all terms and conditions of employment, including recruitment, hiring, placement, promotion, transfer, training, compensation, benefits, accommodation requests, access to programs and facilities, employee activities and general treatment during employment.

In furtherance of this policy:

- The University gives employees the option of indicating their preferred gender pronoun. The University's systems allow employees to self-identify their names and genders and do not limit such identifications to male and female only.
- All employees and other individuals have access to single-sex facilities consistent
  with their gender identity or expression. To the extent possible, the University
  provides single-occupancy restrooms and provides multi-user facilities for
  individuals with privacy concerns, but will not require use of a single-occupancy
  bathroom because an individual is transgender or gender non-conforming.
- The University's dress code and grooming standards are gender neutral, and therefore do not differentiate or impose restrictions or requirements based on gender or sex.
- The University evaluates all requests for accommodations (including requests for medical leaves) in a fair and non-discriminatory manner.
- Employees who engage with the public as part of their job duties are required to do
  so in a respectful, non-discriminatory manner by respecting gender diversity and
  ensuring that members of the public are not subject to discrimination (including
  discrimination with respect to single-sex programs and facilities).

Employees with issues or concerns regarding gender discrimination or who feel they have been subjected to such discrimination can contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Vice President and/or Chief of Compliance & Engagement. The University prohibits and does

not tolerate retaliation against employees who report issues or concerns of gender discrimination pursuant to this policy in good faith.

### 20-4 Non-Harassment

It is Logan University's policy to prohibit intentional and unintentional harassment of or against job applicants, contractors, interns, volunteers or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or any third party on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, age, sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and pregnancy-related conditions), gender identity or expression (including transgender status), sexual orientation, marital status, military service and veteran status, physical or mental disability, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local laws (referred to as "protected characteristics"). The University also prohibits retaliation as defined below. All such conduct will not be tolerated by the University.

The University is committed to a workplace free of harassment (including sexual harassment) and retaliation. These behaviors are unacceptable in the workplace and in any work-related settings such as business trips and University-sponsored social functions, regardless of whether the conduct is engaged in by a supervisor, co-worker, client, customer, vendor or other third party. In addition to being a violation of this policy, harassment (including sexual harassment) and retaliation based on any protected characteristic as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws are unlawful. For example, sexual harassment and retaliation against an individual because the individual filed a complaint of sexual harassment or because an individual aided, assisted or testified in an investigation or proceeding involving a complaint of sexual harassment are unlawful.

#### **Definition of Harassment**

Harassment generally is defined in this policy as unwelcome verbal, visual or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual because of any actual or perceived protected characteristic or has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays, text messages, social media posts or e-mails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another, blocking someone's way, etc.). Such conduct violates this policy, even if it does not rise to the level of a violation of applicable federal, state or local laws. Because it is difficult to define unlawful harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

#### **Definition of Sexual Harassment**

Sexual harassment can include all of the above actions, as well as other unwelcome conduct, such as unwelcome or unsolicited sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, conversations

regarding sexual activities and other verbal, visual or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- submission to that conduct or those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; or
- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Examples of conduct that violate this policy include:

- 1. unwelcome flirtations, leering, whistling, touching, pinching, assault, blocking normal movement;
- 2. requests for sexual favors or demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment;
- 3. obscene or vulgar gestures, posters or comments;
- 4. sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies;
- 5. propositions or suggestive or insulting comments of a sexual nature;
- 6. derogatory cartoons, posters and drawings;
- 7. sexually-explicit e-mails, text messages or voicemails;
- 8. uninvited touching of a sexual nature;
- 9. unwelcome sexually-related comments;
- 10. conversation about one's own or someone else's sex life;
- 11. conduct or comments consistently targeted at only one gender, even if the content is not sexual; and
- 12. teasing or other conduct directed toward a person because of the person's gender.

#### **Definition of Retaliation**

Retaliation means adverse conduct taken because an individual reported an actual or perceived violation of this policy, opposed practices prohibited by this policy or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below. "Adverse conduct" includes but is not limited to:

- any action that would discourage the employee from reporting harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation;
- shunning and avoiding an individual who reports harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation;
- express or implied threats or intimidation intended to prevent an individual from reporting harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation; and
- denying employment benefits because an applicant or employee reported or encouraged another employee to report harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below.

# **Reporting Procedures**

If the employee believes someone has violated this policy, the employee should promptly bring the matter to the immediate attention of the Head of Human Resources at the following address 1851 Schoettler Rd, Chesterfield, MO 63017 and phone number 6362301720 or to the Manager at the following address 1851 Schoettler Rd, Chesterfield, MO 63017 and phone number 6362272100.

If the person toward whom the complaint is directed is one of the individuals indicated above, employees should contact any higher-level manager in their reporting hierarchy.

Written complaints can be submitted internally using the form provided in this handbook.

If the employee makes a complaint under this policy and has not received an initial response within five (5) business days, the employee should contact the President immediately at the following address 1851 Schoettler Rd. and phone number (636) 230-1934.

Every supervisor who learns of any employee's concern about conduct in violation of this policy, whether in a formal complaint or informally, or who otherwise is aware of conduct in violation of this policy, must immediately report the issues raised or conduct to the Head of Human Resources.

### **Investigation Procedures**

Upon receiving a complaint, the University will promptly conduct a fair and thorough investigation into the facts and circumstances of any claim of a violation of this policy to ensure due process for all parties. To the extent possible, the University will endeavor to keep the reporting individual's concerns confidential. However, complete confidentiality may not be possible in all circumstances. All individuals are required to cooperate in all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy.

During the investigation, the University generally will interview the complainant and the accused, conduct further interviews as necessary and review any relevant documents or other information. Upon completion of the investigation, the University will determine whether this policy has been violated based upon its reasonable evaluation of the information gathered during the investigation. The University will inform the complainant and the accused of the results of the investigation.

The University will take corrective measures against any person who it finds to have engaged in conduct in violation of this policy, if the University determines such measures are necessary. These measures may include, but are not limited to, counseling, suspension or immediate termination. Anyone, regardless of position or title, whom the University determines has engaged in conduct that violates this policy will be subject to discipline, up to and including termination. This includes individuals engaging in harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation, as well as supervisors who fail to report violations of this policy, or knowingly allow prohibited conduct to continue. Individuals who engage in conduct that rises to the level of a violation of law can be held personally liable for such conduct.

# **Legal Protections and External Remedies**

Aside from the internal complaint process at the University, individuals may choose to pursue external legal remedies with the following governmental entities.

### State Human Rights Law (HRL)

The Human Rights Law (HRL), codified as N.Y. Executive Law, art. 15, § 290 et seq., applies to all employers in New York State with regard to sexual harassment, and protects employees, paid or unpaid interns and non-employees, regardless of immigration status. A complaint alleging violation of the HRL may be filed either with the Division of Human Rights (DHR) or in New York State Supreme Court.

Complaints with DHR may be filed any time within three (3) years of the sexual harassment or within one (1) year of any other harassment. If an individual did not file at DHR, they can sue directly in state court under the HRL, within three (3) years of the alleged harassment. An individual may not file with DHR if they have already filed a HRL complaint in state court.

Complaining internally to the University does not extend the time to file with DHR or in court.

An attorney is not needed to file a complaint with DHR, and there is no cost to file with DHR.

DHR will investigate complaints and determine whether there is probable cause to believe that sexual harassment has occurred. Probable cause cases are forwarded to a public hearing before an administrative law judge. If sexual harassment is found after a hearing, DHR has the power to award relief, which varies but may include requiring the employer to take action to stop the harassment, or redress the damage caused, including paying of monetary damages, attorney's fees and civil fines.

DHR's main office contact information is: NYS Division of Human Rights, One Fordham Plaza, Fourth Floor, Bronx, New York 10458; (718) 741-8400; www.dhr.ny.gov.

