Santa Clara University is dedicated to attracting, developing, and retaining quality faculty and staff members. To accomplish this goal the University may conduct regional, national, and, in some cases, international employment searches. As a result, it may be necessary to offer – in addition to a competitive compensation and benefit package – relocation assistance for strategic hires.

This document specifies the eligibility requirements, qualified relocation expenses, amount of allowable assistance, and procedures for approving and processing relocation expense reimbursements for newly hired employees.

## <u>For further information specific to relocation assistance for faculty, please reference the Relocation Assistance for Faculty guidelines.</u>

## **Eligibility for Relocation Assistance**

Newly hired employees who are appointed to one of the following strategic positions may be eligible to receive relocation assistance:

- Administrative positions reporting to the President, Provost, or a Vice President (see Appendix A)
- Administrative positions reporting to an Assistant Vice President, Associate Vice President, Vice Provost, or Dean (see Appendix A)
- Head Coach Positions for national sports (men and women's basketball; men and women's soccer; baseball; and women's volleyball)
- Tenured or Tenure-Track Faculty
- Senior lecturers, renewable term lecturers, term faculty, and faculty on special appointments with the approval of the Dean and the Provost
- Librarians with the approval of the Provost

In order to qualify for reimbursement of relocation expenses, the following conditions must be met:

- The moving expenses must be incurred within one year of the starting date of the employee's appointment.
- The distance from the employee's new home to the University must not be greater than the distance from the employee's former home to the University.
- The University must be at least 50 miles farther from the employee's former home than the employee's old job location was from the employee's former home. For example, if the employee's old job location was 3 miles from the employee's former home, the University must be at least 53 miles from the employee's former home.

#### **Amount of Relocation Assistance**

The amount of relocation assistance, including the supplemental payment, provided to a newly hired faculty or staff member must be authorized by the President, Provost, or appropriate Vice President. Assistance is limited to \$10,000 for moves originating within the state of California and to \$20,000 for moves originating outside the state of California, including outside the United States.

## **Approval and Payment Procedures**

The President, Provost, or appropriate Vice President responsible for the appointment must approve relocation assistance, including the maximum amount of assistance, for newly hired faculty and staff. The approved amount of relocation assistance is to be included in the

candidate's offer letter, letter of appointment, or other relevant document.

Effective January 1, 2018, all employer-provided relocation expenses, including moving expenses paid directly to a third party (e.g. a moving company), must be reported as federal taxable income, subject to income tax and FICA withholding. Therefore, you will receive the relocation assistance specified in your offer letter, less applicable taxes, via payroll on your first pay day with the University. There are no limits or conditions to how you spend your relocation assistance and no specific companies, services or methods of moving that you have to follow to get your relocation assistance.

### **Repayment of Relocation Assistance**

If an employee who has received relocation assistance does not continue employment with the University for a period of two years, the employee may be required to repay the amount received as relocation assistance. The amount of the repayment owed to the University will be prorated based on the number of months of employment.

### **Contact Information**

Please consult with your hiring manager or Human Resources regarding questions related to your relocation assistance.

For information about potential tax implications related to relocation assistance, employees should contact the Internal Revenue Service [www.irs.gov or (800) 829-1040], the California Franchise Tax Board [www.ftb.ca.gov or (800) 852-5711], or their personal tax advisor.

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## APPENDIX A ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS ELIGIBLE FOR RELOCATION ASSISTANCE

## Administrative positions reporting to the President, Provost, or a Vice President

Deans

Vice Provosts

Director, Athletics and Recreation

Associate Vice President, Finance

Assistant Vice President, Human Resources

Assistant Vice President, University Operations

Chief Investment Officer

Director, Administrative Services

Director, Auxiliary Services

Associate Vice President, Marketing and Communications

Assistant Vice President, Development

Executive Director, Alumni Relations

Director, Planned Giving

University General Counsel

**Executive Assistant to the President** 

Director, Campus Ministry

Executive Director, Ignatian Center

Dean of Admissions

Dean of University Financial Aid Services

## Administrative positions reporting to an Associate/Assistant Vice President, Vice Provost, or Dean

Associate Vice Provosts

Assistant Vice Provosts

Associate Provosts

Senior Assistant Deans, College and Schools

Assistant Deans, College and Schools

Executive Director, Markkula Center

Executive Director, Center for Science, Technology, and Society

Associate Directors, Centers of Distinction

Director, de Saisset Museum

Director, Institutional Research

Director, Sponsored Projects

Director, Center for Multicultural Learning

The University Librarian, Orradre Library

The University Librarian, Heafey Law Library

Director, Media Services

Director, Information Technology

Senior Associate Athletic Director

University Registrar

Associate Dean, Student Life

Dean, Academic Support Services (Drahmann Center)

Director, Center for Student Leadership

Director, Health and Counseling Services

Director, Career Center

### APPENDIX A

## ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS ELIGIBLE FOR RELOCATION ASSISTANCE

Administrative positions reporting to an Associate/Assistant Vice President, Vice Provost, or

Dean (continued)

Director, University Events

Director, Residence Life

**University Controller** 

University Budget Director

Director of Benefits, Compensation, and Payroll

Assistant Director, Human Resources

**EEO/Diversity Specialist** 

Director, Facilities

**Director Campus Safety Services** 

Director, Planning & Projects

Director, Media Relations

**Creative Director** 

Marketing Director

Director, Major Gifts

Director, Annual and Special Gifts

Director, Advancement Services

Director, Corporate and Foundation Relations

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