# **Summary Plan Description**

Prepared for

# Spelman College Defined Contribution Plan

#### INTRODUCTION

save for retirement. Spelman College has restated the Spelman College Defined Contribution Plan (the "Plan") to help you and other Employees

affecting your rights under the Plan. regulations that apply to retirement plans. The Plan document may change as new or revised laws or regulations take effect. provisions that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) requires. The Plan document must follow certain federal laws and Your Employer restated the Plan by signing a complex legal agreement - the Plan document - which contains all of the Your Employer also has the right to modify certain features of the Plan from time to time. You will be notified about changes

document - not this SPD - will govern. information in this SPD conflicts with the terms of the Plan document adopted by your Employer, the terms of the Plan terms are capitalized throughout the SPD and are defined in more detail in the DEFINITIONS section of the SPD. If any making arrangements with your Employer. Certain terms in the SPD have a special meaning when used in the Plan. information contained in this SPD, you should contact your Employer. You may also examine a copy of the plan document by obligations under the Plan. If you want more detailed information regarding certain plan features or have questions about the This Summary Plan Description (SPD) summarizes the important features of the Plan document, including your benefits and

understanding of your rights and obligations under the Pian. Contact your Employer or the investment vendor to obtain copies option governed by that Individual Agreement. You should review the Individual Agreements along with this SPD to gain a full Plan generally allows loans. If this is the case, you would not be able to take a loan from the accumulation in an investment your options under the Plan. For example, the Individual Agreement may contain a provision which prohibit loans, even if the rights under the contracts and accounts and the unique rules that apply to each Plan investment which may, in some cases, limit agreements constituting or governing the annuity contracts and custodial accounts (the "Individual Agreements") explain your All dollars contributed to the Plan will be invested either in annuity contracts or in mutual funds held in custodial accounts. The of the Individual Agreements or to receive more information regarding the investment options available under the Plan.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION AND RIGHTS UNDER ERISA document may have special effective dates. A summary of special effective dates is provided in the section titled This SPD summarizes features of your Employer's current Plan document. In addition, some provisions under this Plan

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#### ELIGIBILITY

### Am I eligible to participate in the Plan?

following categories of excluded employees. You will be eligible to contribute a portion of your pay to the Plan as a pre-tax Deferral, unless you fall into one of the

college or university. You are a student enrolled and attending classes offered by your Employer and your Employer is a school,

requirements described below, unless you fall into one of the following categories of excluded employees You will be eligible to participate in the Plan and receive contributions made by your Employer after meeting certain

- college, or university You are a student enrolled and attending classes offered by your Employer and your Employer is a school,
- You are Employees classified as temporary or Summer Service Providers under the Spelman College payroll

you will continue to be eligible to participate in this Plan without satisfying any additional age or service requirements The Plan document is being amended or restated on to new Plan documents. If you were eligible to participate in the prior plan

# What requirements do I have to meet before I am eligible to participate in the Plan?

Unless you fall into one of the categories of excluded employees, you will be immediately eligible (or required) to

defer a portion of your pay as a pre-tax Deferral into the Plan

contributions made by your Employer. However, there is no age requirement for deferring a portion of your Compensation as a Unless you are part of an excluded class of employees, you must reach age 18 before you will be eligible to receive Roth Deferrals into another plan maintained by your Employer that does not have any age and service requirements pre-tax Deferral. The age requirement listed above, however, will apply to pre-tax Deferrals only if you can defer pre-tax or

### When can I enter the Plan?

#### Deferral Contributions

your hire date. You will be able to contribute a portion of your pay into the Plan as a pre-tax Deferral as soon as administratively feasible after

#### Matching Contributions

become eligible to receive Matching Contributions from your Employer. Once you have met the age and service requirements listed above, you will enter the Plan the first day of the next month and