Contact DHR at (888) 392-3644 or visit dhr.ny.gov/complaint for more information about filing a complaint. The website has a complaint form that can be downloaded, filled out, notarized and mailed to DHR. The website also contains contact information for DHR's regional offices across New York State.

#### Civil Rights Act of 1964

The United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) enforces federal antidiscrimination laws, including Title VII of the 1964 federal Civil Rights Act (codified as 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq.). An individual can file a complaint with the EEOC anytime within 300 days from the harassment. There is no cost to file a complaint with the EEOC. The EEOC will investigate the complaint and determine whether there is reasonable cause to believe that discrimination has occurred, at which point the EEOC will issue a Right to Sue letter permitting the individual to file a complaint in federal court. The EEOC does not hold hearings or award relief but may take other action including pursuing cases in federal court on behalf of complaining parties. Federal courts may award remedies if discrimination is found to have occurred. In general, private employers must have at least 15 employees to come within the jurisdiction of the EEOC.

An individual alleging discrimination at work can file a "Charge of Discrimination." The EEOC has district, area and field offices where complaints can be filed. Contact the EEOC by calling 1-800-669-4000 (TTY: 1-800-669-6820), visiting their website at www.eeoc.gov or via email at info@eeoc.gov.

If an individual filed an administrative complaint with DHR, DHR will file the complaint with the EEOC to preserve the right to proceed in federal court.

### **Local Protections**

Many localities enforce laws protecting individuals from harassment and discrimination. An individual should contact the county, city or town in which they live to find out if such a law exists. For example, those who work in New York City may file complaints of sexual harassment with the New York City Commission on Human Rights. Contact their main office at Law Enforcement Bureau of the NYC Commission on Human Rights, 40 Rector Street, 10th Floor. New New York, York; call 311 (212)306-7450; or www.nyc.gov/html/cchr/html/home/home.shtml.

# **Contact the Local Police Department**

If the harassment involves unwanted physical touching, coerced physical confinement or coerced sex acts, the conduct may constitute a crime. Contact the local police department.

Remember, Logan University cannot remedy claimed harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation unless individuals bring these claims to the attention of management. Please report any conduct that violates this policy.

# **20-5 Harassment Complaint Form**

If you believe that you have been subjected to any form of harassment, including sexual harassment, you are encouraged to complete this form and submit it to the Head of Human Resources or the Manager. If you are more comfortable reporting orally or in another manner, you may do so and can follow the guidelines set forth in the Non-Harassment policy. You will not be retaliated against for filing a complaint. Once a complaint is received, Logan University will follow the investigation process described in the Non-Harassment policy.

#### **General Information**

Your Name / Job Title:

Your Department / Supervisor:
Preferred Communication Method (if via e-mail or phone, please provide contact info):
Complaint Information
<ol> <li>Please tell us who you believe has violated our policy against non-harassment, including sexual harassment. What is their relationship to you (e.g., supervisor, subordinate, co-worker, other)?</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Please describe what happened and how it is affecting you and your work. Please use additional sheets of paper if necessary and attach any relevant documents or evidence.</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Please provide specific date(s) the alleged harassment, including sexual harassment, occurred. Additionally, please advise if the alleged harassment is continuing.</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Please list the name and contact information of any witnesses or individuals who may have information related to your complaint.</li> </ol>
This last question is optional, but may help the investigation
5. Have you previously complained or provided information (oral or written) about related incidents? If yes, when and to whom did you complain or provide information?
If you have retained legal counsel and would like us to work with them, please provide their contact information.

Sign and date this form below

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# 20-6 Reproductive Health Decision Making Discrimination

Logan University may not:

- discriminate or take any retaliatory personnel action against employees with respect
  to compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment because of, or on
  the basis of, the employee's or dependent's reproductive health decision making,
  including but not limited to a decision to use or access a particular drug, device or
  medical service; or
- require employees to sign a waiver or other document that purports to deny employees the right to make their own reproductive health care decisions, including use of a particular drug, device or medical service.

The University also may not access the employee's personal information regarding the employee's or the dependent's reproductive health decision making, including but not limited to the decision to use or access a particular drug, device or medical service without the employee's prior informed affirmative written consent.

Employees may bring a civil action in any court of competent jurisdiction against the University for any alleged violations of this policy. In any civil action alleging a violation of this policy, the court may: award damages, including, but not limited to, back pay, benefits and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred to a prevailing plaintiff; afford injunctive relief against the University if it commits or proposes to commit a violation of the provisions of this policy; order reinstatement; and/or award liquidated damages equal to 100 percent of the award for damages unless the University proves a good faith basis to believe that its actions in violation of this policy were in compliance with the law.

Any act of retaliation for employees exercising any rights granted under this policy shall subject the University to separate civil penalties. For the purposes of this policy, retaliation or retaliatory personnel action means discharging, suspending, demoting or otherwise penalizing employees for: making or threatening to make a complaint to the University, co-worker or to a public body, that rights guaranteed under this policy have been violated; causing to be instituted any proceeding under or related to this policy; or providing information to or testifying before any public body conducting an investigation, hearing or inquiry into any such violation of a law, rule or regulation by the University.

Employees with issues or concerns regarding this policy or who feel they have been subjected to any alleged violation of this policy should contact Human Resource Department.

# 20-7 New York City Temporary Schedule Change

Employees who work 80 or more hours in New York City in a calendar year and have been employed by Logan University for 120 or more days are eligible for two (2) temporary changes to their work schedules each calendar year for certain "personal events."

#### **Personal Events**

A "personal event" includes the following:

- the need to care for a child under the age of 18 for whom the employee provides direct and ongoing care;
- the need to care for an individual ("care recipient") with a disability who is a family member or who resides in the caregiver's household for whom the employee provides direct and ongoing care to meet the needs of daily living;
- the need to attend a legal proceeding or hearing for public benefits to which the employee, a family member or the employee's minor child or care recipient is a party; or
- any other reason for which the employee may use leave under New York City's Paid Safe and Sick Leave law.

For purposes of this policy a "family member" includes: a child (biological, adopted, or foster child, legal ward, child of an employee standing in loco parentis); a grandchild; a spouse (current or former regardless of whether they reside together); a domestic partner (current or former regardless of whether they reside together); a parent; a grandparent; a child or parent of an employee's spouse or domestic partner; a sibling (including a half-, adopted or stepsibling); any other individual related by blood to the employee; and any individual whose close association with the employee is the equivalent of family.

### **Temporary Schedule Change**

A temporary schedule change may last up to one (1) business day on two (2) separate occasions or up to two (2) business days on one (1) occasion each calendar year. A business day is any 24-hour period during which an employee is required to work any amount of time.

A temporary change means an adjustment to an employee's usual schedule including in the hours, times or locations an employee is expected to work. The change can include:

- using short-term unpaid leave;
- using paid time off;
- working remotely; or
- swapping or shifting working hours with a co-worker.

The University has the option of granting unpaid leave in lieu of the temporary change requested by the employee.

#### **Request for Schedule Change**

Request for a temporary schedule change must be made orally or in writing to the University or to the employee's direct supervisor as soon as practicable after the employee becomes aware of the need for the change. The request should include:

- the date of the temporary schedule change;
- that the change is due to a personal event; and

 proposed type of temporary schedule change (unless the employee would like to use leave without pay).

The University will respond immediately to such requests. Assuming the employee has not exceeded the number of allowable requests and the request is for a qualifying reason, the University will either approve the proposed type of temporary schedule change or provide leave without pay. The University also may offer employees the ability to use paid time off. Employees will not be required to use leave under New York City's Paid Safe and Sick Leave law for a temporary schedule change.

If the employee requested the schedule change in person or by phone, the employee must submit a written request no later than the second business day after the employee returns to work. The employee should include in the written request the date of the temporary schedule change and that the change was due to a personal event.

