

New CU online courses let you prepare for retirement at your own pace ^[1]

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While the idea of retiring sounds relaxing, getting ready to retire may feel overwhelming.

To aid University of Colorado faculty and staff in planning for their next milestone, Employee Services has released two interactive online courses as part of its [Retirement Ready website](#) ^[3]

Each course, one for CU 401(a) Mandatory Retirement Plan participants and another for PERA Defined Benefits Retirement Plan participations, outlines eligibility requirements, retiree benefits options and premiums, and important checkpoints in the retirement process.

Access the course that aligns with your retirement plan:

[CU 401\(a\)](#) ^[4]

[PERA](#) ^[5]

These courses are available 24/7 for faculty and staff to learn at their own pace and reference as they get closer to a target retirement date. Guides and checklists supplement these courses to aid in mapping out your journey to retirement.

Additional resources

If you need more personalized planning assistance, schedule an [online consultation](#) ^[6] with a TIAA financial expert. These consultants can help determine your next steps financially at no cost to yourself, regardless of your plan provider. According to the [Employee Services' Impact Report](#) ^[7], 1,112 faculty and staff met with TIAA for a financial consultation last fiscal year. About 430 of these meetings were held virtually, a new service offered in response to COVID-19 social distancing needs.

Questions?

Benefits professionals are always available to answer any questions at benefits@cu.edu ^[8] or 303-860-4200, option 3.

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