# Northeastern University Human Resources Management

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NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY maintains the Northeastern University Retirement Plan (Basic & Supplemental Account) (the "Plan"). This brochure contains important information that will help you become better informed about the Plan.

Your Plan administrator has directed Fidelity Investments® ("Fidelity"), one of the Plan's providers, to develop this consolidated brochure based upon information provided by each of the following investment providers:

- Fidelity Investments®
- TIAA

To obtain more up-to-date investment performance or Plan information, please go to the website or call the telephone number shown in any of the providers' sections, or go to http://requireddisclosureinfo.com/

(Password: 89948)

Whether you have an account already or are eligible to participate in the Plan, the information in this brochure can help you make informed investment decisions regarding your participation in the Plan and your Plan account.

Additional information is available as indicated in each investment provider's document.

Sincerely,

NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

Please note that the investment providers above have supplied the information for their individual notices. Fidelity Investments is not responsible for other providers' content.





# Northeastern University Retirement Plan (Basic & Supplemental Account)

**Qualified Default Investment Alternative Notice** 

**Participant Disclosure Notice** 

IMPORTANT PLAN AND INVESTMENT-RELATED INFORMATION FOR PLAN ACCOUNTS ESTABLISHED WITH FIDELITY

The Plan Administrator has directed Fidelity Investments® ("Fidelity"), a Plan service provider, to collect, consolidate, and provide you with this Required Disclosure Information, which consists of separate and distinct regulatory notices listed below.

Inside, you will find the following:

- Qualified Default Investment Alternative Notice
- Participant Disclosure Notice

Please review these materials carefully. Please keep this information in mind when managing or monitoring any account you may have in the Plan. For more information about participating in the Plan, or if you already have an account with Fidelity in the Northeastern University Retirement Plan (Basic & Supplemental Account) and would like to make any changes, log on to <a href="https://www.netbenefits.com/northeastern">www.netbenefits.com/northeastern</a>.

**Note:** If this is your first time logging on to **www.netbenefits.com/northeastern**, you will need to register and set up a username and password to access your account. If you already have a username and password for a Fidelity site (including NetBenefits® from a previous employer), you do not need to register again.

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# Qualified Default Investment Alternative Notice

# Qualified Default Investment Alternative Notice

This notice is to inform you that any contributions for which you have the right to provide investment direction, but have not done so, will be invested in the Plan's designated default investment option, unless and until you direct otherwise. Provided below is a description of the Plan's designated default investment option(s), as well as applicable fee information.

If you are satisfied with your current investment election(s), no action is required on your part. You always retain the right under the Plan to direct the investment of your existing balances, which includes contributions and any earnings on those contributions, and your future contributions to any of the Plan's available investment options. In the event that you have not made an investment election and the Plan Sponsor has not provided direction for a given contribution, it will be invested in the Plan's default investment option as described below. If your contributions are invested in the default investment option, you have the right to transfer out of this option to another investment option available in the Plan.

To obtain information about your Plan, including your contribution percentage, your current investment options and information (including objective, strategy, risk, performance and expense information) on other Plan investment options available to you, please log on to NetBenefits® at <a href="www.netbenefits.com/northeastern">www.netbenefits.com/northeastern</a> or call 800-558-9179 to speak to a representative. If you are a rehire, you should contact Fidelity® to confirm if you already have investment direction on file.

# Plan's Current Designated Default Investment Option

The Target Date Fund used as the Plan's designated default investment option is based on the assumption that the participant will retire at age 65. Please use the chart below, decided by your Plan Sponsor, to determine in which Target Date Fund your future contributions will be directed, based on your date of birth on the Fidelity recordkeeping system.

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		Gross
Your Birth Date	Fund Name	Expense Ratio
Before 12/31/1937	Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K	0.420%
1/1/1938 – 12/31/1942	Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K	0.440%
1/1/1943 – 12/31/1947	Fidelity Freedom® 2010 Fund - Class K	0.470%
1/1/1948 – 12/31/1952	Fidelity Freedom® 2015 Fund - Class K	0.500%
1/1/1953 – 12/31/1957	Fidelity Freedom® 2020 Fund - Class K	0.540%
1/1/1958 – 12/31/1962	Fidelity Freedom® 2025 Fund - Class K	0.570%
1/1/1963 – 12/31/1967	Fidelity Freedom® 2030 Fund - Class K	0.610%
1/1/1968 – 12/31/1972	Fidelity Freedom® 2035 Fund - Class K	0.640%
1/1/1973 – 12/31/1977	Fidelity Freedom® 2040 Fund - Class K	0.640%
1/1/1978 – 12/31/1982	Fidelity Freedom® 2045 Fund - Class K	0.640%
1/1/1983 – 12/31/1987	Fidelity Freedom® 2050 Fund - Class K	0.640%
1/1/1988 – 12/31/1992	Fidelity Freedom® 2055 Fund - Class K	0.640%

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Your Birth Date

1/1/1993 or after

**Fund Name** 

Fidelity Freedom® 2060 Fund - Class K

Gross
Expense Ratio
0.640%

Reflects data recordkept as of October 09, 2017

### Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

**Objective:** Seeks high total current income and, as a secondary objective, capital appreciation.

**Strategy:** Investing in a combination of Fidelity domestic equity funds, international equity funds (developed and emerging markets), bond funds, and short-term funds (underlying Fidelity funds). Allocating assets among underlying Fidelity funds according to a stable "neutral" asset allocation strategy of approximately 17% in domestic equity funds, 7% in international equity funds, 46% in bond funds, and 30% in short-term funds. Through an active asset allocation strategy, the Adviser may increase or decrease neutral asset class exposures by up to 10 percentage points for equity (includes domestic and international equity funds), bond and short-term funds to reflect the Adviser's market outlook, which is primarily focused on the intermediate term. The Adviser may also make active asset allocations within other asset classes (including commodities, high yield debt, floating rate debt, real estate debt, inflation-protected debt, and emerging markets debt) from 0% to 10% individually but no more than 25% in aggregate within those other asset classes.

**Risk:** The fund is subject to risks resulting from the asset allocation decisions of the Investment Adviser. Pursuant to the Adviser's ability to use an active asset allocation strategy, investors may be subject to a different risk profile compared to the fund's neutral asset allocation strategy shown in its glide path. The fund is subject to the volatility of the financial markets, including that of equity and fixed income investments. Fixed income investments entail issuer default and credit risk, inflation risk, and interest rate risk (as interest rates rise, bond prices usually fall and vice versa). This effect is usually more pronounced for longer-term securities. No target date fund is considered a complete retirement program and there is no guarantee any single fund will provide sufficient retirement income at or through retirement. Principal invested is not guaranteed at any time, including at or after the funds' target dates.

Short term trading fees: None

### Footnotes:

This description is only intended to provide a brief overview of the mutual fund. Read the fund's prospectus for more detailed information about the fund.

On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Stock markets, especially foreign markets, are volatile and can decline significantly in response to adverse issuer, political, regulatory, market or economic developments.

Fidelity Freedom Funds are designed for investors expecting to retire around the year indicated in each fund's name. Except for the Freedom Income Fund, the funds' asset allocation strategy becomes increasingly conservative as it approaches the target date and beyond. Ultimately, they are expected to merge with the Freedom Income Fund. The investment risks of each Fidelity Freedom Fund change over time as its asset allocation changes. They are subject to the volatility of the financial markets, including equity and fixed income investments in the U.S. and abroad and may be subject to risks associated with investing in high yield, small cap and, commodity-related, foreign securities. Principal invested is not guaranteed at any time, including at or after their target dates.

### Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

**Objective:** Seeks high total return until its target retirement date. Thereafter, the fund's objective will be to seek high current income and, as a secondary objective, capital appreciation.

Strategy: Designed for investors who anticipate retiring in or within a few years of the fund's target retirement year at or around age 65 and plan to gradually withdraw the value of their account in the fund over time. Investing in a combination of Fidelity domestic equity funds, international equity funds (developed and emerging markets), bond funds, and short-term funds (underlying Fidelity funds). Allocating assets among underlying Fidelity funds according to a "neutral" asset allocation strategy that becomes increasingly conservative until it reaches an allocation similar to that of the Freedom Income Fund approximately 17% in domestic equity funds, 7% in international equity funds, 46% in bond funds, and 30% in short-term funds (approximately 10 to 19 years after the target year). Ultimately, the fund will merge with the Freedom Income Fund. Through an active asset allocation strategy, the Adviser may increase or decrease neutral asset class exposures by up to 10 percentage points for equity (includes domestic and international equity funds), bond and short-term funds to reflect the Adviser's market outlook, which is primarily focused on the intermediate term. The Adviser may also make active asset allocations within other asset classes (including commodities, high yield debt, floating rate debt, real estate debt, inflation-protected debt, and emerging markets debt) from 0% to 10% individually but no more than 25% in aggregate within those other asset classes. The Adviser may continue to seek high total return for several years beyond the fund's target retirement date in an effort to achieve the fund's overall investment objective.