# What happens to my Plan eligibility if I terminate my employment and am later rehired?

re-employment is protected under federal or state law, and you return to employment within the time required by law were pregnant, had a child or adopted a child, were serving in the military, or provided service during a national emergency and service. Periods during which you have a break in eligibility service will not count against you if you were absent because you service will not be taken into account and you will have to satisfy the eligibility requirements following your break in hours. If you had not yet satisfied the eligibility requirements and had a break in eligibility service, periods before your break in the Employer, even if you have a break in eligibility service. A break in service occurs when you do not work more than 500 Once you satisfy the eligibility requirements and enter the Plan, you will continue to participate while you are still employed by

were a Participant in the Plan before terminating employment or having a break in eligibility service, and are later rehired, you soon as administratively feasible after being rehired. If you had met the eligibility requirements for Matching Contributions and need to again satisfy the Plan's eligibility requirements for Matching Contributions will enter the Plan immediately. If you were not a Participant before the break in eligibility service, and are rehired, you will If you terminate employment and are later rehired, you will be able to defer a portion of your Compensation as a Deferral as

### **CONTRIBUTIONS & VESTING**

### What amount can I contribute to the Plan?

#### <u>Deferrals</u>

full Deferral balance (plus earnings). earnings) are always fully vested and cannot be forfeited. So if you were to leave your Employer, you would be entitled to the and 403(b) tax-sheltered annuity plans). This amount will increase as the cost of living increases. Deferrals (and the related 2010 and includes contributions you make to certain other deferral plans (e.g., other 401(k) plans, salary deferral SEP plans, excluded classes listed previously. The maximum dollar amount that you can contribute to the Plan each year is \$16,500 for You will be able to contribute a portion of your Compensation as a pre-tax Deferral unless you are a member of one of the

you take a payout from the Plan. These contributions will reduce your taxable income each year that you make a contribution while it is invested in the Plan) will not be taxed at the time it is paid by your Employer. Instead, it will be taxable to you when means that, unlike the compensation that you actually receive, the pre-tax contribution (and all of the earnings accumulated The amount of your Compensation that you decide to defer into the Plan generally will be contributed on a pre-tax basis. That but will be treated as compensation for Social Security taxes.

the Plan. Your Employer will pay you \$23,750 as gross taxable income and will deposit \$1,250 (five percent) into the Plan. EXAMPLE: Assume your Compensation is \$25,000 per year. You decide to contribute five percent of your Compensation into You will not pay federal income taxes on the \$1,250 (plus earnings on the \$1,250) until you withdraw it from the Plan.

### How do I start making contributions?

To begin deferring a portion of your Compensation into the Plan, you must follow the procedures established by your

# What if I don't make a specific election to contribute some of my Compensation into the Pian?

procedures established by your Employer for making a Deferral election, you will not be enrolled in the Plan as a deferring Participant (i.e., 0% of your Compensation will be deferred into the Plan). You are not required to defer a portion of your Compensation into the Plan. If you elect 0% or you simply fail to follow the

# Can I change my contribution rate or stop making Deferrals after I start participating in the Plan?

your Employer. Generally, once you stop your Deferrals, you will not be able to reenroll in the Pian and begin making You may change the amount you are deferring into the Plan or stop making Deferrals altogether at the times determined by Employer decides to allow more frequent re-entry. Deferrals again until the first day of the next Plan Year, or the first day of the seventh month of the Plan Year, unless your

begin making Deferrals again until January 1. into the Plan as a pre-tax Deferral. On October 1 you decide to stop making Deferrals. You will not be able to re-enter and Example: Assume the Plan Year is the calendar year and you are enrolled in the Plan and deferring 6% of your Compensation

### What if I contribute too much to the Plan?

writing, of the excess amount by March 1 and request that it be removed. The excess amount is taxable to you in the year you the Plan by April 15 of the year following the year the money was contributed to the Plan. You must notify your Employer, in If you contribute too much to the Plan as a Deferral, you must take the excess amount (plus any earnings on the excess) out of contributed it to the Plan. If you do not remove it by the deadline, additional taxes will apply.

# If I make Deferrals to the Plan, will my Employer match any of those contributions?

conditions outlined below, your Employer will make a contribution to the Plan as a Matching Contribution on your behalf Each year that you contribute a portion of your Compensation into the Plan as a pre-tax Deferral, and satisfy the additional based on the following formula.

### See Other Plan Information

In addition to making a pre-tax Deferral, you must also work 1000 hours during the Plan Year to qualify for a Matching

The 1000 hours of service requirement will not apply, however, if you die, you terminate employment after becoming disabled,

or you terminate employment after reaching age 65.