The University will provide a written response to any written request for temporary schedule change within 14 days. The response will include:

- if the request was granted or denied;
- how the request was accommodated (if granted) or the reason for denial (if denied);
- number of requests the employee has made for temporary schedule changes; and
- how many days the employee has left in the year for temporary schedule changes.

Employees have the right to temporary schedule changes and may file a complaint for alleged violations of this policy and applicable law with the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs. The University prohibits retaliation or the threat of retaliation against an employee for exercising or attempting to exercise any right provided in this policy and applicable law, or interference with any investigation, proceeding or hearing related to or arising out of employees' rights pursuant to this policy and applicable law.

Employees with questions concerning this policy should contact Human Resource Department.

#### 20-8 Sick Leave

### **Eligibility**

Logan University provides paid sick leave to all employees. For employees who work in New York who are eligible for sick time under the general Sick Days policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave law or ordinance, this policy applies solely to the extent that it provides greater benefits/rights on any specific issue or issues than the general Sick Days policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave law or ordinance.

#### Grant

Employees will receive a grant of paid sick leave at the start of employment. The grant will be prorated based on the date of grant but in no circumstances will an eligible employee receive

less than one (1) hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours worked up to 56 hours in that calendar year. Thereafter, at the start of the calendar year, employees will receive a grant of 56 hours. For purposes of this policy, the calendar year is the consecutive 12-month period beginning January 1 and ending on December 31.

### Usage

Employees may begin using sick leave once it is accrued. Sick leave may be used in a minimum increment of four (4) hours. Employees may not use more than 56 hours of sick leave in any calendar year.

Employees may use accrued sick leave for the following reasons:

- a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition of the employee or family member, regardless of whether such illness, injury or health condition has been diagnosed or requires medical care at the time sick leave is requested;
- the diagnosis, care or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition of, or need for medical diagnosis of, or preventive care for, the employee or family member; or
- an absence from work due to any of the following reasons when the employee or family member has been the victim of domestic violence, a family offense, sexual offense, stalking or human trafficking:
  - to obtain services from a domestic violence shelter, rape crisis center or other services program;
  - 2. to participate in safety planning, temporarily or permanently relocate or take other actions to increase the safety of the employee or family members;
  - 3. to meet with an attorney or other social services provider to obtain information and advice on, and prepare for or participate in, any criminal or civil proceeding;
  - 4. to file a complaint or domestic incident report with law enforcement;
  - 5. to meet with a district attorney's office;
  - 6. to enroll children in a new school; or
  - 7. to take any other actions necessary to ensure the health or safety of the employee or family members or to protect associates or work colleagues.

A person who has committed such domestic violence, family offense, sexual offense, stalking or human trafficking will not be eligible for paid sick leave for situations in which the person committed such offense and was not a victim, notwithstanding any family relationship.

For purposes of this policy, "family member" means:

- a child (biological, adopted, or foster child, a legal ward or a child of the employee standing in loco parentis);
- spouse or domestic partner;
- parent (biological, foster, step, adoptive, legal guardian or person who stood in loco parentis when the employee was a minor child);

- sibling;
- grandchild or grandparent; and
- the child or parent of the employee's spouse or domestic partner.

Unless advised otherwise, the University will assume, subject to applicable law, that employees want to use available sick leave for the reasons set forth above, and employees will be paid for such absences to the extent they have paid sick leave available.

#### **Notice and Documentation**

Employees may make oral or written requests to Human Resource Department to use sick leave prior to using accrued sick leave.

The University may require supporting documentation for the use of sick leave where the employee uses sick leave for three (3) or more consecutive or previously scheduled work days or shifts, to the extent permitted by applicable law. Requests for documentation should not specify the reason for leave but should be limited to: (i) an attestation from a licensed medical provider supporting the existence of a need for sick leave, the amount of leave needed and a date that the employee may return to work; or (ii) an attestation from an employee of their eligibility to leave. The University will not require disclosure of confidential information relating to a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition or information relating to absence from work due to domestic violence, a sexual offense, stalking or human trafficking, as a condition of providing sick leave. The University will not require an employee to pay any costs or fees associated with obtaining medical or other verification of eligibility for use of sick leave.

### **Payment**

Sick leave will be paid at the employee's regular rate of pay or the applicable state minimum wage, whichever is greater. Use of sick leave is not considered hours worked for purposes of calculating overtime.

#### **Carryover and Payout**

Employees may carry over any unused sick leave to the following calendar year. However, employees only may use up to 56 hours in each calendar year. Accrued but unused sick leave will not be paid at separation.

#### **Enforcement and Retaliation**

Employees will not be discharged, threatened, penalized or in any other manner discriminated or retaliated against because they have exercised their rights to request and use sick leave under this policy and applicable law.

If employees have any questions regarding this policy, they should contact Human Resource Department.

### 20-9 Lactation Breaks

Employees who are nursing are provided with break time to express breast milk for up to three years after the birth of a child. Employees will not be discriminated against or retaliated against for exercising their rights under this policy and reasonable efforts will be made to provide a private room or location in close proximity to the work area for this purpose.

# 20-10 Jury Duty Leave

Logan University realizes that it is the obligation of all U.S. citizens to serve on a jury when summoned to do so. All employees will be allowed time off to perform such civic service as required by law. Employees are expected, however, to provide proper notice of a request to perform jury duty and verification of their service, including fees received for jury duty service.

Employees also are expected to keep management informed of the expected length of jury duty service and to report to work for the major portion of the day if excused by the court. If the required absence presents a serious conflict for management, employees may be asked to try to postpone jury duty.

The University will not compensate non-exempt employees for time off while on jury duty leave. Exempt employees will be paid their full salary less jury duty fees for any week in which they performed work for the University and missed work due to jury service.

# 20-11 Witness Leave

An employee called to serve as a witness in a judicial proceeding must notify his/her supervisor as soon as possible.

Employees will not be compensated for time away from work to participate in a court case, but may use available vacation and personal time to cover the period of absence.

Employees that appear in court to testify as a witness or victim, or to consult with a district attorney or obtain an order of protection, will not be disciplined or discharged for their absence.

# 20-12 Voting Leave

Employees who are eligible to vote in an election may request up to two hours with pay to vote, unless "sufficient time" exists outside of working hours, i.e. four consecutive nonworking hours while polls are open.

Employees must notify the University of their intention to vote at least 2 but not more than 10 working days prior to Election Day.

# 20-13 Statutory Short-Term Disability Benefits

Logan University also provides statutory short-term disability insurance.

This is solely a monetary benefit and not a leave of absence. Employees who will be out of work must also request a formal leave of absence. See the Leave of Absence sections of this handbook for more information.

# 20-14 Family Military Leave

Employees who work an average of at least 20 hours per week and are spouses of military members generally are entitled to up to 10 days of unpaid leave during any period when the spouse in the military is on leave from active duty. Prior notice is requested for staffing reasons. Employees will not be retaliated against for exercising their rights under this policy.

Leave runs concurrently with FMLA Qualifying Exigency leave to the extent both are applicable.

# 20-15 State Paid Family Leave

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Employees who have a regular work schedule of 20 or more hours per week and have been employed at least 26 consecutive weeks prior to the date Paid Family Leave (PFL) begins (or who have a regular work schedule of less than 20 hours per week and have worked at least 175 days to the date PFL begins) are eligible for PFL. Paid time off can be counted toward an employee's eligibility determination. Employees are eligible for PFL regardless of citizenship and/or immigration status. Employees have the option to file a waiver of PFL and therefore not be subject to deductions when their regular employment schedule is:

- 20 or more hours per week but the employee will not work 26 consecutive weeks;
   or
- fewer than 20 hours per week and the employee will not work 175 days in a 52-consecutive-week period

#### **Entitlement**

PFL is available to eligible employees for up to eight (8) weeks (increases to 10 weeks on or after January 1, 2019 and up to 12 weeks on or after January 1, 2021) within any 52-consecutive-week period. PFL is available for any of the following reasons:

- to participate in providing care, including physical or psychological care, for the employee's family member (child, spouse, domestic partner, parent, parent-in-law, grandchild or grandparent) with a serious health condition; or
- to bond with the employee's child during the first 12 months after the child's birth, adoption or foster care placement; or
- for qualifying exigencies, as interpreted by the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), arising out of the fact that the employee's spouse, domestic partner, child or parent is on active duty (or has been notified of an impending call or order to active duty) in the armed forces of the United States.