**Risk:** The investment risk of each Fidelity Freedom Fund changes over time as its asset allocation changes. These risks are subject to the asset allocation decisions of the Investment Adviser. Pursuant to the Adviser's ability to use an active asset allocation strategy, investors may be subject to a different risk profile compared to the fund's neutral asset allocation strategy shown in its glide path. The funds are subject to the volatility of the financial markets, including that of equity and fixed income investments in the U.S. and abroad, and may be subject to risks associated with investing in high-yield, small-cap, commodity-linked, and foreign securities. No target date fund is considered a complete retirement program and there is no guarantee any single fund will provide sufficient retirement income at or through retirement. Principal invested is not guaranteed at any time, including at or after the funds' target dates.

Short term trading fees: None

#### Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

### Fidelity Freedom® 2010 Fund - Class K

**Objective:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

**Strategy:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

### Fidelity Freedom® 2015 Fund - Class K

Objective: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Strategy: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

### Fidelity Freedom® 2020 Fund - Class K

Objective: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

**Strategy:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

# Fidelity Freedom® 2025 Fund - Class K

**Objective:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Strategy: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

#### Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

### Fidelity Freedom® 2030 Fund - Class K

Objective: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

**Strategy:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

**Risk:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

#### Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

### Fidelity Freedom® 2035 Fund - Class K

**Objective:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Strategy: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

#### Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

### Fidelity Freedom® 2040 Fund - Class K

Objective: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Strategy: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

### Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom  $^{\scriptsize \scriptsize B}$  Income Fund - Class K

### Fidelity Freedom® 2045 Fund - Class K

**Objective:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Strategy: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

**Short term trading fees:** None

#### Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

### Fidelity Freedom® 2050 Fund - Class K

**Objective:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

**Strategy:** Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

### Fidelity Freedom® 2055 Fund - Class K

Objective: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Strategy: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

# Fidelity Freedom® 2060 Fund - Class K

**Objective:** Seeks high total return until its target retirement date. Thereafter the fund's objective will be to seek high current income and, as a secondary objective, capital appreciation.

Strategy: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Risk: Same description as Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K

Short term trading fees: None

Footnotes:

Same description as Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K

Before investing in any investment option, consider the investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses. Contact Fidelity for a prospectus or, if available, a summary prospectus containing this information. Read it carefully.

In the event of a discrepancy between this notice and the terms of the Plan, the Plan document will govern.

A mutual fund expense ratio is the total annual fund or class operating expenses (before waivers or reimbursements) paid by the fund and stated as a percent of the fund's total net assets. For other types of investments, the figure in the expense ratio field reflects similar information, but may have been calculated differently than for mutual funds. Mutual fund data comes from the fund's prospectus. For non-mutual fund investment options, the information has been provided by the Plan Sponsor, the investment option's manager or the trustee. When no ratio is shown for these options, it is because none was available. There may be fees and expenses associated with the investment option. Expense information changes periodically. Please consult NetBenefits for updates.

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# Participant Disclosure Notice

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### SECTION 1:

# Helping You Manage Your Plan Account

This Participant Disclosure Notice (the "Notice") includes important Plan and investment-related information. Additional tools and other resources are available through your Plan's Web site. Your workplace savings plan is an important benefit, and you'll want to monitor your account periodically to help keep your savings plan on track.

# Accessing Your Plan Account Statement

If you have a Plan account, one way to monitor your retirement savings is to periodically review your account statement. Your statement will also display any Plan administrative or individual fees described in this Notice that have been deducted from your Plan account. Remember, on **www.netbenefits.com/northeastern**, you may do the following:

- Access your online Fidelity statement, which is continuously available, by logging on to the Web site, clicking Quick Links for your applicable Plan(s) selecting Statements from the drop down list.
- Please check your account information frequently and promptly review
  correspondence, account statements, and confirmations as they are made available to
  you. Contact Fidelity immediately if you see or suspect unauthorized activity, errors,
  discrepancies, or if you have not received your account statements or account
  documents or information.
- Print your Fidelity statement. Keep in mind that you may obtain a paper version (free of charge) by calling your Plan's toll-free number.
- Change the way Fidelity statements are delivered to you by logging on to your account and visiting *Mail Preferences*.

For additional assistance, log on to www.netbenefits.com/northeastern or call 800-558-9179.

Visit http://requireddisclosureinfo.com (Password: 89948) for information and resources to help you make informed investment decisions, including more detailed information on the Plan's investment options.

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#### SECTION 2:

# Certain Plan Information for You to Review

This Participant Disclosure Notice provides certain information about your Plan. Your rights under the Plan are subject to the terms of the Plan. This Notice describes only your Fidelity account within the Plan.

# Right to Direct Investments

You have the right to direct your account balance and any future contributions among the Plan's investment options, subject to any restrictions. To access your Plan account with Fidelity, make any changes to your investment options, direct any future contributions, or seek additional information, log on to **www.netbenefits.com/northeastern** or call **800-558-9179**.

### Investment Options

The Plan offers a choice of investment options that allow you to create a diversified portfolio to help you meet your individual needs. The Plan's investment options, along with certain information about each of them, are listed in Section 3 of this Notice.

# Fidelity BrokerageLink®

The Plan also provides access to Fidelity BrokerageLink®, which allows you to choose from investments beyond those options offered by the Plan. The Plan's fiduciaries do not monitor the investments available in BrokerageLink. This feature is intended for those who are comfortable managing a portfolio of expanded investment choices.

To utilize this feature, you must first open a separate brokerage account within the Plan. To open an account or if you have any questions about Fidelity BrokerageLink, please log on to **www.netbenefits.com/northeastern** or call **800-558-9179**. Once you have opened an account, you may access, monitor, or change investments in BrokerageLink by contacting Fidelity.

Any Plan-imposed restrictions related to BrokerageLink will be specified in the Restrictions section of this Notice; any individual administration fees associated with BrokerageLink are reflected in the Individual Fees section of this Notice. When you access BrokerageLink, there is additional information regarding available investment choices, which you should read before making any investment decisions. If purchasing a mutual fund through BrokerageLink, mutual fund minimums generally still apply. Prior to initiating a trade in BrokerageLink, you should review any fees associated with your transaction; please refer to the Appendix at the end of this Notice for brokerage fees.

### Restrictions

Any frequent trading restrictions imposed by the Plan and/or by the Plan's investment options are listed in Section 3 of this Notice. Keep in mind that restrictions are subject to change.

# Exercising Voting, Tender, and Similar Rights

You have the right to exercise voting, tender, and similar rights related to the following investments you may have in your Plan account. You will receive information regarding such rights and how to exercise them at the time of a vote, tender, or other event.

Mutual Funds

# Fees and Expenses

If you have an account in the Plan, it may be subject to the following types of fees and expenses:

- Asset-based fees
- Plan administrative fees and expenses
- Individual fees and expenses

#### **Asset-Based Fees**

Asset-based fees reflect an investment option's total annual operating expenses and include management and other fees. They are often the largest component of retirement plan costs and are paid by all shareholders of the investment option. Typically, asset-based fees are reflected as a percentage of assets invested in the option and often are referred to as an "expense ratio." You may multiply the expense ratio by your balance in the investment option to estimate the annual expenses associated with your holdings. Refer to Section 3 of this Notice for information about the Plan's investment options, including their expense ratios (where applicable).

Asset-based fees are deducted from an investment option's assets, thereby reducing its investment return. Fee levels can vary widely among investment options, depending in part on the type of investment option, its management (including whether it is active or passive), and the risks and complexities of the option's strategy. In some instances, a plan's administrative services may be paid for through offsets and/or payments associated with a plan's investment options.

### Plan Administrative Fees and Expenses

Plan administrative fees may include recordkeeping, legal, accounting, trustee, and other administrative fees and expenses associated with maintaining the Plan. Some plans may deduct these fees and expenses from individual accounts in the Plan.

Based on the information and direction Fidelity had on file at the time this Notice was prepared, no Plan administrative fees will be deducted from accounts in the Plan. However, the Plan's administrative services may be paid for through offsets and/or payments associated with one or more of the Plan's investment options. Please keep in mind that fees are subject to change.

