Deciding to Retire

There is no one set of criteria for deciding when to retire. Some faculty find retirement inherently attractive, have alternative careers or lifestyle choices in mind, and wish to retire as soon as possible. Others continue to be stimulated by their University activities and defer retirement until diminished health or stamina requires it. Many are between these extremes.

Once you decide when you’ll retire, you should notify your department chair or school dean. The University asks that you do this at least 90 days before your anticipated retirement, but providing longer notice helps your school and department by allowing more time to plan.