The 52-consecutive-week period is determined retroactively with respect to each day for which PFL benefits are currently being claimed.

# PFL benefits are financed solely through employee contributions via payroll deductions.

The weekly monetary benefit will be 50 percent of the employee's average weekly wage or 50 percent of the state average weekly wage, whichever is less (*increases to 55 percent on or after January 1, 2019, 60 percent on or after January 1, 2020 and 67 percent or after January 1, 2021*).

The University and an employee may agree to allow the employee to supplement PFL benefits up to their full salary with paid time off, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law.

An employee who is eligible for both statutory short-term disability benefits and PFL during the same period of 52-consecutive-calendar weeks may not receive more than 26 total weeks of disability and PFL benefits during that period of time. Statutory short-term disability benefits and PFL benefits may not be used concurrently. If an employee is unable to work and qualifies for workers' compensation benefits, the employee may not use PFL benefits at the same time the employee is receiving workers' compensation benefits. An employee receiving reduced earnings may be eligible for PFL.

Leave may <u>not</u> be taken for any one of, or for a combination of, the following reasons:

- for a birth mother's pregnancy or prenatal conditions;
- for an employee's own health condition; and/or
- for an employee's own qualifying military event.

#### **Definition of a Serious Health Condition**

A serious health condition is an illness, injury, impairment or physical or mental condition that involves inpatient care in a hospital, hospice or residential health care facility; or continuing treatment or continuing supervision by a health care provider.

#### **Use of Leave**

An employee does not need to use this leave entitlement in one (1) block. Leave can be taken intermittently in daily increments. Leave taken on an intermittent basis will not result in a reduction of the total amount of leave to which an employee is entitled beyond the amount of leave actually taken.

#### **Employee Responsibilities**

An employee must provide 30 days' advance notice before the date leave is to begin if the qualifying event is foreseeable. When 30 days' notice is not practicable for reasons such as lack of knowledge of approximately when leave will be required to begin, a change in circumstances, or a medical emergency, the employee must provide notice as soon as practicable and generally must comply with the University's normal call-in procedures. Failure

by the employee to give 30 days' advance notice of a foreseeable event may result in partial denial of the employee's benefits for a period of up to 30 days from the date notice is provided.

Employees must provide sufficient information to make the University aware of the qualifying event and the anticipated timing and duration of the leave. Employees must specifically identify the type of family leave requested. Employees also must provide medical certifications and periodic recertification or other supporting documentation or certifications supporting the need for leave. An employee requesting PFL must submit a completed Request for Paid Family Leave or PFL-1 form and additional certification form(s) as follows to the University's insurance carrier: 1) Bonding Certification: PFL-2 Form plus documentation; 2) Health Care Provider Certification: PFL-4 Form plus Personal Health Information (PHI) Release (PFL-3 Form); or 3) Military Qualifying Event: PFL-5 Form plus documentation. These documents are available from Human Resource Department.

To submit a request for PFL, employees must complete the employee's portion of the insurance carrier's PFL-1 Form, and submit it to ##NYCompnayContact##. The University will complete its section of the form and will return it to the employee within three (3) business days. If the University fails to respond, employees may submit all materials directly to the insurance carrier. Depending on the type of PFL leave employees are seeking, employees will be required to complete additional PFL forms as described in the communication that employees will receive from the insurance carrier. Employees must submit the completed PFL forms before or within 30 days after the start of their leave. The insurance carrier must pay or deny leave requests within 18 calendar days of receiving an employee's completed forms.

#### **Job Benefits and Protection**

During any PFL taken pursuant to this policy, the University will maintain coverage under any existing group health insurance benefits plan as if the employee had continued to work. The employee must make arrangements with Human Resources prior to taking leave to pay their portion of any applicable health insurance premiums each month.

The University's obligation to maintain health insurance coverage ceases if an employee's premium payment is more than 30 days late. If an employee's payment is more than 15 days late, the University will send a letter notifying the employee that coverage will be dropped on a specified date unless the co-payment is received before that date.

Employees who exercise their right to PFL will, upon the expiration of that leave, be entitled to be restored to the position they held when the leave commenced, or to a comparable position with comparable benefits, pay and other terms and conditions of employment. The taking of leave covered by PFL will not result in the loss of any employment benefit accrued prior to the date on which the leave commenced. While on PFL, employees will not continue to accrue sick or vacation time.

#### Leave Concurrent with FMLA

The University will require an employee, who is entitled to leave under both the Family & Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and PFL, to take PFL concurrently with any leave taken pursuant to the FMLA. When the total hours taken for FMLA in less than full-day increments reaches

the number of hours in an employee's usual workday, the University may deduct one (1) day of PFL from an employee's annual available PFL.

### Questions and/or Complaints about PFL

If employees have any questions regarding this policy, they should contact Human Resource Department. For additional information concerning leave entitlements and obligations that might arise when PFL is either not available or exhausted, employees should consult the University's other leave policies or contact Human Resources. The University is committed to complying with the PFL and will interpret and apply this policy in a manner consistent with the PFL. Employees who disagree with a denial of their claim for PFL may submit their dispute to arbitration. Employees will be provided with information about how to request arbitration.

Employees are protected from discrimination and retaliation for requesting or taking PFL. If employees believe their rights have been violated and/or they have been denied job restoration as a result of requesting and/or taking PFL, they must send the Head of Human Resources a formal request for job reinstatement using the Formal Request for Reinstatement Regarding Paid Family Leave (Form PFL-DC-119), which can be found in the forms section of <a href="https://www.ny.gov/PaidFamilyLeave">https://www.ny.gov/PaidFamilyLeave</a>. Employees must file the completed form with the University and send a copy to: Paid Family Leave, P.O. Box 9030, Endicott, NY 13761-9030.

If the University does not comply with an employee's request for reinstatement within 30 days, the employee may file a PFL discrimination complaint with the Workers' compensation Board using the Paid Family Leave Discrimination Complaint (Form PFL-DC-120), which is also available on the New York Paid Family Leave website. Once an employee's complaint is received, the Board will assemble the employee's case and schedule a preliminary hearing in front of a Workers' Compensation Law Judge.

# 20-16 Receipt of Non-Harassment Policy

It is Logan University's policy to prohibit intentional and unintentional harassment of or against job applicants, contractors, interns, volunteers or employees by another employee, supervisor, vendor, customer or any third party on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, age, sex or gender (including pregnancy, childbirth and pregnancy-related conditions), gender identity or expression (including transgender status), sexual orientation, marital status, military service and veteran status, physical or mental disability, genetic information or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local laws (referred to as "protected characteristics"). The University also prohibits retaliation as defined below. All such conduct will not be tolerated by the University.

The University is committed to a workplace free of harassment (including sexual harassment) and retaliation. These behaviors are unacceptable in the workplace and in any work-related settings such as business trips and University-sponsored social functions, regardless of whether the conduct is engaged in by a supervisor, co-worker, client, customer, vendor or other third party. In addition to being a violation of this policy, harassment (including sexual harassment) and retaliation based on any protected characteristic as defined by applicable federal, state or local laws are unlawful. For example, sexual harassment and retaliation against an individual because the individual filed a complaint of sexual harassment or because an individual aided, assisted or testified in an investigation or proceeding involving a complaint of sexual harassment are unlawful.