If any Plan administrative fees are deducted directly from your account, they will be reflected on your Plan account statement.

### **Individual Fees and Expenses**

Individual fees and expenses include those associated with a service or transaction you may select, or an investment option you hold in your account. In some instances, they may be deducted from the accounts of those individuals who utilize the service or engage in the transaction

If you have an account in the Plan, and you select or execute the following service(s) or transaction(s), the fee(s) outlined below may be deducted from your account based on the information and direction Fidelity had on file at the time this Notice was prepared. As you

review this information, please keep in mind that fees are subject to change and that certain individual fees may not be deducted in some circumstances.

Type of Individual Fee	Amount
Loan Setup Fee	\$75.00 per loan
Loan Maintenance Fee	\$25.00 per year per loan deducted quarterly
Overnight Mailing Fee	\$25.00 per transaction

Also, please note that you may incur short-term redemption fees, commissions, and similar expenses in connection with transactions associated with your Plan's investment options. Please see Section 3 for details regarding the specific fees that may apply to the investment options available under the Plan.

# If any individual fees are deducted directly from your account, they will be reflected on your Plan account statement.

Please note that this participant disclosure notice covers both the Northeastern University Basic Retirement Plan and the Northeastern University Supplemental Retirement Plan. If any individual fees (including loan setup and maintenance fees) are deducted directly from your account, they will be reflected on your Plan account statement. Loans are only available from the Northeastern University Supplemental Retirement Plan.

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### **SECTION 3:**

# Evaluating the Plan's Investment Options

This section provides information about the investment options in the Plan and reflects data recordkept as of October 09, 2017, except for performance data, which is as of December 31 of the prior year. Additional information about the Plan's investment options, including a glossary of investment terms to help you better understand the Plan's investment options, is available online at

http://requireddisclosureinfo.com (Password: 89948). To request additional investment-related information or a paper copy of certain information available online, free of charge, contact a Fidelity representative at Fidelity Investments, P.O. Box # 770003, Cincinnati, OH 45277-0065 or call 800-558-9179.

As you review this information, you may want to think about whether an investment in a particular option, along with your other investments, will help you achieve your financial goals. Keep in mind that the cumulative effect of fees and expenses can substantially reduce the growth of your retirement savings, but is only one of many factors to consider when you decide to invest in an option. Visit the Department of Labor's Web site at <a href="http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/publications/401k\_employee.html">http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/publications/401k\_employee.html</a> for an example of the long-term effect of fees and expenses.

### Variable Return Investments

The chart below lists the Plan's investment options that do not have a fixed or stated rate of return, and underneath each investment option is an applicable benchmark(s) for that option. A benchmark is a standard against which the performance of a security, mutual fund, or investment manager can be measured. This Notice requires that a broad-based market index be listed on the chart for each investment option. Additional benchmarks for an investment option may be available online at

http://requireddisclosureinfo.com (Password: 89948) along with benchmark index definitions. Please note that the benchmark to measure and monitor performance may be different from the benchmark displayed in the chart. Keep in mind that you cannot invest in a benchmark index.

Investment Name Benchmark(s)	Average Annual Total Return as of 12/31/2016				
	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year (if less, since Inception*)	Inception Date	
ONE STEP INVESTING					
Asset Class: Blended Investments					
Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K	5.91%	5.33%	3.69%	11/06/2003	
BBgBarc U.S. Agg Bond	2.65%	2.23%	4.34%		
FID FF 2005 Comp ldx	4.92%	5.40%	3.91%		
Fidelity Freedom® 2010 Fund - Class K	6.42%	6.42%	4.29%	10/17/1996	
BBgBarc U.S. Agg Bond	2.65%	2.23%	4.34%		
FID FF 2010 Comp Idx	5.73%	6.74%	4.68%		

<u>Understanding investment performance:</u> As you review the following information, please remember that the performance data stated represents past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate; therefore, you may have a gain or loss when you sell your shares. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance stated and is available at

http://requireddisclosureinfo.com (Password: 89948).

Fees and Expenses				
	Annual Gross Shareholder Fees^ Expense Ratio		Excessive Trading	Other Restrictions
As a %	Per \$1,000		Restrictions	
0.440%	\$4.40		Yes <sup>§</sup>	N/A
0.470%	\$4.70		Yes§	N/A

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Investment Name Benchmark(s)		_	ge Annual Total Return s of 12/31/2016	
	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year (if less, since Inception*)	Inception Date
Asset Class: Blended Investments (	cont'd)			
Fidelity Freedom® 2015 Fund - Class K	7.04%	6.80%	4.32%	11/06/2003
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%	
FID FF 2015 Comp ldx	6.54%	7.18%	4.75%	
Fidelity Freedom® 2020 Fund - Class K	7.26%	7.36%	4.20%	10/17/1996
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%	
FID FF 2020 Comp ldx	7.06%	7.79%	4.70%	
Fidelity Freedom® 2025 Fund - Class K	7.47%	8.36%	4.49%	11/06/2003
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%	
FID FF 2025 Comp ldx	7.58%	9.01%	5.22%	
Fidelity Freedom® 2030 Fund - Class K	8.13%	8.86%	4.27%	10/17/1996
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%	
FID FF 2030 Comp Idx	8.73%	9.59%	5.03%	
Fidelity Freedom® 2035 Fund - Class K	8.63%	9.63%	4.44%	11/06/2003
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%	
FID FF 2035 Comp ldx	9.53%	10.57%	5.41%	
Fidelity Freedom® 2040 Fund - Class K	8.60%	9.70%	4.34%	09/06/2000
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%	
FID FF 2040 Comp ldx	9.54%	10.69%	5.34%	
Fidelity Freedom® 2045 Fund - Class K	8.57%	9.86%	4.37%	06/01/2006
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%	
FID FF 2045 Comp ldx	9.54%	10.85%	5.38%	

	Fees and Expenses				
	al Gross se Ratio	Shareholder Fees^	Excessive Trading	Other Restrictions	
As a %	Per \$1,000		Restrictions		
0.500%	\$5.00		Yes§	N/A	
0.540%	\$5.40		Yes§	N/A	
0.570%	\$5.70		Yes§	N/A	
0.610%	\$6.10		Yes§	N/A	
0.640%	\$6.40		Yes§	N/A	
0.640%	\$6.40		Yes <sup>§</sup>	N/A	
0.640%	\$6.40		Yes§	N/A	

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Investment Name Benchmark(s)	Average Annual Total Return as of 12/31/2016				
	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year (if less, since Inception*)	Inception Date	
Asset Class: Blended Investments (d	ont'd)				
Fidelity Freedom® 2050 Fund - Class K	8.63%	9.96%	4.18%	06/01/2006	
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%		
FID FF 2050 Comp ldx	9.54%	10.96%	5.25%		
Fidelity Freedom® 2055 Fund - Class K	8.56%	10.15%	6.97%*	06/01/2011	
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	12.38%*		
FID FF 2055 Comp ldx	9.54%	11.24%	8.65%*		
Fidelity Freedom <sup>®</sup> 2060 Fund - Class K	8.61%	N/A	4.66%*	08/05/2014	
S&P 500	11.96%	N/A	8.90%*		
FID FF 2060 Comp ldx	9.54%	N/A	4.70%*		
Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K	5.16%	3.89%	3.58%	10/17/1996	
BBgBarc U.S. Agg Bond	2.65%	2.23%	4.34%		
FID FF Income Comp Idx	3.85%	3.69%	3.51%		
Asset Class: Bonds Fidelity® U.S. Bond Index Fund - Institutional Class	2.50%	2.18%	4.04%	03/08/1990	
BBgBarc U.S. Agg Bond	2.65%	2.23%	4.34%		
ACTIVE INVESTING					
Asset Class: Stocks		1			
DFA Emerging Markets Core Equity Portfolio Institutional Class	12.35%	2.14%	3.11%	04/05/2005	
MSCI Emerging Markets (N)	11.19%	1.28%	1.84%		
Eagle Small Cap Growth Fund Class R6	10.45%	12.41%	8.10%	05/07/1993	
Russell 2000 Growth	11.32%	13.74%	7.76%		

	Fees and				
	l Gross se Ratio	Shareholder Fees^	Excessive Trading	Other Restrictions	
As a %	Per \$1,000		Restrictions		
0.640%	\$6.40		Yes§	N/A	
0.640%	\$6.40		Yes§	N/A	
0.640%	\$6.40		Yes <sup>§</sup>	N/A	
0.420%	\$4.20		Yes§	N/A	
0.035%	\$0.35		Yes§	N/A	
0.530%	\$5.30		Yes§	N/A	
0.680%	\$6.80		Yes§	N/A	

