With an effective date of June 25, 2023, the University of Idaho will grant employee salary adjustments to board-appointed employees for FY24. The new pay rates will be reflected on July 21, 2023, paychecks. These instructions address the process for salary adjustments, which include faculty, classified, exempt and postdoc employees, (student and temporary help employees are not eligible for CEC increases). The adjustments will be based on target salaries generated by our market-based compensation system.

**CEC Philosophy and Central Allocation:**

Employees in good standing, that at least meet expectations in their 2022 performance evaluation, will receive an across-the-board salary increase of $600. This amount will be adjusted based on employee FTE.

UI minimum rates: for FY24, the minimum hourly rate will increase to $16.00 per hour. The minimum exempt salary for FY24 will be $886 per week / $46,072 per year.

Employees with a salary below 80% of their calculated target salary, after the above across-the-board increase, will receive an equity increase to 80% of their calculated target salary.

Vice presidents and deans will be provided a pool of Gen Ed funds to be distributed for meritorious performance.

Units may, at their discretion, request to supplement salary increases as budgets allow.

**Eligibility:**

**Continuing employees who were in their positions on or before 3.10.2023:**

| At least meets performance standards on their 2022 annual evaluation* | Eligible for all increases |
| Did not meet performance standards on their 2022 annual evaluation | Eligible only for increases up to the UI minimum rates |
| Did not complete required training | Eligible for across-the-board salary increase, up to 80% of target, and UI minimum rates, but not eligible for any additional increases |
| Faculty Promotion/Tenure Denial | Eligible for across-the-board salary increase, up to 80% of target, and UI minimum rates, but not eligible for any additional increases |

*If the 2022 performance evaluation has not yet been received for acceptable reasons, the employee will be eligible for all increases. In this instance, salary adjustments will be made retroactively and/or prorated for the next contract period after the annual evaluation is submitted to the Provost’s Office.

**Employees new to the university, or who started in a new position after 3.10.2023:**

| At least meets performance standards on an interim annual evaluation | Eligible for increases up to 80% of target, and UI minimum rates, but not eligible for any additional increases |

**New employees after 4.1.2023:**
- Units fund position increases to UI minimum hourly and exempt salary rates.

**Process:**

The combined efforts of the offices of Human Resources and Budget will provide each vice president and dean with a roster/spreadsheet to complete, and return based on the following:

**Step 1:** Across-the-Board Increase: All employees with satisfactory performance will receive an across-the-board salary increase of $600 based on 1.0 FTE.

**Step 2:** Maintaining UI minimum rates: For FY24, the minimum hourly rate will increase to $16.00 per hour. The minimum exempt salary is $886 per week / $46,072 per year. These increases are not optional. If a unit cannot fund the increase to the new exempt minimum, they should contact their Human Resources Business Partner to discuss the possibility of moving the employee to a classified (hourly) status.

**Step 3:** Equity Increase: Increase all employees not at 80% of their calculated target salary, after the above across-the-board increase, to 80% of their calculated target salary.

**Step 4:** Unit funded equity increases: Units may request additional equity increases if they have funding available to support the request. While considering increases, keep in mind that the goal of our market-based compensation system is to pay all employees at least their target salaries. Until we reach the goal of 100% of target, equity is defined in our system as paying employees roughly the same percentage of their individualized target salaries while simultaneously rewarding meritorious performance.
Step 5: Merit Increases: Deans and vice presidents will receive a merit pool of General Education (GenEd) funds to allocate to GenEd-funded positions for meritorious performance. Units may also provide unit-funded merit increases beyond the merit pool allocation. All merit increases follow the current FY24 PBUD labor distribution and units must identify source funds for all unit funded Gen Ed increases; the source PCN (or major expense code if not using current personnel funds) and Index must be included.

Vice presidents and deans will be provided a single merit pool of Gen Ed funds for all employees in their unit.

Merit allocations should be made pursuant to FSH 3420.

No more than 50% of the combined faculty and staff in a college or vice president’s division may receive merit increases.

Note 1: Both Step 1 (Across the Board) and Step 3 (Equity) increases assume satisfactory performance. When performance is satisfactory, these increases should be accepted as is. If an employee’s performance is not satisfactory, the vice president should not accept the recommendation and should “zero out” the recommended increase. The funds that would have been otherwise available for that employee may not be redistributed to other employees.

Note 2: Total salary increases for individual employees will be capped at 20% of the employee’s current salary, or the amount needed to bring them up to 80% of their target salary, whichever is greater.

Subject to the final approval of the President, all salary adjustments must be approved by the Provost or appropriate vice president.

Faculty Specific Information:

1. More details about the market-based compensation system, including market salaries and longevity tables, can be found on the Provost’s website. FY24 data will be uploaded during summer 2023.
2. The faculty member must have the rank of Instructor, Senior Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Full Professor, or Distinguished Professor.
3. Faculty Administrators are eligible for CEC. Direct reports to the Provost/EVP are not distributed to the unit. Department heads, chairs, directors, and program directors will not be listed in this section. Faculty Administrator stipends are determined by a SOC code.

Funding and Implementation:

Funding: General education funding of recommended increases for individual positions is based on FY24 records within Banner (NBAPBUD) as of April 1, 2023. All other funding, including recommended increases for positions not permanently budgeted on general education as of April 1 and all additional funds identified by the unit, is the responsibility of the unit. Any questions regarding funding sources
Units with split-funded positions are expected to work collaboratively to ensure agreement on proposed increases. Any changes to the recommended salary increase for split-funded positions should be addressed in the “Notes” column of the spreadsheet with a clear indication that all agree. Please note that percentages in split funded positions will remain as is – increases will be applied accordingly. Vacant positions will not receive any CEC funding.

For questions about calculations for staff - contact Lodi Price (lrp@uidaho.edu)

For questions about calculations for faculty - contact Kenwyn Richards (kenwynr@uidaho.edu)

**Implementation:** Upon approval by the President, central administration will implement all salary increases through automated salary agreements and letters in VandalWeb. This process will update all impacted employees (both 00 and 01 suffix) to their new permanent salaries effective 06/25/2023. Units are responsible for seeking continuation approval (on FY24 Staff Salary Change Forms) and processing any actions (EPAFs) needed to reinstate existing temporary pay and/or FTE changes with an effective date of 06/26/2023.

**Materials due by April 24, 2023:**

Vice presidents and deans should return their reviewed spreadsheets and explanations/notes as soon as possible, but no later than April 24, 2023, as follows:

All units within Academic Affairs return spreadsheets to the Provost’s Office (kenwynr@uidaho.edu).

All units outside of Academic Affairs return spreadsheets to Human Resources (lrp@uidaho.edu).

In the explanations, please include the following:

- brief justification for any increase eliminated due to unsatisfactory performance,
- brief explanation for any area/group of employees where increases are to be eliminated or reduced due to lack of funding,
- Funding source for any unit-funded increases, and
- Justification for the increase

The return email should indicate that the spreadsheet has been reviewed for accuracy and is approved by the academic dean or vice president.

Any requests to adjust FY24 employee salaries after spreadsheets are returned, reviewed and approved will need to complete an FY24 Staff Salary Change Form, located on the Human Resources webpage (https://www.uidaho.edu/human-resources/forms) with an effective date no earlier than June 26, 2023.