#### **Definition of Harassment**

Harassment generally is defined in this policy as unwelcome verbal, visual or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual because of any actual or perceived protected characteristic or has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Harassment can be verbal (including slurs, jokes, insults, epithets, gestures or teasing), visual (including offensive posters, symbols, cartoons, drawings, computer displays, text messages, social media posts or e-mails) or physical conduct (including physically threatening another, blocking someone's way, etc.). Such conduct violates this policy, even if it does not rise to the level of a violation of applicable federal, state or local laws. Because it is difficult to define unlawful harassment, employees are expected to behave at all times in a manner consistent with the intended purpose of this policy.

#### **Definition of Sexual Harassment**

Sexual harassment can include all of the above actions, as well as other unwelcome conduct, such as unwelcome or unsolicited sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, conversations regarding sexual activities and other verbal, visual or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- submission to that conduct or those advances or requests is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; or
- submission to or rejection of the conduct or advances or requests by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the individual; or
- the conduct or advances or requests have the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

# Examples of conduct that violate this policy include:

- 1. unwelcome flirtations, leering, whistling, touching, pinching, assault, blocking normal movement:
- requests for sexual favors or demands for sexual favors in exchange for favorable treatment;
- 3. obscene or vulgar gestures, posters or comments;
- 4. sexual jokes or comments about a person's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies;
- 5. propositions or suggestive or insulting comments of a sexual nature;
- 6. derogatory cartoons, posters and drawings;
- 7. sexually-explicit e-mails, text messages or voicemails;
- 8. uninvited touching of a sexual nature;
- 9. unwelcome sexually-related comments;
- 10. conversation about one's own or someone else's sex life;
- 11. conduct or comments consistently targeted at only one gender, even if the content is not sexual; and
- 12. teasing or other conduct directed toward a person because of the person's gender.

#### **Definition of Retaliation**

Retaliation means adverse conduct taken because an individual reported an actual or perceived violation of this policy, opposed practices prohibited by this policy or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below. "Adverse conduct" includes but is not limited to:

- any action that would discourage the employee from reporting harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation;
- shunning and avoiding an individual who reports harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation;
- express or implied threats or intimidation intended to prevent an individual from reporting harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation; and
- denying employment benefits because an applicant or employee reported or encouraged another employee to report harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation or participated in the reporting and investigation process described below.

# **Reporting Procedures**

If the employee believes someone has violated this policy, the employee should promptly bring the matter to the immediate attention of the Head of Human Resources at the following address 1851 Schoettler Rd, Chesterfield, MO 63017 and phone number 6362301720 or to the Manager at the following address 1851 Schoettler Rd, Chesterfield, MO 63017 and phone number 6362272100.

If the person toward whom the complaint is directed is one of the individuals indicated above, employees should contact any higher-level manager in their reporting hierarchy.

Written complaints can be submitted internally using the form provided in this handbook.

If the employee makes a complaint under this policy and has not received an initial response within five (5) business days, the employee should contact the President immediately at the following address 1851 Schoettler Rd. and phone number (636) 230-1934.

Every supervisor who learns of any employee's concern about conduct in violation of this policy, whether in a formal complaint or informally, or who otherwise is aware of conduct in violation of this policy, must immediately report the issues raised or conduct to the Head of Human Resources.

# **Investigation Procedures**

Upon receiving a complaint, the University will promptly conduct a fair and thorough investigation into the facts and circumstances of any claim of a violation of this policy to ensure due process for all parties. To the extent possible, the University will endeavor to keep the reporting individual's concerns confidential. However, complete confidentiality may not be possible in all circumstances. All individuals are required to cooperate in all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy.

During the investigation, the University generally will interview the complainant and the accused, conduct further interviews as necessary and review any relevant documents or other information. Upon completion of the investigation, the University will determine whether this policy has been violated based upon its reasonable evaluation of the information gathered during the investigation. The University will inform the complainant and the accused of the results of the investigation.

The University will take corrective measures against any person who it finds to have engaged in conduct in violation of this policy, if the University determines such measures are necessary. These measures may include, but are not limited to, counseling, suspension or immediate termination. Anyone, regardless of position or title, whom the University determines has engaged in conduct that violates this policy will be subject to discipline, up to and including termination. This includes individuals engaging in harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation, as well as supervisors who fail to report violations of this policy, or knowingly allow prohibited conduct to continue. Individuals who engage in conduct that rises to the level of a violation of law can be held personally liable for such conduct.

# **Legal Protections and External Remedies**

Aside from the internal complaint process at the University, individuals may choose to pursue external legal remedies with the following governmental entities.

# State Human Rights Law (HRL)

The Human Rights Law (HRL), codified as N.Y. Executive Law, art. 15, § 290 et seq., applies to all employers in New York State with regard to sexual harassment, and protects employees, paid or unpaid interns and non-employees, regardless of immigration status. A complaint alleging violation of the HRL may be filed either with the Division of Human Rights (DHR) or in New York State Supreme Court.

Complaints with DHR may be filed any time within three (3) years of the sexual harassment or within one (1) year of any other harassment. If an individual did not file at DHR, they can sue directly in state court under the HRL, within three (3) years of the alleged harassment. An individual may not file with DHR if they have already filed a HRL complaint in state court.

Complaining internally to the University does not extend the time to file with DHR or in court.

An attorney is not needed to file a complaint with DHR, and there is no cost to file with DHR.

DHR will investigate complaints and determine whether there is probable cause to believe that sexual harassment has occurred. Probable cause cases are forwarded to a public hearing before an administrative law judge. If sexual harassment is found after a hearing, DHR has the power to award relief, which varies but may include requiring the employer to take action to stop the harassment, or redress the damage caused, including paying of monetary damages, attorney's fees and civil fines.

DHR's main office contact information is: NYS Division of Human Rights, One Fordham Plaza, Fourth Floor, Bronx, New York 10458; (718) 741-8400; www.dhr.ny.gov.

Contact DHR at (888) 392-3644 or visit dhr.ny.gov/complaint for more information about filing a complaint. The website has a complaint form that can be downloaded, filled out, notarized and mailed to DHR. The website also contains contact information for DHR's regional offices across New York State.

#### Civil Rights Act of 1964

The United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) enforces federal antidiscrimination laws, including Title VII of the 1964 federal Civil Rights Act (codified as 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq.). An individual can file a complaint with the EEOC anytime within 300 days from the harassment. There is no cost to file a complaint with the EEOC. The EEOC will investigate the complaint and determine whether there is reasonable cause to believe that discrimination has occurred, at which point the EEOC will issue a Right to Sue letter permitting the individual to file a complaint in federal court.

The EEOC does not hold hearings or award relief but may take other action including pursuing cases in federal court on behalf of complaining parties. Federal courts may award remedies if

discrimination is found to have occurred. In general, private employers must have at least 15 employees to come within the jurisdiction of the EEOC.

An individual alleging discrimination at work can file a "Charge of Discrimination." The EEOC has district, area and field offices where complaints can be filed. Contact the EEOC by calling 1-800-669-4000 (TTY: 1-800-669-6820), visiting their website at www.eeoc.gov or via email at info@eeoc.gov.

If an individual filed an administrative complaint with DHR, DHR will file the complaint with the EEOC to preserve the right to proceed in federal court.

### **Local Protections**

Many localities enforce laws protecting individuals from harassment and discrimination. An individual should contact the county, city or town in which they live to find out if such a law exists. For example, those who work in New York City may file complaints of sexual harassment with the New York City Commission on Human Rights. Contact their main office at Law Enforcement Bureau of the NYC Commission on Human Rights, 40 Rector Street, 10th (212)Floor, New York, New York: call 311 or 306-7450: visit www.nyc.gov/html/cchr/html/home/home.shtml.