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Investment Name Benchmark(s)	Average Annual Total Return as of 12/31/2016				
	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year (if less, since Inception*)	Inception Date	
Asset Class: Stocks (cont'd)					
Fidelity® 500 Index Fund - Institutional Class	11.93%	14.63%	6.92%	02/17/1988	
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%		
Fidelity® Contrafund® - Class K	3.48%	13.58%	8.00%	05/17/1967	
S&P 500	11.96%	14.66%	6.95%		
Fidelity® Growth Company Fund - Class K	6.12%	16.50%	10.12%	01/17/1983	
Russell 3000 Growth	7.39%	14.44%	8.28%		
Fidelity® International Discovery Fund - Class K	-5.62%	7.44%	1.58%	12/31/1986	
MSCI EAFE (Net MA)	1.21%	6.69%	0.90%		
Fidelity® International Index Fund - Premium Class	1.30%	6.59%	0.83%	11/05/1997	
MSCI EAFE (Net MA)	1.21%	6.69%	0.90%		
Fidelity® Low-Priced Stock Fund - Class K	8.88%	13.26%	7.54%	12/27/1989	
Russell 2000	21.31%	14.46%	7.07%		
Fidelity® Small Cap Value Fund	21.28%	15.94%	9.29%	11/03/2004	
Russell 2000 Value	31.74%	15.07%	6.26%		
Fidelity® Total Market Index Fund - Institutional Class	12.68%	14.59%	7.17%	11/05/1997	
DJ US Total Stk Mkt	12.62%	14.59%	7.18%		
MFS® Value Fund Class R6	14.25%	14.82%	6.91%	01/02/1996	
Russell 1000 Value	17.34%	14.80%	5.72%		
Asset Class: Bonds					
Fidelity® Total Bond Fund	5.85%	3.26%	4.90%	10/15/2002	
BBgBarc U.S. Agg Bond	2.65%	2.23%	4.34%		

	Fees and Expenses				
	al Gross se Ratio	Shareholder Fees^	Excessive Trading	Other Restrictions	
As a %	Per \$1,000		Restrictions		
0.030%	\$0.30		Yes <sup>§</sup>	N/A	
0.580%	\$5.80		Yes§	N/A	
0.660%	\$6.60		Yes§	N/A	
0.860%	\$8.60		Yes§	N/A	
0.060%	\$0.60		Yes§	N/A	
0.580%	\$5.80		Yes§	N/A	
0.990%	\$9.90	Short term trading fees of 1.5% for shares held less than 90 days	Yes§	N/A	
0.030%	\$0.30		Yes§	N/A	
0.510%	\$5.10		Yes <sup>§</sup>	N/A	
0.450%	\$4.50		Yes§	N/A	

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<b>Investment Name</b> Benchmark(s)	Average Annual Total Return as of 12/31/2016				
	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year (if less, since Inception*)	Inception Date	
Asset Class: Bonds (cont'd)					
Templeton Global Bond Fund Class R6	6.78%	4.40%	6.69%	09/18/1986	
CG WGBI	1.60%	-0.99%	2.99%		
Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund Admiral Shares	4.62%	0.82%	4.22%	06/29/2000	
BBgBarc US TIPS	4.68%	0.89%	4.36%		
Asset Class: Short-Term					
Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund Investor Shares ${\bf f}$	0.30%	0.08%	0.83%	07/13/1981	
7-Day Yield % as of 12/30/2016: 0.45	0.27%	0.09%	0.73%		
CG 3-Month Treasury Bill					

N/A = Not Applicable/None

-- = Not Available

### **Investment Restrictions**

§ Excessive trading in this investment option and/or other investment options subject to such restrictions will result in the limitation or prohibition of additional purchases (other than contributions and loan repayments) for 85 calendar days; additional excessive trading will result in a limitation of one exchange day per calendar quarter for a 12-month period.

#### Additional Investment Information

\* Performance provided is Life of Fund, which is since the inception date noted, when the investment option has been in existence for less than 10 years. Life of fund figures are from the inception date to the period shown. For unitized funds, the inception date shown may be that of the fund's underlying investment option. For non-mutual fund pools and trusts whose strategies may be offered to multiple clients and whose returns may be based on a composite, the inception date shown may be the beginning date of the composite's returns.

Total returns are historical and include change in share price and reinvestment of dividends and capital gains, if any. These figures do not include the effect of sales charges, if any, as these fees are waived for contributions made through your retirement plan. If sales charges were included, returns would have been lower.

	Fees and				
	l Gross se Ratio	Shareholder Fees^	Excessive Trading	Other Restrictions	
As a %	Per \$1,000		Restrictions		
0.580%	\$5.80		Yes§	N/A	
0.100%	\$1.00		Yes <sup>§</sup>	N/A	
0.110%	\$1.10		N/A	N/A	

The current yield reflects the current earnings of the fund, while the total return refers to a specific past holding period. The 7-Day Yield is based on a calculation prescribed by the SEC. It is the average income return over the previous seven days, assuming the rate stays the same for one year and that dividends are reinvested. It is the fund's total income net of expenses, divided by the total number of outstanding shares. This yield does not allow for the inclusion of capital gains or losses.

Please see the Additional Disclosure Information section at the back of this Notice for additional information, including performance and index disclosures.

### **Expense Ratio**

Expense ratio is a measure of what it costs to operate an investment, expressed as a percentage of its assets, as a dollar amount, or in basis points. These are costs the investor pays through a reduction in the investment's rate of return, and are required to be disclosed on the chart as a gross amount. For a mutual fund, the gross expense ratio is the total annual fund or class operating expenses (before waivers or reimbursements) paid by the fund. Where the investment option is not a mutual fund, the figure displayed in the expense ratio field is intended to reflect similar information, but may have been calculated using methodologies that differ from those used for mutual funds. Mutual fund data has been drawn from the most recent prospectus and has been provided by FMR LLC for Fidelity mutual funds and Morningstar, LLC for non-Fidelity mutual funds. For non-mutual fund investment options, the information has been provided by Morningstar, LLC, the product's investment manager or trustee, the plan sponsor or other third party.

In certain instances, there may be fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, which could result in a temporary reduction to the gross expense ratios listed in the chart. More information is available online at

http://requireddisclosureinfo.com (Password: 89948).

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<sup>^</sup> Some outside investment and vendor information may not be available to Fidelity. When "N/A" does not appear and no shareholder fee is shown, it is due to the fact that our recordkeeping system does not have a shareholder fee(s) on file. Nevertheless, there may be shareholder fees associated with the investment option. If a shareholder fee is shown, please keep in mind there may be other fees associated with the investment that our recordkeeping system does not have on file. More information may be found in the prospectus and/or other investment-related information, as well as by contacting the outside investment manager or vendor directly.

#### Investment Risk

Additional information regarding an investment option's risks, as well as its strategy and objectives, including a prospectus or fact sheet if available, can be obtained at

http://requireddisclosureinfo.com (Password: 89948). Please consider all investment information prior to directing your Plan account.

Foreign investments, especially those in emerging markets, involve greater risk and may offer greater potential returns than U.S. investments. This risk includes political and economic uncertainties of foreign countries, as well as the risk of currency fluctuation.

Stock markets, especially foreign markets, are volatile and can decline significantly in response to adverse issuer, political, regulatory, market or economic developments.

Investments in smaller companies may involve greater risk than those in larger, more well known companies.

Fidelity Freedom Funds are designed for investors expecting to retire around the year indicated in each fund's name. Except for the Freedom Income Fund, the funds' asset allocation strategy becomes increasingly conservative as it approaches the target date and beyond. Ultimately, they are expected to merge with the Freedom Income Fund. The investment risks of each Fidelity Freedom Fund change over time as its asset allocation changes. They are subject to the volatility of the financial markets, including equity and fixed income investments in the U.S. and abroad and may be subject to risks associated with investing in high yield, small cap and, commodity-related, foreign securities. Principal invested is not guaranteed at any time, including at or after their target dates.

Investments in mid-sized companies may involve greater risk than those of larger, more well known companies, but may be less volatile than investments in smaller companies.

In general the bond market is volatile and bonds entail interest rate risk (as interest rates rise bond prices usually fall and vice versa). This effect is usually pronounced for longer-term securities. Bonds also entail the risk of issuer default, issuer credit risk and inflation risk.

