





Non-Academic Pension Plan

ANNUAL NEWSLETTER TO MEMBERSHIP
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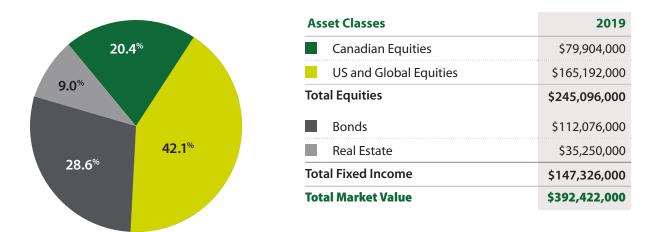


THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS:

- to review the actuarial valuation information and contribution requirements of the Non Academic Pension Plan as at December 31, 2019
- to review investments and investment performance of the Plan in 2019

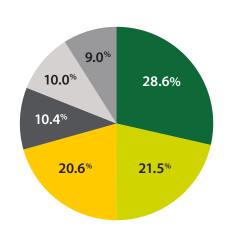
Pension Plan Information at December 31, 2019

MARKET VALUE OF PENSION PLAN ASSETS



Distribution of Assets Among Investment Managers

Inv	estment Manager	2019
	Phillips, Hager & North Investment Management	\$112,076,000
	Sprucegrove Investment Management	\$84,239,000
	Harding Loevner	\$80,953,000
	Connor, Clark & Lunn Financial	\$40,668,000
	Burgundy Asset Management	\$39,236,000
	TD Greystone Managed Investments	\$35,250,000



INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

The long-term investment goal of the Plan is to achieve a minimum annualized rate of return of 3.75% in excess of the Canadian Consumer Price Index. To achieve this goal, the Plan has adopted an asset mix that has a bias in favour of equity investments.

The responsibility for investing the assets of the Plan has been delegated to six professional investment fund managers with different mandates to ensure adequate investment diversification.

The Plan's Return Benchmark is a performance standard developed by the Investment Consultant, Aon. The Board of Governors have approved the benchmark. The investment fund managers of the Plan are expected to meet or surpass the benchmark.

Investment Performance	2019	2018	2017	2016	Last 4 years	Last 10 years
Plan Return*	15.1%	-1.9%	10.5%	9.6%	8.1%	8.4%
Plan return Benchmark	15.7%	-1.1%	8.7%	6.5%	7.3%	8.1%
Consumer Price Index	2.2%	2.0%	1.9%	1.5%	1.9%	1.7%

^{*}Gross of fees

Actuarial Valuation at December 31, 2019

MEMBERSHIP DATA

Active Members

Pensioners and Beneficiaries

Other Members (deferred, pending transfers, transfer deficiency holdbacks)

Total Membership

1,200

1,066

2,498



GOING-CONCERN FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE PLAN

The financial position of the Plan on a going-concern basis is measured by comparing the market value of assets to the actuarial liabilities assuming the Plan is continuing for the long-term.

The following table outlines the results of the actuarial valuation performed as at December 31, 2019, using a 5% margin. Comparative numbers as at December 31, 2018 are also provided.

Going-Concern Financial Position	2019	2018
Actuarial value of assets	\$395,337,500	\$360,109,400
Actuarial liability	\$398,875,400	383,249,400
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(3,537,900)	\$(23,140,000)
Funded Ratio	0.99	0.94

CONTRIBUTION AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

The plan last filed a valuation report with the regulators at December 31, 2019. Total special payments being paid by the university for the deficits are show in the following table:

Required Contributions Going-concern deficit (unfunded liability) payments	Monthly	Annual
December 31, 2012 valuation	\$23,600	\$283,200
December 31, 2016 valuation	\$40,200	\$482,400
Total Special Payments	\$63,800	\$765,600

HYPOTHETICAL WIND-UP (SOLVENCY) POSITION OF THE PLAN

The Pension Benefits Act (Saskatchewan) requires the University to review whether the assets of the Plan would be sufficient to cover the liabilities of the Plan in the event of a plan wind-up and is required for transfer deficiency hold back when plan members leave the university (see page 5). The following table outlines the wind-up position of the plan at December 31, 2019. Comparative numbers as at December 31, 2018 are also provided.

Hypothetical Wind-Up Financial Position	2019	2018
Actuarial value of assets	\$394,837,500	\$359,609,400
Actuarial liability	\$578,511,700	\$528,488,000
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(183,674,200)	\$(168,878,600)
Solvency ratio (assets/liabilities)	68%	68%

TRANSFER DEFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

As the Plan has a solvency ratio of 68% (determined in the last filed valuation at December 31, 2019), it is necessary to withhold 32% of any lump-sum payments. The amount withheld, referred to as the "transfer deficiency", will be paid out with interest at the end of the five-year period following the date of original pay-out (or earlier in the event of plan surplus). This provision does not impact members retiring and commencing a pension from the Plan.

TRANSFER DEFICIENCY PAYOUT EXAMPLE

Applies to individuals who terminate employment and elect to transfer the lump sum value of their entitlement out of the Plan.





Non-Academic Pension Plan Information

PLAN DOCUMENTS

Copies of the following documents are on file in the Pension and Benefits office. They are available for inspection by any member of the Plan during regular working hours by prior arrangements.

- Plan Text
- **Financial Statements**
- **Actuarial Reports**
- Auditor's Report

OTHER AGENTS OF THE PLAN

Actuary: Aon, Saskatoon Investment Consultant: Aon . Vancouver **Custodian: CIBC Mellon**

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