### **Contact the Local Police Department**

If the harassment involves unwanted physical touching, coerced physical confinement or coerced sex acts, the conduct may constitute a crime. Contact the local police department.

Remember, Logan University cannot remedy claimed harassment (including sexual harassment) or retaliation unless individuals bring these claims to the attention of management. Please report any conduct that violates this policy.

I have read and I understand Logan University's Non-Harassment Policy.

Employee's Printed Name:	
Employee's Signature:	
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Position:	<del></del>
Date:	

The signed original copy of this receipt should be given to management - it will be filed in your personnel file.

# Section 21 - North Carolina Addendum

# 21-1 School Attendance Leave

Logan University will grant employees who are parents or guardians of school-age children up to four (4) hours of unpaid leave during any 12-month period to participate in activities at their children's school. Forty-eight hours' written advance notice is required. The leave shall occur at a time mutually agreed upon by the employee and the University. The University may require verification of the employee's participation in the school activities. Employees must first use accrued paid time off for this purpose.

# **Section 22 - Oregon Addendum**

### 22-1 Sick Time

## **Eligibility**

Logan University provides paid sick time to employees who work in Oregon. For employees whose primary place of work is in Oregon and who are eligible for sick time under the general Paid Sick Days policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave law or ordinance, this policy applies solely to the extent it provides greater benefits/rights on any specific issue or issues than the general Paid Sick Days policy and/or any other applicable sick time/leave law or ordinance.

#### Grant

Employees receive a grant of 40 hours of paid sick time at the start of employment. Thereafter, at the start of the calendar year, employees will receive a grant of 40 hours of paid sick time. For purposes of this policy, the year is the consecutive 12-month period beginning January 1 and ending on December 31.

Employees will be notified in writing at least quarterly of the amount of accrued and unused sick time available for use by the employee.

## **Usage**

Employees may begin using accrued paid sick time on the 91st calendar day of employment. Paid sick time may be used in hourly increments. The employee may not use more than 40 hours of accrued paid sick time in any year.

The employee may use paid sick time for the following reasons:

- for the employee's or a family member's (spouse, same-gender domestic partner, custodial, non-custodial, in loco parentis, adoptive, foster, biological or step parent, parent-in-law, parent of a same-gender domestic partner, grandparent, grandchild, biological, adopted, foster, or stepchild, whether a minor, an adult or child of a samegender domestic partner) mental or physical illness, injury or health condition, need for medical diagnosis, care or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition or need for preventive medical care;
- 2. for any covered purpose under the Oregon Family Leave Act:
  - a. to recover from or seek treatment for a serious health condition, as defined under Oregon law, that renders the employee unable to perform at least one of the essential functions of his or her regular position;
  - b. to care for a family member with a serious health condition, as defined under Oregon law:
  - c. to care for an infant or newly adopted child under 18 years of age, or for a newly placed foster child under 18 years of age, or for an adopted or foster

- child older than 18 years of age if the child is incapable of self-care because of a mental or physical disability;
- d. to care for a child who is suffering from an illness, injury or condition that is not a serious health condition but that requires home care; or
- e. for bereavement purposes, e.g., to deal with the death of a family member by attending a funeral (or alternative to a funeral), making related arrangements or grieving, within 60 days of the date on which the employee received notice of the death of the family member; or
- for reasons relating to domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault or stalking of the employee or the employee's minor child or dependent in accordance with Oregon law, such as:
  - a. to seek legal or law enforcement assistance or remedies to ensure the health and safety of the employee or the employee's minor child or dependent, including preparing for and participating in protective order proceedings or other related civil or criminal legal proceedings;
  - b. to seek medical treatment for or to recover from related injuries;
  - c. to obtain, or to assist a minor child or dependent in obtaining counseling from a licensed mental health professional;
  - d. to obtain services from a victim services provider; or
  - to relocate or take steps to secure an existing home to ensure the health and safety of the eligible employee or the employee's minor child or dependent; or
- 4. in the event of a public health emergency, which includes, but is not limited to:
  - closure of the employee's place of business or the school or place of care of the employee's child, by order of a public official due to a public health emergency;
  - b. a determination by a lawful public health authority or by a health care provider that the presence of the employee or the family member of the employee in the community would jeopardize the health of others, such that the employee must provide self-care or care for the family member; or
  - c. the exclusion of the employee from the workplace under any law or rule that requires the employer to exclude the employee from the workplace for health reasons.

Paid sick time will run concurrently with any applicable law for which the employee qualifies, including the Oregon Family Leave Act (reason 2 above) and the Oregon leave law for victims of domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault or stalking (reason 3 above).

Unless the employee advises the University otherwise, the University will assume, subject to applicable law, that employees want to use available paid sick leave for absences due to reasons set forth above and employees will be paid for such absences to the extent they have leave available.

#### **Notice and Documentation**

For foreseeable absences, employees must comply with the University's usual and customary notice and procedural requirements when requesting time off pursuant to this policy. Employees must make a reasonable attempt to schedule the use of paid sick time in a manner that does not unduly disrupt the University's operations. If possible, employees must include the anticipated duration of their absence when requesting paid sick time and must inform the University of any change in the expected duration of the absence. If the need to use paid sick time is unforeseeable (such as a sudden illness, an emergency, or an accident), notice to the Head of Human Resources is required before the start of the employee's shift or, when circumstances prevent such notice, as soon as practicable.

If the employee takes more than three (3) consecutively scheduled workdays of paid sick time for reasons 1 through 3 above, documentation of the need for the paid sick time may be required in the form of verification from a health care provider or certification such as:

- a copy of a police report indicating that the employee or the employee's minor child or dependent was a victim of domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault or stalking;
- a copy of a protective order or other evidence from a court, administrative agency or attorney that the employee appeared in or was preparing for a civil, criminal or administrative proceeding related to domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault or stalking; or
- documentation from an attorney, law enforcement officer, health care professional, licensed mental health professional or counselor, member of the clergy or victim services provider that the employee or the employee's minor child or dependent was undergoing treatment or counseling, obtaining services or relocating as a result of domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault or stalking.

If foreseeable paid sick time is projected to last more than three (3) scheduled work days, the verification/certification which may be requested above should be provided before the sick time commences or as soon as otherwise practicable. If the employee needs to take paid sick time but was not able to provide prior notice, medical verification permitted under this policy must be provided to the University within 15 calendar days of the request for such verification. Certification for paid sick time used for reason 3 (above) must be provided within a reasonable time after the request for such certification.

Additionally, if the employee is suspected of abusing this policy, the University may require verification from a health care provider, regardless of whether the employee has used paid sick time for more than three (3) consecutive days. Conduct that may indicate a pattern of abuse under this policy includes, but is not limited to, repeated uses of unscheduled paid sick time on or adjacent to weekends, holidays, vacation days or payday.

### **Payment**

Sick time will be paid at the regular hourly rate that the employee earns for the workweek in which sick time was used, which will be no less than the applicable minimum wage rate. The University reserves the right to delay payment for paid sick leave if the employee fails to provide verification or certification within the required timeframe. Use of paid sick time is not considered hours worked for purposes of calculating overtime.

## **Carryover and Payout**

As required by law, employees must also be permitted to roll over at least 40 hours of accrued sick time from year to year. Employers may limit accrual to 80 hours total or may cap usage at 40 hours per year. If the leave is paid, it must be paid at the employee's regular rate.

#### **Enforcement and Retaliation**

The University will not deny, interfere with, restrain or fail to pay for sick time to which the employee is entitled pursuant to this policy and/or applicable law, or retaliate or discriminate against the employee who requests or takes time off pursuant to this policy or participates in any manner in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing related to this policy and/or applicable law. Employees may file a complaint with the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries.

If employees have any questions regarding this policy, they should contact Human Resource Department.