£ Non-Fidelity Government Mutual Fund Money Market: You could lose money by investing in a money market fund. Although the fund seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, it cannot guarantee it will do so. An investment in the fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The fund's sponsor has no legal obligation to provide financial support to money market funds and you should not expect that the sponsor will provide financial support to the fund at any time.

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### Additional Disclosure Information

Generally, data on Fidelity mutual funds is provided by FMR LLC, data on non-Fidelity mutual funds is provided by Morningstar, LLC, and data on non-mutual fund products is provided by Morningstar, LLC, the product's investment manager or trustee, the plan sponsor whose plan is offering the product to participants, or other third party. Although Fidelity believes data gathered from these third-party sources is reliable, it does not review such information and cannot warrant it to be accurate, complete, or timely. Fidelity is not responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this third-party information.

Fidelity Freedom® 2005 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2010 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2015 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2020 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2025 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2030 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2035 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2040 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2045 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2050 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2055 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® 2060 Fund - Class K: On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom (retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity Freedom® Income Fund - Class K : On July 20, 2017, an initial offering of the Fidelity Freedom K class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the Freedom

(retail) class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity<sup>®</sup> U.S. Bond Index Fund - Institutional Class: Returns prior to May 4, 2011 are those of the Investor Class and reflect the Investor Class' expense ratio. Had the Institutional Class' expense ratio been reflected, total returns would have been higher.

Eagle Small Cap Growth Fund Class R6: The analysis on these pages may be based, in part, on adjusted historical returns for periods prior to the class's actual inception of 08/15/2011. These calculated returns reflect the historical performance of the oldest share class of the fund, with an inception date of 05/07/1993, adjusted to reflect the fees and expenses of this share class (when this share class's fees and expenses are higher.) Please refer to a fund's prospectus for information regarding fees and expenses. These adjusted historical returns are not actual returns. Calculation methodologies utilized by Morningstar may differ from those applied by other entities, including the fund itself.

Fidelity<sup>®</sup> 500 Index Fund - Institutional Class : Returns prior to May 4, 2011 are those of the Premium Class and reflect the Premium Class' expense ratio. Had the Institutional Class' expense ratio been reflected, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity® Contrafund® - Class K : On May 9, 2008, an initial offering of the retirement (K) class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the non-K, non-advisor class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity® Growth Company Fund - Class K: On May 9, 2008, an initial offering of the retirement (K) class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the non-K, non-advisor class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity® International Discovery Fund - Class K: On May 9, 2008, an initial offering of the retirement (K) class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the non-K, non-advisor class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity® International Index Fund - Premium Class: Returns prior to October 14, 2005 are those of the Investor Class and reflect the Investor Class' expense ratio. Had the Premium Class' expense ratio been reflected, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity® Low-Priced Stock Fund - Class K: On May 9, 2008, an initial offering of the retirement (K) class took place. Returns and expenses prior to that date are those of the non-K, non-advisor class. Had K class expenses been reflected in the returns shown, total returns would have been higher.

Fidelity® Total Market Index Fund - Institutional Class : Returns prior to September 8, 2011 are those of the Premium Class and reflect the Premium Class' expense ratio. Had the Institutional Class' expense ratio been reflected, total returns would have been higher.

MFS® Value Fund Class R6: The analysis on these pages may be based, in part, on adjusted historical returns for periods prior to the class's actual inception of 05/01/2006. These calculated returns reflect the historical performance of the oldest share class of the fund, with an inception date of 01/02/1996, adjusted to reflect the fees and expenses of this share class (when this share class's fees and expenses are higher.) Please refer to a fund's prospectus for information regarding fees and expenses. These adjusted historical returns are not actual returns. Calculation methodologies utilized by Morningstar may differ from those applied by other entities, including the fund itself.

MFS® Value Fund Class R6 : As of 09/12/2017, Fidelity was notified this fund changed its name from MFS Value Fund Class R6. See the fund's prospectus for any additional details.

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Templeton Global Bond Fund Class R6: The analysis on these pages may be based, in part, on adjusted historical returns for periods prior to the class's actual inception of 05/01/2013. These calculated returns reflect the historical performance of the oldest share class of the fund, with an inception date of 09/18/1986, adjusted to reflect the fees and expenses of this share class (when this share class's fees and expenses are higher.) Please refer to a fund's prospectus for information regarding fees and expenses. These adjusted historical returns are not actual returns. Calculation methodologies utilized by Morningstar may differ from those applied by other entities, including the fund itself.

Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund Admiral Shares: The analysis on these pages may be based, in part, on adjusted historical returns for periods prior to the class's actual inception of 06/10/2005. These calculated returns reflect the historical performance of the oldest share class of the fund, with an inception date of 06/29/2000, adjusted to reflect the fees and expenses of this share class (when this share class's fees and expenses are higher.) Please refer to a fund's prospectus for information regarding fees and expenses. These adjusted historical returns are not actual returns. Calculation methodologies utilized by Morningstar may differ from those applied by other entities, including the fund itself.

### **Benchmarks**

Benchmark indices are unmanaged, and you cannot invest directly in an index. More information on benchmarks for the investment options through Fidelity is available online at http://requireddisclosureinfo.com (Password: 89948).

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# Appendix Fidelity BrokerageLink® Fees

Below are certain fees that may be deducted from your Plan's Fidelity BrokerageLink® account(s) in connection with various trades you execute. More detailed fee information is available on the Fidelity BrokerageLink® Commission Schedule, which you can obtain, along with additional information, on your Plan's Web site or by calling the Plan's toll-free number. Your Plan may limit the trades you are able to execute and the investments you are able to purchase within BrokerageLink®. Before directing transactions within Fidelity BrokerageLink®, remember to

Fidelity BrokerageLink®—Mutual Fund Transactions

Fidelity and Non-Fidelity No-Transaction-Fee FundsNetwork® Funds

Purchases

Short Term Trading Fee for Shares Held Less Than 60 Days<sup>1</sup>

FundsNetwork Funds—Transaction Fee Funds

Purchases

FundsNetwork Load Funds

review the prospectus or other offering document of that investment, and consider the charges associated with that transaction. If any fees are deducted directly as a result of a BrokerageLink® transaction, they will be reflected on your transaction confirmation and/or your BrokerageLink® statement. Note that if you hire an advisor to assist you in managing your Plan account, and the advisor initiates trades within BrokerageLink®, your advisor's fee schedule will apply and fees may differ from those listed below; please refer to your advisor's fee schedule for more information.

Fee (up to amount listed)

\$0 (standard load applies)

\$49.95 if executed online; \$250 max. if rep-assisted

\$49.95 or \$75 per purchase. To identify any applicable transaction fees associated with the purchase of a given fund, please refer to the "Fees and Distributions" tab on the individual fund page on Fidelity.com. \$250 max. if rep-assisted

(standard load applies)

<sup>1</sup>Certain FundsNetwork Funds may be subject to a separate and additional redemption fee imposed by the particular fund. Please check the fund's prospectus for details.

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# Plan and Investment Notice

# NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY RETIREMENT PLAN

January 14, 2017

Your participation in your employer's retirement plan is the first step to ensuring adequate retirement income. The purpose of this Plan and Investment Notice is to help you make informed decisions when managing your retirement account. It contains important information regarding your plan's services, investments and expenses. While no action is required at this time, please review the notice and file it with your other retirement plan documents for future reference.

# Section I: Summary of Plan Services and Costs

This section provides important information to assist you in making decisions related to your participation in your employer's plan. It outlines the services available under this plan, explains your right to select the investments for your account, and any fees and plan restrictions that may apply.

# Section II: Investment Options Comparative Chart

This section is designed to make it easier for you to compare investments that align with your retirement goals. It provides detailed information about your plan's investment options, including long-term performance and expenses.

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# Summary of Plan Services and Costs

TIAA has been selected to provide retirement services and investment options to employees in the plan. There are costs associated with these services and investments, some of which may be paid by you. In addition to explaining how to direct your investments, this section details the administrative and individual expenses associated with your plan.

### HOW TIAA RECORDKEEPS YOUR PLAN

TIAA provides recordkeeping services for your employer's plan which includes:

- NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY BASIC RETIREMENT PLAN Plan ID 100225
- NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLAN Plan ID 100226

Each of the above plans may offer different services and investments and may assess different fees. If you currently have a TIAA account, your quarterly statement lists the plan(s) that you have. If you do not have an account, please contact your employer to determine which plans apply to you.