## Will the Employer make any additional contributions to the Plan?

which apply to the Plan. The amount of the Qualified Nonelective Contribution, if any, will be determined each year by your Employer. Your Employer may decide to make Qualified Nonelective Contributions to the Plan to satisfy special nondiscrimination rules

## Are there any limits on how much can be contributed for me?

\$49,000 in 2010 or an amount equal to 100% of your Compensation, whichever is less, allocated to the Plan for your benefit In addition to the Deferral limit described previously, you may not have total contributions (including Deferrals) of more than across all retirement plans sponsored by your Employer. each year. The \$49,000 limit will be increased as the cost of living increases, and is the total amount that can be contributed

# Will contributions be made for me if I am called to military service?

contributions from your Employer. If your Plan permits Deferrals or Nondeductible Employee Contributions, you may also If you are reemployed by your Employer after completing military service, you may be entitled to receive certain make-up have the option of making up missed employee contributions and receiving a Matching Contribution, if applicable, on these

If you are reemployed after military service, contact your Plan Administrator for more information about your options under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA).

# Will I be able to keep my Employer contributions if I terminate employment or am no longer eligible to participate in

determining your vested percentage; however, you must work at least 1,000 hours during each Plan Year to earn a year of your employment or have a break in service. You will earn the right to a greater portion of contributions that you receive from Contributions that you receive from your Employer are subject to a vesting schedule and could be forfeited if you terminate your Employer the longer you work for your Employer. Generally, all of your years of service with the Employer count toward vesting service.

The following vesting schedule applies to contributions received from your Employer:

YEARS OF VESTING SERVICE	VESTED PERCENTAGE
Less than One	0%
<b>J</b>	0%
2	0%
3	100%

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100%	100%	100%

have four years of vesting service, you will receive 100% or \$1,000. EXAMPLE: You have worked for your Employer four years and have received \$1,000 in contributions from your Employer. You terminate employment and request a distribution of contributions that you received from your Employer. Because you

incur a Disability while performing qualified military service. Retirement Age, the Plan is terminated, contributions to the Plan are discontinued, you die, you incur a Disability or die or Although your Employer has adopted a vesting schedule, your balance will become 100 percent vested when you reach Normal

participate in the Plan. Employer will always be 100 percent vested and cannot be forfeited, even if you terminate employment or become ineligible to Like the amounts that you contribute to the Plan as Deferrals, Qualified Nonelective Contributions that you receive from your

# What happens to the nonvested portion of my account if I terminate employment?

required to repay the full amount of any payout you have taken. To avoid a break in vesting service, you must work more than the Plan. If you are rehired before five breaks in vesting service occur, your forfeited amount will be restored but you may be portion may be forfeited and used to pay the Plan's administrative expenses or used to reduce future Employer contributions to If you terminate employment, you will always retain the right to the vested portion of your Plan balance. Your nonvested 500 hours during any Plan Year.

# WITHDRAWING MONEY FROM THE PLAN (AND LOANS)

### When can I take a distribution from the plan?

employment after reaching age 65. You may always request a distribution of contributions you have received from your Employer upon termination of

You may request a distribution of Deferrals at the times listed below.

- You terminate employment
- You become Disabled

invested in annuity contracts. You may request a distribution of the contributions you receive from your Employer at the times listed below, if they are

You terminate employment

#### You become Disabled

You may request a distribution of the contributions you receive from your Employer at the times listed below, if they are invested in custodial accounts.

- You terminate employment
- You become Disabled

you receive from your Employer, if permitted under the terms of the Individual Agreements. Your transfer contributions and/or rollover contributions will also be available to you at the times listed above for contributions

