## **ANNUITY**

The University offers a Voluntary Participating Retirement Plan with Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association to supplement retirement income from Social Security and personal investment/savings plans.

## I. Eligibility

All full-time faculty are eligible after one year of service and 26 years of age.

If you have participated in a TIAA/CREF Annuity Plan at another institution and have an active Plan, you may participate immediately upon the effective date of your employment.

## II. Contribution (CBA Article 7.9)

The University makes contributions based on the participant's annual earnings, exclusive of overtime/overload compensation. The University contributes:

- A. Upon joining:
  - 1. 5% of annual base salary up to \$16,500
  - 2. 10% of annual base salary over \$16,500
- B. After 5 consecutive years in Plan at Hofstra or upon tenure (faculty):
  - 1. 7 1/2% of annual base salary up to \$16,500
  - 2. 12 1/2% of annual base salary over \$16,500
- C. After 15 consecutive years in Plan at Hofstra:
  - 1. University contributes an additional 2 1/2% of total base salary
- D. After 20 consecutive years in Plan at Hofstra:
  - 1. University contributes an additional 2 1/2% of total base salary

The participant is required to contribute 2 1/2% of annual base salary up to Social Security maximum and 7 1/2% of the excess.

The University contribution is discontinued at normal retirement age of 65.

- **III.** Unless otherwise provided, during a participant's leave of absence, annuity payments shall be continued at regular rate, computed upon the leave-of-absence compensation granted the participant.
- **IV.** Hofstra University reserves the right to modify or to discontinue its contributions toward retirement annuity premiums after serving written notice six months in advance of such action.
- **V.** The University does not guarantee payments due to participants under their annuity contracts.