### 22-2 Lactation Breaks

Subject to certain exceptions, employees who are nursing may take a reasonable rest period to express milk each time they have a need to express milk for their child who is 18 months of age or younger. The employee will, if feasible, take the rest periods to express milk at the same time as the rest periods or meal periods that are otherwise provided to the employee. Logan University will make reasonable efforts to provide a location, other than a public restroom or toilet stall, in close proximity to the employee's work area for the employee to express milk in private. Employees will not be retaliated against for exercising their rights under this policy.

### 22-3 Bone Marrow Donation Leave

Employees who work 20 or more hours per week are entitled to up to 40 hours of unpaid leave for the purposes of donating bone marrow. Verification of donation and the length of necessary leave may be required by the University. Reasonable notice of leave must be provided. Employees may use accrued paid time off for this purpose.

# 22-4 Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking Leave

Employees who are victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking, or are the parent or guardian of a minor child or dependent who is a victim, may take reasonable, unpaid time off from work to deal with the violence.

The leave can be used for any of the following reasons:

- to obtain services from a victim services provider for the eligible employee or the employee's minor child or dependent; or
- to seek medical treatment for or to recover from injuries caused by domestic violence or sexual assault or stalking of the eligible employee or the employee's minor child or dependent;
- to obtain, or to assist a minor child or dependent in obtaining counseling from a licensed mental health professional related to an experience of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking;
- to relocate or take steps to secure an existing home to ensure the health and safety of the eligible employee or the employee's minor child or dependent; or
- to seek legal or law enforcement assistance or remedies to ensure the health and safety of the employee or the employee's minor child or dependent, including preparing for, and participating in, protective order proceedings or other civil or criminal legal proceedings related to domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking;

Employees will not be compensated for time away from work for purposes related to domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking, but may use available vacation and personal time to cover the period of absence.

Employees must give reasonable notice of their intention to take time off from work, unless giving such notice is not feasible. Leave may be limited where it creates an undue hardship on the University's business.

The University may require certification that the employee or employee's minor child or dependent is a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking, and that the leave was taken for purposes allowed under the law.

Employees also may request a reasonable safety accommodation if they are a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking, or are the parent or guardian of a minor child or dependent who is a victim.

### 22-5 Victims of Crime

As required by law, employees who are victims of a crime or whose family members are crime victims may take reasonable, unpaid time off from work to attend criminal proceedings. To be eligible for the leave, the employee must work for an employer with six (6) or more employees and have worked for more than 25 hours a week for at least 180 days prior to the leave.

Employees will not be compensated for crime victim leave, but may use available vacation and personal time to cover the period of absence.

Employees must give reasonable notice of their intention to take crime victim leave and must provide copies of notices of scheduled criminal proceedings. Leave may be limited where it creates an undue hardship on Logan University's business.

22-6 Public Health Emergency

As required by law, during a public health emergency as declared by the governor, Logan University will provide leave to employees pursuant to the Oregon Family and Medical Leave Act. Please see Human Resources.

# Section 23 - Pennsylvania Addendum

# 23-1 Philadelphia Notice Regarding Unpaid Wages

Employees who work in Philadelphia may file a wage theft complaint or bring a civil action for unpaid wages pursuant to Philadelphia's Wage Theft Ordinance (Ordinance).

A signed wage theft complaint, in which the alleged unpaid wages are equal to or greater than the minimum threshold amount of \$100 and equal to or less than the maximum threshold amount of \$100,000, must be filed with the wage theft coordinator in the Mayor's Office of Benefits and Wage Compliance less than three (3) years from the date the alleged wage theft occurred.

Retaliation for exercising rights provided under the Ordinance, such as filing a complaint or bringing a civil action, is prohibited.

### 23-2 Emergency Responder Leave

Logan University will not discharge employees who serve as volunteer emergency workers and are absent from or late to work due to their participation in, or resulting injury from, an emergency situation. Volunteer emergency workers include volunteer firefighters, emergency medical technicians, ambulance drivers or attendants, first responders, members of county municipal emergency services and disaster agencies, and auxiliary policemen or deputies. Employees must make a reasonable effort to notify the University that they may be absent from or late to work.

### 23-3 State of Emergency Leave

Logan University will not terminate or discipline an employee for failing to report to work because of a road closure in the county where the employee lives or works due to a state of emergency declared by the governor. Leave will be considered unpaid.

# Section 24 - South Carolina Addendum

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Employee Handbook
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**SOUTH CAROLINA** 

This acknowledgement should be signed by the employee and given to the employee. PURSUANT TO SOUTH CAROLINA LAW, I ACKNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTAND THAT THIS EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK DOES NOT CREATE AN EXPRESS OR IMPLIED CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY AND ME.

I AGREE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I AM AN AT-WILL EMPLOYEE, MEANING THAT I CAN QUIT OR BE TERMINATED AT ANY TIME, FOR ANY REASON OR NO REASON. I AGREE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS AT-WILL RELATIONSHIP CANNOT BE ALTERED AND THAT NO CONTRACT CAN BE FORMED REGARDING ANY TERM OR CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT UNLESS IT IS IN WRITING AND SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT, THE HEAD OF HUMAN RESOURCES, THE VICE PRESIDENT, CABINET. I ALSO AGREE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS IS THE FIRST PAGE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA PORTION OF THE HANDBOOK GIVEN TO ME.

 Employee Signature
 Date

# 24-1 Pregnancy Accommodations

In compliance with South Carolina law (S.C. Code Ann. §1-13-80), Logan University will not discriminate against an individual because of pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, including, but not limited to, lactation. The University will endeavor to make reasonable accommodations for the employee's medical needs arising from pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, unless doing so would impose an undue hardship on the operation of the business.

#### **Reasonable Accommodations**

Reasonable accommodations may include, but are not limited to:

- 1. making existing facilities readily accessible to, and usable by, such employees, including acquiring or modifying equipment or devices necessary for performing essential job functions:
- 2. providing more frequent or longer break periods;
- 3. providing more frequent bathroom breaks;

- 4. providing a private place, other than a bathroom stall for the purpose of expressing milk:
- 5. modifying the University's food or drink policy;
- 6. modifying work schedules;
- 7. providing seating or allowing the employee to sit more frequently;
- 8. providing assistance with manual labor and limits on lifting;
- 9. temporarily transferring the employee to a less strenuous or hazardous vacant position, if qualified; or
- 10. providing job restructuring or light duty, if available.

### The University will not:

- deny employment opportunities to the employee based on the need to make such reasonable accommodations;
- require the employee to accept an accommodation that the employee chooses not to accept, if the employee does not have a known limitation related to pregnancy, or if the accommodation is unnecessary for the employee to perform the essential duties of their job;
- require the employee to take leave under any leave law or University policy if another reasonable accommodation can be provided to the employee; or
- take any adverse action against the employee in the terms, conditions or privileges of employment for requesting or using a reasonable accommodation.

### **Contact for Questions and Requests**

If employees have any questions concerning this policy or if they wish to request an accommodation, they should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager.

### 24-2 Lactation Accommodation

Pursuant to South Carolina Lactation Support Act, Logan University supports the legal right and necessity of employees who choose to express milk in the workplace. This policy is to establish guidelines for promoting a breastfeeding-friendly work environment and supporting lactating employees at the University.

The University will make reasonable efforts to provide a reasonable amount of unpaid break time to accommodate employees desiring to express breast milk for their child, unless doing so poses an undue hardship on the University. If possible, the lactation break time must run concurrently with break time already provided to employees. Lactation break time that cannot run concurrently with paid break time already provided will be unpaid, subject to applicable law.

The University will make reasonable efforts to provide employees with use of a room or location in close proximity to their work area, other than a toilet stall, in order to express milk in private.

Employees will not be discriminated against or retaliated against for choosing to express breast milk in the workplace in compliance with this policy and the law. Employees can contact Human Resource Department with questions regarding this policy.

