Introducing Total Benefits

Total Benefits provides assistance and information on financial retirement plans, health insurance, death benefits, Medicare and Social Security.

Your retiree status, which is authorized by Total Benefits, entitles you to a retiree Husky ID card and continuing email forwarding, as described in this brochure.

Contact Total Benefits if you have questions about your status as a UW retiree.

Contact Total Benefits
(206) 543-4444, totalben@uw.edu

The Health Care Authority (HCA) is your contact regarding your retiree health insurance. The HCA will also notify you regarding the annual Benefits Fairs, which provide updates on retiree medical and dental coverage.

Contact HCA
(800) 200-1004

Introducing Retiree Relations/UWRA

Retiree Relations is your campus contact for information and referrals related to retirement. As part of Retiree Relations, the UW Retirement Association (UWRA) informs, connects and advocates for UW retirees and pre-retirees. The UWRA encourages continued engagement with the UW and fosters a purposeful retirement through educational and social programs.

Call on us! For all UW retirees, our office is a home on campus and a resource throughout retirement. We are happy to help all UW retirees and future retirees with UW-related retirement questions.

Contact UWRA
B80 Gerberding Hall
Box 351277
Seattle, WA 98195-1277
(206) 543-8600
Email: retiremt@uw.edu Web: uw.edu/uwra

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Welcome to retirement! This brochure will provide you with basic information about the privileges you have earned as a UW retiree, together with helpful resources and contact information.

We highlight two central resources for UW retirees on this front page: the University of Washington Retirement Association (UWRA) and Total Benefits.

Note. Privileges outlined in this brochure are available to employees in good standing at the time of retirement. Termination for cause may result in the withholding of any or all of these privileges, including the issuance of the retiree ID Husky card. Individuals with questions about their eligibility for retiree privileges should contact Total Benefits.
UW Retiree Privileges

Complimentary parking on the UW Seattle campus

Complimentary parking is available to fully retired uw retirees, their spouses or same-sex domestic partners (one permit per couple) at the uw Seattle campus. Show a UW retiree Husky Card at any gate.

This privilege is not transferable to others, including other relatives. Surviving spouses retain parking privileges, but need to obtain a Husky Card.

Re-employed Retirees
Retirees re-employed by the UW pay for parking on a prorated basis if re-employed at 40% or less, and at regular rates if re-employed over 40%, according to HEPPS classification. Please contact Transportation Services at (206) 221-3701 for more information.

Where to Park
Based on availability, retirees may park in most areas, EXCEPT:
- Disability/wheelchair spaces or lots, unless disability parking is requested
- Spaces or lots marked Reserved, ‘Restricted All Times On All Days’, or University Vehicles Only
- Triangle & Surgery Pavilion Garages
- Lots C14, C17
- Parking meters or permit issuance machine areas

South Campus: Parking in S1 (South Campus Garage) is based on space availability.

Disability Parking
If you have a non-UW disability permit, please present it along with your retiree Husky card at the gatehouse on arrival. Permanently and temporarily disabled retirees may request disability parking near their destinations.

Contact Transportation Services
(206) 221-3701; ucommute@uw.edu

Special Events and Football Game Days
Retirees receive complimentary parking on football game days and during other campus events. Please head directly to the Central Plaza Garage (15th Ave. NE & NE 41st St.) and present your retiree Husky Card at the gatehouse.

S1 is not available to retirees on football game days except by special disability permit issued in advance.

For disability parking at games and all other event parking needs, contact Events Parking at (206) 616-8710

U-PASS
Retirees are not U-PASS eligible unless they are registered as Access students (see Auditing Courses Using Access, p. 3).

UW email

UW retirees retain their UW NetIDs and have email forwarding privileges. Retirees with an ongoing need for campus email (such as Emeriti and campus volunteers) may be endorsed by the units they are affiliated with to continue their UW email accounts. Retiree-reehires have UW email as campus employees. All other retirees should set up their UW email address to forward to an outside, non-UW account.

UW email accounts, including the email of Emeriti and volunteers, can be subject to public records requests and are not for personal use.