### **RIGHT TO DIRECT INVESTMENTS**

You may specify how your future contributions to the retirement plan are invested or make changes to existing investments in your plan as described in the Summary Plan Document. These changes can be made:

- 1. Online by visiting tiaa-cref.org
- By phone at 800 842-2252, Monday Friday 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (ET)

### RESTRICTIONS

Changes to existing investments usually take place at the close of the business day if a change is requested prior to 4:00 p.m. (ET). Refer to Section II: Investment Options Comparative Chart for investment-specific restrictions.

### **ADDITIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES**

Certain investments that you may hold may give you the opportunity to vote on proposals. If and when such opportunities arise, you will receive a notice with the instructions on how to take advantage of what is being offered.

### **INVESTMENT OPTIONS**

A variety of investment options are available in the plan. Please refer to Section II: Investment Options Comparative Chart for a current list of investment options available to you. Additional information, as well as up-to-date investment performance, is available online at <a href="https://www.tiaa-cref.org/planinvestmentoptions">www.tiaa-cref.org/planinvestmentoptions</a>. After entering a plan ID, 100225, 100226, you'll be directed to plan and investment information.

### SELF-DIRECTED BROKERAGE

A TIAA Brokerage Service is available that permits you to use investments that have not been selected for your plan and are not monitored. This service permits you to use a wide variety of investments but you are expected to prudently select and monitor any investments that you make through the brokerage service. This means that you must have the skill and experience or use an independent expert to advise you. Depending upon your plan's characteristics, investments available within the brokerage service may or may not include mutual funds, equities, bonds and certificate of deposits (403(b) plans are limited to mutual funds). Generally, there are fees associated with investment transactions (purchasing or selling), as well as minimum transaction amount requirements. Before purchasing or selling an investment you should understand any applicable fees, including fees that will be associated with your transaction such as commissions or other charges for purchasing and selling the investment. To request a transaction, and to learn more about the brokerage service including fees call 800-927-3059 or visit http://www.tiaa-cref.org/public/brokerage/pdf/pensionsdacaa.pdf Available in all plans.

### **COST OF PLAN SERVICES**

There are three categories of services provided to your plan:

### 1. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

General administrative services include recordkeeping, legal, accounting, consulting, investment advisory and other plan administration services. Some of the expenses for general administrative services are fixed and other expenses such as legal or accounting may vary from year to year. These costs are allocated to each participant in a uniform way.

Other than your specific investment services fees, your plan has no additional administrative expenses paid to TIAA.

### 2. SPECIFIC INVESTMENT SERVICES

Each investment offered within the plan charges a fee for managing the investment and for associated services. This is referred to as the expense ratio and is paid by all participants in that investment in proportion to the amount of their investment. The specific expense ratio for each plan designated investment option is listed in Section II: Investment Options Comparative Chart.

### 3. PERSONALIZED SERVICES

SUMMARY OF PLAN SERVICES AND COST SECTION I

Personalized services provide access to a number of plan features and investments that you pay for, only if you use them. The personalized services used most often are:

Brokerage	Transactions (buy or sell) refer to Brokerage Services Agreement. Applies to all plans.
Retirement plan loan	The cost to you based upon the difference between what you earn on collateral and what you pay in interest. This applies to plan(s): 100226
Qualified Domestic Relations Orders (QDRO)	No charge
Sales Charges, Purchase, Withdrawal And Redemption Fees For Certain Investments	Certain charges may apply. See Section II: Investment Options Comparative Chart or the prospectus for applicable charges.

# **Investment Options Comparative Chart**

Your plan offers a variety of professionally managed investments. One of the benefits of the plan is that you get to decide how your contributions are invested. When making investment decisions, you should keep in mind how long you have until retirement, your tolerance for risk, how this retirement plan fits into your overall financial picture, and the impact of fees. The information on the following pages will help you compare the investment options and make more informed decisions about your retirement plan.

### Part A – Performance and Fee Information

Part A consists of performance and fee information for your plan's investment options. It shows you how well the investments have performed in the past as well as any fees and expenses you will pay if you invest in a particular option.

For more information on the impact of fees and expenses associated with your plan, refer to Section I: Summary of Plan Services and Costs or visit the DOL's website at www.dol. gov/ebsa/publications/401k\_employee.html. Fees are only one of many factors to consider when making an investment decision.

# Part B – Annuity Income Information

Part B contains information about the annuity options available within your employer's retirement plan.

# Part A. Performance and Fee Information

The following chart lists your plan's investment options whose value may change based on market fluctuations. When evaluating performance of your variable investment options, you should consider comparing the returns of each investment to an appropriate benchmark, which is included in the chart. A benchmark is a generally accepted unmanaged group of securities whose performance is used as a standard point of reference to measure and compare investment gains or losses for variable return investments. Keep in mind that you may not invest in the benchmark indexes which are shown for comparative purposes only. For investments that use a blend of stocks and bonds to limit risk, such as Target Date or Multi-Asset funds, a difference from the benchmark may be due to a difference in the proportion of stocks to bonds in the fund when compared to the benchmark. Benchmark information for fixed-return investments is not provided in this chart. Past performance does not indicate how an investment will perform in the future.

For the most up-to-date information about your investment options, prospectuses for available TIAA investments and other helpful resources, visit www.tiaa-cref. org/planinvestmentoptions. After entering a plan ID, 100225, 100226, you'll be directed to plan and investment information.

To request additional plan information or a paper copy of information available online, free of charge, contact TIAA at 800 842-2252 or write to us at TIAA, P.O. Box 1259, Charlotte, NC 28201.

# Table 1 – Variable Return Investment Performance as of December 31, 2016

					ge Annu ns/Bend		Total Annual Expenses (%/		
Investment Name /	Morningstar	Ticker	Inception	4.77	<b>5</b> V	10 Yr. or		N	
Benchmark	Category	Symbol	Date	1 Yr.	5 Yr.	Since Inception	Gross	Net	Shareholder Fees & Restrictions*
Equities Mutual Fund									
DFA Emerging Markets Core Equity Portfolio Institutional	Diversified Emerging Mkts	DFCEX	04/05/2005	12.35%	2.14%	3.11%	0.62% \$6.20	0.62% \$6.20	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the
MSCI Emerging Markets Index				11.19%	1.28%	1.84%			fund.
TIAA-CREF International	Foreign Large	TCIEX	10/01/2002	1.22%	6.69%	0.85%	0.06%	0.06%	Available in all plans.
Equity Index Fund Institutional	Blend						\$0.60	\$0.60	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
MSCI EAFE Index				1.00%	6.53%	0.75%	Contractu Exp: 02/2		idid.
American Funds EuroPacific Growth Fund R6	Foreign Large Growth	RERGX	05/01/2009	1.01%	7.22%	8.26%	0.50% \$5.00	0.50% \$5.00	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
MSCI All Country World Excluding-U.S. Index (GR)				5.01%	5.48%				
TIAA-CREF Equity Index	Large Blend	TIEIX	07/01/1999	12.76%	14.63%	7.06%	0.05%	0.05%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$0.50	\$0.50	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.07%	Contractu Exp: 02/2		iuna.
TIAA-CREF Large-Cap Value Fund Institutional	Large Value	TRLIX	10/01/2002	18.60%	14.70%	5.70%	0.42% \$4.20	0.42% \$4.20	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 1000 Value Index				17.34%	14.80%	5.72%	Contractu Exp: 02/2		iuna.
TIAA-CREF Mid-Cap Growth Fund Institutional	Mid-Cap Growth	TRPWX	10/01/2002	1.95%	11.98%	7.11%	0.47% \$4.70	0.47% \$4.70	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell Midcap Growth Index				7.33%	13.51%	7.83%	Contractu Exp: 02/2		iunu.