#### 24-3 Bone Marrow Leave

As required by law, Logan University may grant paid leaves of absence to an employee who seeks to undergo a medical procedure to donate bone marrow. The combined length of paid leaves of absence requested by an employee must be determined by the employee but may not exceed forty work hours unless the University agrees to a longer period of time. The University may require verification by a physician of the purpose and length of each paid leave of absence requested by the employee to donate bone marrow. If there is a medical determination that the employee does not qualify as a bone marrow donor, the paid leave of absence granted to the employee before that medical determination is not forfeited. The University will not retaliate against an employee for requesting or obtaining a paid leave of absence as provided by this section.

# Section 25 - Tennessee Addendum

# **25-1 Pregnancy Accommodations**

In compliance with Tennessee Pregnant Workers Fairness Act, Logan University will make reasonable accommodations for medical needs arising from pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions of an applicant for employment or an employee, unless the accommodation would impose an undue hardship on business operations.

The University will not take adverse action against employees in terms, conditions or privileges of employment for requesting or using a reasonable accommodation to the known limitations for medical needs arising from pregnancy, childbirth or related conditions, including, but not limited to, counting an absence related to pregnancy under the attendance policy. The University will not require employees to take leave if another reasonable accommodation can be provided to the known limitations for medical needs arising from pregnancy, childbirth or related conditions.

Reasonable accommodations include but are not limited to:

- 1. making existing facilities used by employees readily accessible and usable;
- 2. providing more frequent, longer or flexible breaks;
- 3. modifying food or drink policy;
- 4. providing modified seating or allowing employees to sit more frequently if the job requires standing;
- 5. providing assistance with manual labor and limits on lifting;
- 6. authorizing a temporary transfer to a vacant position;
- 7. providing job restructuring or light duty, if available;
- 8. acquiring or modifying equipment, devices or work stations;
- 9. modifying work schedules:
- 10. allowing flexible scheduling for prenatal visits; and
- 11. providing a private place, other than a bathroom stall, for the purpose of expressing milk.

The University reserves the right, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, to request medical certification from a healthcare professional if an individual is requesting a reasonable accommodation related to temporary transfer to a vacant position, job restructuring, light duty or accommodations that require time away from work. The University will engage in an interactive process with the individual to determine if a reasonable accommodation can be provided, absent undue hardship, while the individual is making a good faith effort to obtain the medical certification. The University will not take adverse action against employees related to their need for accommodation while they are engaging in good faith efforts to obtain medical certification.

Any questions about or requests for a reasonable accommodation pursuant to this policy, should be directed to the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager.

### 25-2 Abusive Conduct Prevention

At Logan University all employees have the right to be treated with dignity and respect. Logan University does not tolerate and prohibits abusive conduct in the workplace. These behaviors are unacceptable in the workplace and in any work-related settings such as business trips and University-sponsored social functions.

#### **Abusive Conduct Defined**

Abusive conduct is defined under this policy as acts or omissions that would cause a reasonable person, based on the severity, nature and frequency of the conduct, to believe that the employee was subject to an abusive work environment, which can include but is not limited to:

- repeated verbal abuse in the workplace, including derogatory remarks, insults and epithets;
- verbal, nonverbal or physical conduct of a threatening, abusive, violent, intimidating or humiliating nature in the workplace; or
- the sabotage or undermining of the employee's work performance in the workplace.

### Abusive conduct does not include:

- disciplinary procedures in accordance with adopted University policies;
- routine coaching and counseling, including feedback about and correction of work performance;
- reasonable work assignments, including shift, post and overtime assignments;
- individual differences in styles of personal expression;
- passionate, loud expression with no intent to harm others;
- differences of opinion on work-related concerns; and
- the non-abusive exercise of managerial prerogative.

### **Reporting Procedures**

If employees believe someone has violated this policy, they should promptly bring the matter to the immediate attention of the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager and/or Chief of Compliance & Engagement. Every supervisor who learns of any employee's concern about conduct in violation of this policy, whether in a formal complaint or informally, or who otherwise is aware of conduct in violation of this policy, must immediately report the issues raised or conduct to the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager and/or Chief of Compliance & Engagement.

### **Investigation Procedures**

Upon receiving a complaint, the University will promptly conduct an investigation into the facts and circumstances of any claim of a violation of this policy. Employees who file complaints will

not suffer negative consequences for reporting others for inappropriate behavior. To the extent possible, the University will endeavor to keep confidential each party involved in the investigation. However, complete confidentiality may not be possible in all circumstances. Employees are required to cooperate in all investigations conducted pursuant to this policy. The University will take corrective measures against any person who it finds to have engaged in conduct in violation of this policy, if the University determines such measures are necessary. These measures may include, but are not limited to, counseling, suspension or immediate termination.

#### Retaliation

The University will not tolerate retaliation, including any act of reprisal, interference, restraint, penalty, discrimination, intimidation or harassment against an individual or individuals exercising their rights under this policy.

Employees with questions or concerns regarding this policy should contact the Head of Human Resources and/or the Employee's Manager and/or Chief of Compliance & Engagement.

## 25-3 Veteran's Day Leave

Logan University will grant leave to a veteran employee to observe Veteran's Day. Leave will be granted with or without pay, at the discretion of the University.

# **General Handbook Acknowledgment**

This Employee handbook is an important document intended to help you become acquainted with Logan University. This document is intended to provide guidelines and general descriptions only; it is not the final word in all cases. Individual circumstances may call for individual attention.

Because the University's operations may change, the contents of this handbook may be changed at any time, with or without notice, in an individual case or generally, at the sole discretion of management.

Please read the following statements and sign below to indicate your receipt and acknowledgment of this Employee handbook.

I have received and read a copy of Logan University's Employee handbook. I understand that the policies, rules and benefits described in it are subject to change at the sole discretion of the University at any time.

I further understand that my employment is terminable at will, either by myself or the University, with or without cause or notice, regardless of the length of my employment or the granting of benefits of any kind.

I understand that no representative of Logan University other than the President and/or the Head of Human Resources and/or the Vice President and/or Cabinet may alter "at will" status and any such modification must be in a signed writing.

I understand that my signature below indicates that I have read and understand the above statements and that I have received a copy of the University's Employee handbook.

Employee's Printed Name:
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Employee's Signature:
Position:
Date:

The signed original copy of this acknowledgment should be given to management - it will be filed in your personnel file.

# **Receipt of Non-Harassment Policy**

It is Logan University's policy to prohibit intentional and unintentional harassment of any individual by another person on the basis of any protected classification including, but not limited to, race, color, national origin, disability, religion, marital status, veteran status, sexual orientation or age. The purpose of this policy is not to regulate our employees' personal morality, but to ensure that in the workplace, no one harasses another individual.

If an employee feels that he or she has been subjected to conduct which violates this policy. he or she should immediately report the matter to the Head of Human Resources. If the employee is unable for any reason to contact this person, or if the employee has not received a satisfactory response within five (5) business days after reporting any incident of what the employee perceives to be harassment, the employee should contact Chief of Compliance & Engagement. If the person toward whom the complaint is directed is one of the individuals indicated above, the employee should contact any higher-level manager in his or her reporting hierarchy. Every report of perceived harassment will be fully investigated and corrective action will be taken where appropriate. All complaints will be kept confidential to the extent possible, but confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. In addition, the University will not allow any form of retaliation against individuals who report unwelcome conduct to management or who cooperate in the investigations of such reports in accordance with this policy. If an employee feels he or she has been subjected to any such retaliation, he or she should report it in the same manner in which the employee would report a claim of perceived harassment under this policy. Violation of this policy including any improper retaliatory conduct will result in disciplinary action, up to and including discharge. All employees must cooperate with all investigations.

Employee's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Employee's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and I understand Logan University's Non-Harassment Policy.

The signed original copy of this receipt should be given to management - it will be filed in your personnel file.