

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RESEARCH JOB FAMILY

HOURS OF WORK

Staff are required to work those hours which are reasonably necessary to properly and effectively fulfil the duties and objectives assigned by the Head of Department/Division or nominee, normally not less than 35 hours a week for full time members of staff. Staff in the Research Job Family are not eligible for overtime payments.

ANNUAL LEAVE ENTITLEMENT

The provisions below are the standard allocations for annual leave. All leave is taken by arrangement with the Line Manager in light of the department/divisional/faculty requirements.

Annual leave entitlement is 39 days for full time staff (pro rata for part time staff). This is inclusive of eight days for Public holidays and a total of six days each year when the university is closed over Easter and Christmas.

In some years, because of the day of the week on which Christmas Day falls, a decision may be made to increase the university closure to seven days. In these circumstances the annual leave entitlement will be increased to 40 days for full time staff (again pro rata for part time staff).

At the beginning of the leave year the university's absence management system, TeamSeer, will automatically allocate the appropriate number of days of Mandatory leave entitlement to staff annual leave calendars to cover the university closure days and Public holidays that fall within that leave year. For part-time staff the allocation should cover their normal working days that fall upon a university closure day, bank or public holiday during that leave year.

[The university closures and public holidays are listed on the HR website.](#)

The remaining Holiday Leave entitlement may be taken in accordance with local departmental requirements.

Most staff will not be required to attend work on university closure days or public holidays. Where staff are required to work on these days, then their leave may be taken at a later date under normal Holiday Leave provisions. Premium rates for working on a university closure or public holiday will not be affected by these arrangements and will remain for those grades that are eligible for enhanced payment.

Details of arrangements for booking annual leave are outlined in the core terms and conditions.

PENSION SCHEME

For Research staff, the occupational pension scheme is the Universities' Superannuation Scheme (USS). Staff who are already members of the National Health Service Pension Scheme (NHSPS) may, if they are still eligible, retain their membership in this scheme.

NOTICE PERIODS

Unless stated otherwise in the offer of employment or agreed by the Head of Department/Division:

Research Fellow,
Advanced Research Fellow,
Senior Research Fellow; and
Principal Research Fellow:

The appointment may be terminated by either side by giving a minimum of three months' notice in writing.

Research Assistant and Research Associate (Research):

The appointment may be terminated by either side by one month's notice in writing.

The above is subject to university compliance with statutory notice entitlement of one week's notice for each year of continuous service up to a maximum of twelve weeks' notice.

Staff on a fixed-term contract receive notice of the ending of their employment within that contract. No further contractual notice will be given unless the contract is to terminate prior to the end date specified in the offer of employment. In these circumstances the notice from the university would be as above.

DUTIES – RESEARCH STAFF

All research staff may be expected to undertake certain teaching duties without additional payment, subject to any limitations prescribed by the terms of the grant or contract under which they are employed.

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