					ge Annua rns/Bench		Total Annual Expenses (%	Operating /Per \$1000)	
Investment Name /	Morningstar	Ticker	Inception			10 Yr. or			
Benchmark	Category	Symbol	Date	1 Yr.		Since Inception	Gross	Net	Shareholder Fees & Restrictions*
TIAA-CREF Mid-Cap Value Fund Institutional	Mid-Cap Value	TIMVX	10/01/2002	17.40%	14.15%	7.15%	0.42% \$4.20	0.42% \$4.20	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell Midcap Value Index				20.00%	15.70%	7.59%	Contractu Exp: 02/2		
Goldman Sachs Small	Small Blend	GSSIX	08/15/1997	24.65%	15.40%	8.76%	1.01%	0.97%	Available in all plans.
Cap Value Fund Institutional							\$10.10	\$9.70	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 2000 Value Index				31.74%	15.07%	6.26%	Contractua Exp: 12/2		
Eagle Small Cap Growth Fund R6	Small Growth	HSRUX	08/15/2011	10.39%	12.40%	11.73%	0.66% \$6.60	0.66% \$6.60	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 2000 Growth Index				11.32%	13.74%	13.29%			iunu.
Variable Annuity									
CREF Equity Index Account R2	Large Blend	QCEQPX	04/24/2015	12.38%	14.26%	6.69%	0.37% \$3.70	0.37% \$3.70	Available in all plans.  Contributions and Transfers in not allowed. Applies to all plans.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.07%			Round Trip: If a round trip is made within 60 calendar days, exchanges into the same account will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
CREF Stock Account R2	Large Blend	QCSTPX	04/24/2015	9.06%	11.51%	5.01%	0.49%	0.49%	Available in all plans.
							\$4.90	\$4.90	Round Trip: If a round trip is made within 60 calendar days, exchanges into the same account will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.07%			·
CREF Growth Account R2	Large Growth	QCGRPX	04/24/2015	2.81%	14.23%	8.06%	0.42% \$4.20	0.42% \$4.20	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: If a round trip is made within 60 calendar days, exchanges into the same account will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
Russell 1000 Growth Index				7.08%	14.50%	8.33%			will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
CREF Global Equities Account R2	World Stock	QCGLPX	04/24/2015	5.00%	10.43%	3.68%	0.48% \$4.80	0.48% \$4.80	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: If a round trip is made within 60 calendar days, exchanges into the same account will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
MSCI World Index				7.51%	10.41%	3.83%			will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
Fixed Income									

**Mutual Fund** 

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Investment Name /	Morningstar	Ticker	Inception			10 Yr. or			
Benchmark	Category	Symbol	Date	1 Yr.		Since Inception	Gross	Net	Shareholder Fees & Restrictions*
TIAA-CREF Bond Index Fund Institutional	Intermediate- Term Bond	TBIIX	09/14/2009	2.38%	2.07%	3.38%	0.12% \$1.20	0.12% \$1.20	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index				2.65%	2.23%	3.59%	Contractu Exp: 07/3		
Templeton Global Bond	World Bond	FBNRX	05/01/2013	6.78%	-	1.04%	0.56%	0.53%	Available in all plans.
Fund R6							\$5.60	\$5.30	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Citigroup World Government Bond Index				1.60%		-2.33%	Contractua Exp: 01/0		
Variable Annuity	Inflation Dustant	OCII DV	04/04/0045	4.400/	0.400/	2.000/	0.000/	0.200/	A 21.11 1 11.1
CREF Inflation-Linked Bond Account R2	Inflation-Protected Bond	QCILPX	04/24/2015	4.13%	0.46%	3.90%	0.39% \$3.90	0.39% \$3.90	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: If a round trip is made within 60 calendar days, exchanges into the same account will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS) 1-10 Year Index				4.01%	0.70%	3.75%			min de recurioses for de caronical acijo.
CREF Bond Market Account R2	Intermediate- Term Bond	QCBMPX	04/24/2015	3.36%	2.48%	4.01%	0.46% \$4.60	0.46% \$4.60	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: If a round trip is made within 60 calendar days, exchanges into the same account will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index				2.65%	2.23%	4.34%			will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
Money Market									
Mutual Fund									
Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund Investor 7-day current annualized yield 0.45% as of 12/31/2016 7-day effective annualized yield 0.45% as of 12/31/2016	Money Market- Taxable	VMFXX	07/13/1981	0.30%	0.08%	0.83%	0.11% \$1.10	0.11% \$1.10	Available in all plans.
Citi 3-Month Treasury Bill Index				0.27%	0.09%	0.73%			
Variable Annuity									
CREF Money Market Account R2 7-day current annualized yield 0.16% as of 12/27/2016 7-day effective annualized yield 0.16% as of 12/27/2016	Money Market- Taxable	QCMMPX	04/24/2015	0.06%	0.01%	0.74%	0.38% \$3.80	0.38% \$3.80	Available in all plans.

			_		ge Annu rns/Bend		Total Annual Expenses (%		
Investment Name / Benchmark iMoneyNet Money Fund Averages - All Government	Morningstar Category	Ticker Symbol	Inception Date	<b>1 Yr.</b> 0.08%	<b>5 Yr.</b> 0.02%	10 Yr. or Since Inception 0.63%	Gross	Net	Shareholder Fees & Restrictions*
Multi-Asset									
Mutual Fund	Datinamant	TIDIV	11/20/2007	0.040/	0.000/	4.400/	0.500/	0.070/	A 21.1.1 1 1 1 1 1
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Retirement Income Fund Institutional	Retirement Income	TLRIX	11/30/2007	6.04%	6.36%	4.49%	0.52% \$5.20	0.37% \$3.70	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index				2.65%	2.23%	4.05%	Contractua Exp: 09/3		
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2010	Target Date 2000-	TCTIX	01/17/2007	6.20%	7.07%	4.85%	0.49%	0.37%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional	2010						\$4.90	\$3.70	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index				2.65%	2.23%		Contractua Exp: 09/3	80/2019	
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2015	Target-Date 2015	TCNIX	01/17/2007	6.40%	7.68%	4.85%	0.50%	0.38%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$5.00	\$3.80	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.07%	Contractua Exp: 09/3		
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2020	Target-Date 2020	TCWIX	01/17/2007	6.66%	8.44%	4.82%	0.52%	0.40%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$5.20	\$4.00	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.07%	Contractua Exp: 09/3		
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2025	Target-Date 2025	TCYIX	01/17/2007	7.00%	9.21%	4.83%	0.53%	0.41%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$5.30	\$4.10	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.07%	Contractua Exp: 09/3		
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2030	Target-Date 2030	TCRIX	01/17/2007	7.33%	9.92%	4.77%	0.54%	0.42%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$5.40	\$4.20	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index					14.67%		Contractua Exp: 09/3	80/2019	
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2035	Target-Date 2035	TCIIX	01/17/2007	7.52%	10.55%	4.90%	0.55%	0.43%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$5.50	\$4.30	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.

					ge Annu rns/Bend		Total Annual Expenses (%		
Investment Name /	Morningstar	Ticker	Inception			10 Yr. or			
Benchmark	Category	Symbol	Date	1 Yr.	5 Yr.	Since Inception	Gross	Net	Shareholder Fees & Restrictions*
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%			Contractua Exp: 09/3		
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2040	Target-Date 2040	TCOIX	01/17/2007	7.78%	10.88%	5.11%	0.55%	0.44%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$5.50	\$4.40	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.07%	Contractua Exp: 09/3		
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2045	Target-Date 2045	TTFIX	11/30/2007	8.06%	10.93%	4.32%	0.57%	0.45%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$5.70	\$4.50	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.15%	Contractua Exp: 09/3		
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2050	Target-Date 2050	TFTIX	11/30/2007	8.10%	10.94%	4.31%	0.58%	0.45%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$5.80	\$4.50	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.15%	Contractua Exp: 09/3		
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2055	Target-Date 2055	TTRIX	04/29/2011	8.27%	10.98%	7.30%	0.64%	0.45%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional							\$6.40	\$4.50	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	11.22%	Contractua Exp: 09/3		idile.
TIAA-CREF Lifecycle 2060	Target-Date	TLXNX	09/26/2014	8.39%	-	4.35%	1.60%	0.45%	Available in all plans.
Fund Institutional	2060+						\$16.00	\$4.50	Round Trip: You cannot exchange into the fund within 30 calendar days of exchanging out of the fund.
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%		7.77%	Contractua Exp: 09/3		
Variable Annuity									
CREF Social Choice Account R2	Allocation50% to 70% Equity	QCSCPX	04/24/2015	7.29%	8.01%	5.11%	0.43% \$4.30	0.43% \$4.30	Available in all plans.  Round Trip: If a round trip is made within 60 calendar days, exchanges into the same account
Russell 3000 Index				12.74%	14.67%	7.07%			will be restricted for 90 calendar days.
Real Estate									
Variable Annuity	N1/A	ODEADY	40/00/4005	F 0001	0.000/	0.000/	0.0004	0.000/	
TIAA Real Estate Account	N/A	QREARX	10/02/1995	5.20%	9.03%	3.38%	0.89% \$8.90	0.89% \$8.90	Available in all plans.  Transfers out: Limit 1 per quarter. Limitations may apply to any transaction resulting in a balance >
S&P 500 Index				11.96%	14.66%	6.95%			\$150,000.

