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Plan Definition	The IPERS plan is a defined <b>benefit</b> plan.	TIAA is a defined <b>contribution</b> plans (403b).
	The retirement income is determined by a formula based on years of service and the salary earned.	The amount contributed to the plan is known at the beginning, the retirement income is not known. The income will be determined by investment performance.
Contr	ibution amounts are subject to change as determined by the	governing bodies (see Plan Design on second page)
Employee Contribution	July 1, 2020: 6.29% of budgeted salary  Each July 1: IPERS may adjust rate by no more than 1.0	Year 1-5: 3.33% of first\$4,800 of budgeted salary 5.00% of budgeted salary over \$4,800
	<ul><li>Note: Protected Occupations (Police): 6.41%</li></ul>	Year 6+: 5.00% of budgeted Salary
Employer Contribution	July 1, 2020: 9.44% of budgeted salary  Each July 1: IPERS may adjust rate by no more than one	Year 1-5: 6.66% of first \$4,800 of budgeted salary  Effective 7-1-2021:
	percentage point.  Note: Protected Occupations (Police): 9.61%	10.00% of budgeted salary over \$4,800  Year 6+: 10.00% of budgeted Salary
Contribution Example	\$3,000.00 monthly budgeted salary	\$3,000.00 monthly budgeted salary
	Regular employee Example: $Employee \ contribution$ $6.29\% \ of \$3,000 = \$188.70$ $ISU \ contribution$ $9.44\% \ of \$3,000 = $283.20$ $Monthly \ Total$ $\$471.90$ Protected Occupations (Police) Example: $Employee \ contribution$ $6.41\% \ of \$3,000 = $192.30$ $ISU \ contribution$ $9.61\% \ of \$3,000 = $288.30$ $Monthly \ Total$ $\$480.60$	Year 1-5 Employee contribution 3.33% of base pay until \$4,800.00 is reached. Rest of year after \$4,800; 5% of base pay.  First pay period: 3.33% x \$3,000 of first \$4,800 = \$99.90  Next pay period: 3.33% x \$1,800 (\$4,800 reached) = \$59.94 and 5% of \$1,200 = \$60.00 Employee total \$119.94  Next pay period 5% x \$3,000 Employee total \$150.00

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		Year 1-5 ISU contribution 6.66% of base pay until \$4,800.00 is reached. Rest of year after \$4,800, 10% of base pay.
		First pay period 6.66% x \$3,000 of first \$4,800 = \$199.80
		Next pay period 6.66% x \$1,800 (\$4,800 reached = \$119.88 and 10% of \$1,200 = \$120.00 ISU total \$239.88
		Next pay period 10% x \$3,000 = \$300.00
		$\frac{\text{Year 6} +}{\text{Employee contribution - 5.00\%}} = \$ 150.00$ $ISU \ contribution - 10.00\% = \$ 300.00$ $Monthly \ Total \qquad \$ 450.00$
Vesting	Employee Contributions	Employee Contributions
(Ownership in the retirement funds deposited in your account by ISU)	A member is always 100 percent vested in their own contributions. If changing jobs, you keep your IPERS if your new job is also an IPERs-covered position. If you work for a non-IPERS covered employer, you may leave your money in IPERS or take a refund. You can roll your IPERs refund to another qualified retirement plan.	A member is always 100 percent vested in their contributions.
	ISU Contributions  A member not vested by July 1, 2012 will be vested after 7 yrs of participation or upon reaching 65 while contributing to IPERS, whichever comes first, to be vested. Vesting is qualifying for ownership in the retirement funds contributed by the employer. See IPERS website and the member handbook for the formula for determining retirement income	<ul> <li>ISU Contributions</li> <li>A member will become vested after any of the following: <ul> <li>3 calendar years of service (not academic years)</li> <li>age 65</li> <li>designated as a disabled employee</li> <li>pass away while employed</li> <li>ISU discontinues plan</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Resign from	when vested.  If a member continues working in an IPERS-covered	The member may roll funds over to another qualified plan or
ISU Employment	position (Iowa public employment), participation in IPERS may continue.  If leaving public employment, the member may:	leave money in TIAA for later distribution subject to investment choices earnings or losses.

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<ul> <li>roll the available funds of the account over to another qualified plan.</li> <li>take a refund subject to taxes/penalties</li> <li>leave funds on deposit with IPERS</li> <li>If not vested, funds will be in a noninterest bearing account.</li> <li>If vested, your eventual retirement income benefit is guaranteed for life, no matter how long you live and no</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Only member funds and the vested ISU Contribution account balances will be portable.</li> <li>Members may receive a lump sum payment once employment ends.</li> <li>Members interested in beginning retirement income benefits should meet with TIAA consultants to discuss income options.</li> </ul>
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matter how the investments perform.  Contact IPERS directly to discuss options for retirement benefit calculation.	Contact TIAA directly to discuss options for distribution.
<ul> <li>Age 65</li> <li>Age 62 if 20 or more years of IPERS covered employment (62/20)</li> <li>When years of IPERS covered employment plus age equals or exceeds 88 (Rule of 88)</li> <li>Early retirement, same as above, plus a possible reduction:  The amount lifetime monthly benefits are reduced for early retirement increases to 6 percent times the number of years the member receives benefits before age 65. The 6 percent reduction for early retirement will affect only people who retire before reaching normal retirement age.</li> <li>Age 70 or older, members may receive IPERS income and continue active IPERS employment.</li> </ul>	Normal Retirement Age
The rules governing the operation of IPERS are controlled by the Iowa legislature.  Changes are communicated by IPERS directly to members.	Established by Iowa State University (ISU) and approved by the State Board of Regents.  The design is subject to change. Any change is communicated to members by ISU.
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NOTE: The initial election (or default) of IPERS or TIAA may only be changed following a qualifying break in service from Iowa State University.

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