# BENEFITS AT A GLANCE
## SECURITY SERVICES EMPLOYEES (NYSCOPBA/NU 21)

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| **HEALTH INSURANCE & PRESCRIPTIONS** | Empire Plan: Empire BlueCross BlueShield: Hospitalization United HealthCare: Major Medical Carelon Behavioral Health, Inc.: Mental Health/Substance Abuse CVS/Caremark, Inc.: Prescriptions Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs): Hospitalization/medical care designated by Primary Care Physician | Must work at least half-time on a regularly scheduled basis and be expected to work for at least 3 months. | 28 day waiting period, hired on or after October 1, 2023. | Empire Plan biweekly rates as of 1/1/23:  
Grade 9 & Below:  
Individual: $ 56.01  
Family: $241.79  
Grade 10 & Above:  
Individual: $ 74.68  
Family: $287.98  
| **DENTAL INSURANCE** | EmblemHealth (GHI) Preferred Dental Plan | Must be eligible to receive health insurance. | 28 day waiting period, hired on or after October 1, 2023, both plans. | Paid for by New York State. |
| **VISION CARE** | Davis Vision provides financial assistance in meeting cost of eye exams, glasses, etc. | | | Paid for by New York State. |
| **RETIREMENT SYSTEM** | New York State Employees Retirement System (ERS): Defined benefit plan; benefits are based on best Final Average Salary and years of service. | Membership for full-time permanent employees is mandatory.  
Membership for employees who are temporary or part-time is optional, except that appointees with current membership must continue to participate | Permanent full-time Employees: membership is effective on the date of appointment.  
Temporary and Part-time Employees: membership is generally effective upon the receipt of application at ERS.  
Vested after 5 full-time equivalent years ERS service. | Employee contribution is based on salary rate, as follows:  
$45,000 and under: 3%  
$45,000.01 – $55,000: 3.5%  
$55,000.01 – $75,000: 4.5%  
$75,000.01 – $100,000: 5.75%  
† More than $100,000: 6% |
| **FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNTS** (PRE-TAX DEDUCTIONS) | A portion of salary is designated by employee to establish a fund to cover eligible costs paid with pre-tax dollars, such as:  
- child care, elder care (Dependent Care Advantage Account - DCAA)  
- un-reimbursed health care expenses (Health Care Spending Account - HCSA)  
- expenses related to the adoption of an eligible child (Adoption Advantage Account – AAA) | Must also be eligible for health insurance for health care. | Must enroll within 60 days of date of appointment, reimbursement effective on 61st consecutive calendar day. For health care, effective as of the latter of date Change in Status application is submitted or date of employment. | The employee determines the amount to be deducted; for 2023, the HCSA min/max employee contribution is $100/$3,050; the DCAA max employee/employer contribution is $5,000/$1,000; the AAA max employee contribution is $15,950  
Availability of DCAA employer contributions and AAA subject to contract negotiations. |

† Pensionable salary will be capped at the Governor’s annual salary ($250,000 as of 10/27/2021).
**TUITION REIMBURSEMENT**

Partial assistance for additional courses through the SUNY Tuition Waiver program (based on funding). Fees not covered by Tuition Assistance. Must be SUNY state-operated campus.

Other tuition support and/or grant opportunities available via NYS/NYSCOPBA Joint Labor Management Committee; information at [www.nyscopba.org/nysnyscopbalmtuition](http://www.nyscopba.org/nysnyscopbalmtuition).

Appointment must cover period of support.

Upon employment.

No cost to the employee for this benefit.

**SUNY VOLUNTARY 403(b) SAVINGS PLAN**

SUNY Voluntary 403(b) Saving Plan. Current Authorized Investment Providers include: Corebridge, Fidelity, TIAA and Voya.

NYS Deferred Compensation 457(b) tax-deferred retirement savings plan.

Both plans offer pre- and post-tax savings options. Employees may choose to participate in either or both plans subject to IRS limits on tax deferral.

Upon employment.

Choice of employee.

Employee pre- and post-tax contributions through salary reduction subject to IRS limit. The 2023 basic annual limit for both plans is $22,500. Employees age 50 and over may contribute up to $7,500 more per year.

The IRS currently establishes separate limits for 403(b) and 457(b) plans, allowing employees to contribute up to twice the limit allowed under either plan alone.

**DISABILITY & LIFE INSURANCE**

Not provided by the University, but may be purchased individually through your union.

**VACATION**

Employees entitled to earn and accumulate vacation credits presently earn and accumulate vacation at the rate of (a) 20 days annually or (b) one-half day per bi-weekly pay period plus additional vacation upon completion of each year of continuous services in accordance with the contractual schedule. Generally, vacation may be accumulated up to a maximum of 40 days; vacation balance may not exceed 40 days on 10/1 of each year.

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**SICK LEAVE**

Full-time employees earn at the rate of half a day per pay period (total of 13 days per year). Sick leave can accumulate up to 225 days, however no more than 200 days can be used for retirement service credits or as sick leave credit.

**PERSONAL LEAVE**

5 days each year on personal leave anniversary date. Personal leave cannot be carried over from year to year.

**HOLIDAYS**

Eligible for up to 13 holidays per year.

New York State has a two-week lag payroll system; each paycheck pays for the period two-four weeks prior to the check date. First check issued in approx. four weeks.

*Part-time employees who work at least half time earn on a pro-rated basis. Hourly employees do not qualify for accruals (holidays, vacation, sick leave, personal, etc.) until completion of 19 consecutive pay periods of 50% or greater service.

**PAYROLL INFORMATION**

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