Contact: UW-IT
(206)221-5000; help@uw.edu

Using campus libraries

Retirees and spouses/registered domestic partners may use the retiree Husky card to check out materials from University Libraries. Retirees may use their UW NetIDs for online access to University Libraries resources, including journals. If you have any questions about using University Libraries after retirement, please contact Library Account Services.

Contact: Library Account Services
(206) 543-1174; libaccts@uw.edu
First Floor, Suzzallo Library
Hours: M–F, 9–5
www.lib.washington.edu/about/hours/libaccts

Start here:

UW retiree Husky Card

The UW retiree Husky Card is the UW identification card needed for UW retiree privileges. It replaces the UW employee card.

Total Benefits authorizes retiree cards as part of the retirement process. Once retirement is complete, retirees may obtain new retiree photo ID cards at any Husky ID Center. Contact the Center to confirm that the record is updated before coming to campus. If it is not yet updated, contact Total Benefits.

Bring your UW-issued retiree ID number and photo ID, such as a driver’s license. One card is issued per retiree.

Surviving spouses and surviving registered domestic partners of retirees may continue retiree privileges. Contact Total Benefits to request authorization of a card in the survivor’s name. After confirming that the record has been changed and new ID number issued, the spouse or partner may get a new photo ID card at a Husky ID Center.

Replace lost or damaged retiree ID cards at a Husky ID Center. Cost: $25.

Contact: Husky ID Centers
UW Seattle: Ground floor, Odegaard Library
Phone: (206) 543-7222
Hours: M-F 8–5 (cards printed until 4:45)
Harborview: Photo ID/Parking Office, 8CT70
Phone: (206) 744-3254
Hours: M-F 7:00-4:30
UWMC: Public Safety Office, BB120
Phone: (206) 598-4909
Hours: M-F 7:30-4:30
UW Bothell: Husky Hall welcome desk
Phone: (425) 352-5000
Hours: M-F 8-4:30, cards printed 9-4:30
UW Tacoma: Registrar’s Office, MAT253
Phone: (253) 692-4913
Hours: M & W-F 8-5; T 9-5
Problems? Contact UWRA or Total Benefits
For all Washington residents: Auditing courses using Access

All Washington residents 60 years or older may register for up to two classes per quarter as auditing students on a space-available basis for a $5.00 registration fee plus a per-credit technology fee. Auditors do not participate in class discussions, class work or exams. Registration in graduate courses and special courses requires instructor permission. Courses such as labs and studios are not open to Access students.

Access students are eligible for student ID, library privileges and U-PASS purchase. See registration details on the web.

Contact Access, registrar.washington.edu/course-registration/access-program

Downloadable brochure: uw.edu/students/reg/access.pdf
All current and retired UW staff and faculty are eligible to join UWRA, the member-based, not-for-profit organization of UW retirees, pre-retirees (employees), their spouses and partners. UWRA advocates for all UW retirees, both within the university and in the larger community, and provides its 2,000+ members with additional information, programs and publications.

- Through UW Encore, UWRA promotes meaningful ways for retirees to engage their experience to contribute to the greater good
- Through member-funded scholarships and fellowships for students in aging-related fields, UWRA supports the next generation of scholars and the growth of knowledge about aging
- Through its affiliation with Era Living’s University Houses, UWRA engages with industry leaders in the development of state-of-the-art retirement residences
- Through fairs, workshops, lectures and day trips, UWRA educates UW retirees and connects them with each other and with the university

As a UW retiree or pre-retiree, you have found the campus environment stimulating and full of engaged, diverse and vital people. Your participation in UWRA’s programs for members helps you maintain and strengthen your connection to that UW community.

Organized in 1975, UWRA is one of the oldest and largest higher education retirement organizations in the nation. Learn more at uw.edu/uwra.

The annual membership fee for UWRA is $50 per household and supports UWRA’s work on behalf of all retirees. For membership application forms and more information, visit uw.edu/uwra/membership/, or call 206-543-8600.

Find out about current UWRA programs: uw.edu/uwra/events/