Table 1 shows fee and expense information for the investment options listed including the Total Annual Operating Expenses expressed as a percentage and a dollar amount based upon a \$1,000 accumulation both as net and gross of expenses. Total Annual Operating Expenses is a measure of what it costs to operate an investment, expressed as a percentage of its assets, as a dollar amount or in basis points. These are costs the investor pays through a reduction in the investment's rate of return.

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Plans	Plan Names								
100225	NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY BASIC RETIREMENT PLAN								
100226	NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT PLAN								

# Table 2 – Fixed Return Investments

The following chart lists the plan's investment options that have a fixed or stated rate of return.

Name/Type/Option	Return	Term	Additional Information*
Guaranteed Annuity	Rotuin	Tom	Additional information
TIAA Traditional-Retirement Annuity	4.00%	Through 02/28/2017	Available in all plans.  The current rate shown applies to premiums remitted during the month of January 2017 and will be credited through 2/28/2017. This rate is subject to change in subsequent months. Up-to-date rate of return information is available on your plan-specific website noted above or at 800-842-2733. TIAA Traditional guarantees your principal and a minimum annual interest rate. The guaranteed minimum interest rate is 3.00%, and is effective while the funds remain in the contract. The account also offers the opportunity for additional amounts in excess of the guaranteed minimum interest rate. When declared, additional amounts remain in effect for the twelve-month period that begins each March 1 for accumulating annuities and January 1 for payout annuities. Additional amounts are not guaranteed for the future years. All guarantees are subject to TIAA's claims paying ability. TIAA Traditional is designed primarily to help meet your long-term retirement income needs; it is not a short-term savings vehicle. Therefore, some contracts require that benefits are paid in installments over time and/or may impose surrender charges on certain withdrawals. TIAA has rewarded participants who save in contracts where benefits are paid in installments over time instead of in an immediate lump-sum by crediting higher interest rates, typically 0.50% to 0.75% higher. Higher rates will lead to higher account balances and more retirement income for you. For Retirement Annuity (RA) contracts, lump-sum withdrawals are not available from the TIAA Traditional account. Subject to the terms of your plan, all withdrawals and transfers from the account must be paid in ten annual installments. After termination of employment additional income options may be available including income for life, interest-only payments, and IRS required minimum distribution payments.
TIAA Traditional-Group Supplemental Retirement Annuity	3.25%	Through 02/28/2017	Available in plan(s): 100226  The current rate shown applies to premiums remitted during the month of January 2017 and will be credited through 2/28/2017. This rate is subject to change in subsequent months. Up-to-date rate of return information is available on your plan-specific website noted above or at 800-842-2733. TIAA Traditional guarantees your principal and a minimum annual interest rate. The guaranteed minimum interest rate is 3.00%, and is effective while the funds remain in the contract. The account also offers the opportunity for additional amounts in excess of the guaranteed minimum interest rate. When declared, additional amounts remain in effect for the twelve-month period that begins each March 1 for accumulating annuities and January 1 for payout annuities. Additional amounts are not guaranteed for the future years. All guarantees are subject to TIAA's claims paying ability. For Group Supplemental Retirement Annuity (GSRA) contracts, and subject to the terms of your employer's plan, lump-sum withdrawals and transfers are available from the TIAA Traditional account without any restrictions or charges. After termination of employment additional income options may be available including income for life, income for a fixed period of time, and IRS required minimum distribution payments.

Name/Type/Option	Return	Term	Additional Information*
			Available in plan(s): 100226
			The current rate shown applies to premiums remitted or credited through 2/28/2017. This rate is subject to cha return information is available on your plan-specific we Traditional guarantees your principal and a minimum a interest rate is 3.00%, and is effective while the funds the opportunity for additional amounts in excess of the declared, additional amounts remain in effect for the twaccumulating annuities and January 1 for payout annuithe future years. All guarantees are subject to TIAA's of Retirement Annuity (SRA) contracts, and subject to the withdrawals and transfers are available from the TIAA sharms.
		Through	charges. After termination of employment additional in
TIAA Traditional-Supplemental Retirement Annuity	3.25%	02/28/2017	for life, income for a fixed period of time, and IRS requ

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Plans	Plan Names								
100225	NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY BASIC RETIREMENT PLAN								
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# Part B. Annuity Information

The information below focuses on the annuity options under the plan. Annuities are insurance contracts that allow you to receive a guaranteed stream of payments at regular intervals, usually beginning when you retire and lasting for your entire life. Annuities are issued by insurance companies. Guarantees of an insurance company are subject to its long-term financial strength and claims-paying ability.

# TIAA Traditional Annuity Lifetime Income Option OBJECTIVES / GOALS

To provide a guaranteed stable stream of income for your life and, if you choose, the life of an annuity partner. A TIAA Traditional Annuity provides income stability by providing a minimum guaranteed interest rate as well as the potential for additional interest. TIAA Traditional can be part of a diversified retirement portfolio that may include stocks (equities), bonds (fixed income), real estate, and money market investments. Electing a life annuity is just one of many payout options available under the TIAA Traditional Annuity.

### **PRICING FACTORS**

The amount of your lifetime income is dependent upon many factors including:

- The type of annuity selected (single life, joint life, with or without guaranteed minimum periods), and your selection of either the standard or graded benefit method.
- The amount of accumulations converted to a life annuity.
- Your age and, if applicable, the age of your annuity partner.
- The projected returns of the TIAA Traditional Annuity.

Under no circumstances will you receive less than the guaranteed amount of income required under the annuity contracts. To learn more about investments that offer lifetime annuity income, please access the web link provided in the Performance and Fee Information section.

### **RESTRICTIONS / FEES**

- You may not begin a one-life annuity after you attain age 90, nor may you begin a two-life annuity after you or your annuity partner attains age 90.
- Subject to contract terms, if your accumulation is less than \$5,000 on your annuity starting date, TIAA may choose instead to pay your accumulations to you in a single sum.
- If your TIAA annuity payment would be less than \$100, TIAA has the right to change the payment frequency which would result in a payment of \$100 or more.
- Once you have elected a lifetime annuity, your election is irrevocable.

# TIAA Real Estate and CREF Variable Annuity Lifetime Income Options OBJECTIVES / GOALS

To provide a variable stream of income for your life and, if you choose, the life of an annuity partner. This lifetime annuity provides a variable income that you cannot outlive. A variable annuity can be part of a diversified retirement portfolio that may include guaranteed, stocks (equities), bonds (fixed income), real estate, and money market investments. Electing a life annuity is just one of many payout options available.

### **PRICING FACTORS**

The amount of your lifetime income is dependent upon many factors including:

- The type of annuity selected (single life, joint life, with or without guaranteed minimum periods).
- The amount of accumulations converted to a life annuity.
- Your age and, if applicable, the age of your annuity partner.
- The investment performance of the variable annuity account your annuity is based upon.

Variable annuity accounts don't guarantee a minimum income. Income fluctuates based on market performance and is directly tied to the accounts' investment returns. A 4% annual investment return is assumed. Generally, if the actual return in a given year is greater than 4% the amount of annuity income will increase; if it is less than 4%, the income will decrease. To learn more about investments that offer lifetime annuity income, please access the web link provided in the Performance and Fee Information section.

### **RESTRICTIONS / FEES**

- You may not begin a one-life annuity after you attain age 90, nor may you begin a two-life annuity after you or your annuity partner attains age 90.
- Subject to contract terms, if your accumulation is less than \$5,000 on your annuity starting date, TIAA may choose instead to pay your accumulations to you in a single sum.
- If your annuity payment would be less than \$100, TIAA has the right to change the payment frequency which would result in a payment of \$100 or more.

- Once you have elected a lifetime annuity, your election is irrevocable.
- Upon annuitization of CREF accumulations, the expenses associated with CREF will be the same as the R3 Class regardless of the CREF Class prior to annuitization. The R3 Class has the lowest expense of all the CREF Classes.

Please visit www.tiaa-cref.org/public/support/help/glossary/index.html for a glossary of investment terms relevant to the investment options under this plan.

Fees and expenses are only one of many factors to consider when you decide to invest in an option. You may also want to think about whether an investment in a particular option, along with your other investments, will help you achieve your financial goals. The cumulative effect of fees and expenses can substantially reduce the growth of your retirement savings. Visit the Department of Labor's website for an example showing the long-term effect of fees and expenses at www.dol.gov/ebsa/publications/401k\_employee.html.

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If a variable return investment option includes performance for periods beyond its inception date that performance is based on the performance of an older share class of the investment option. Such performance has not been restated to reflect expense differences between the two classes. If expense differences had been reflected, performance for these periods would be lower or higher than stated.

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