September 11, 2001. In order to qualify for these penalty-free distributions, you must have been ordered or called to active duty and before your active duty ended. for a period of at least 180 days or an indefinite period and your distribution must have been taken after you were called to duty You may be able to take a penalty-free distribution from your Deferrals if you were called to active military duty after

and/or Mandatory Employee Contributions to the Plan during the six-month period beginning on the date of the distribution. take a distribution of your Deferrals from the Plan without severing from employment with your Employer. However, if you Effective 01/01/2009, if you are on active duty in the uniformed services for a period of more than 30 days, you may elect to choose to take distributions under this provision, you will not be permitted to make Deferrals, Nondeductible Contributions

right to transfer among approved investment options. Please review both the following information in this Summary additional limits on when you can take a distribution, the form of distribution that may be available as well as your Plan Description and the terms of your annuity contracts or custodial agreements before requesting a distribution. The Individual Agreements governing the investment options that you selected for your Plan contributions may contain Contact your Employer or the investment vendor if you have questions regarding your distribution options

### How do I request a payout?

your Employer for processing distributions You must complete a payout request form provided or approved by your Employer or follow other procedures established by

as administratively feasible after the date you (or your beneficiary in the case of your death) request a distribution If you die, become Disabled, or reach age 65 and you qualify for and request a distribution, your distribution will begin as soon

administratively feasible after the date you (or your beneficiary in the case of your death) request a distribution If you terminate your employment and you qualify for and request a distribution, your distribution will begin as soon as

# If I am married, does my spouse have to approve my distributions from the Plan?

qualified joint and survivor annuity. Your spouse's consent is also needed if you want to name someone other than your spouse If you are married, you must get written consent from your spouse to take a distribution from the Plan in any form other than a

some other form permitted by the Plan. Your spouse must also consent to any Plan loans that you request. will provide you with more information regarding your annuity options when it comes time for you to make a decision. Follow different survivor percentage subject to certain limits under the qualified optional survivor annuity regulations. Your Employer survivor benefit that is equal to 50 percent of the amount you received while you were both living. You can designate a as your beneficiary. The annuity would need to be structured to provide a benefit while you are both alive and then to provide a the procedures established by your Employer to document your spouse's consent to waive the annuity and take the payment in

# How will my money be distributed to me if I request a payout from the Plan?

If you obtain the proper consents, you may choose from the following options for your payout.

- Lump sum
- Partial payments
- Installment payments
- invested in an annuity contract) Annuity contract (If assets are held in a custodial account) or converted to an income option (if your assets are

payout options. Please review the annuity contracts or custodial agreements before requesting a distribution and contact your Employer or the investment vendor if you have questions regarding your distribution options The Individual Agreements governing the investment options that you selected for your contributions may further restrict your

arrangement. Contact your Employer for information regarding rollover procedures. If your distribution is eligible to be rolled over, you may choose to have your distribution paid to another eligible retirement

### Do any penalties or restrictions apply to my payouts?

determining whether you qualify for a penalty exception. taxable portion of your payout. There are some exceptions to the 10 percent penalty. Your tax adviser can assist you in Generally, if you take a payout from the Plan before you are age 59½, a 10 percent early distribution penalty will apply to the

If your payout is eligible to be rolled over, 20 percent of the taxable portion of your payout will be withheld and remitted to the IRS as a credit toward the taxes you will owe on the payout amount unless you do a direct rollover.

over to another plan, but you choose not to roll it over directly, you will receive \$8,000 and \$2,000 will be remitted to the IRS. EXAMPLE: You request a \$10,000 payout from the pre-tax portion of your Plan balance. If the amount is eligible to be rolled

### Can I take a loan from the Plan?

Your Plan is designed to help you save for retirement and does not allow you to take a loan from the Plan

What if I die before receiving all of my money from the Plan?

important to review your designation from time to time and update it if your circumstances change (e.g., a divorce, death of a designate your beneficiary, you must follow the procedures established by your Employer. If you are married and decide to If you die before taking all of your assets from the Plan, the remaining balance will be paid to your designated beneficiary. To named beneficiary). name someone other than your spouse as your beneficiary, your spouse must consent in writing to your designation. It is

If you do not name a beneficiary, 50% of your balance will be paid to your spouse and 50% will be paid to your estate. If you different alternative is provided in the Individual Agreement. do not name a beneficiary and have no surviving spouse, your remaining balance in the Plan will be paid to your estate, unless a

spouse during your lifetime. Your beneficiary may also have the option of rolling their distribution into an IRA. The Individual be required to take the payouts in the form of a life annuity, unless the annuity has been properly waived by you and your the form of the distribution that are available to you as a Participant. If the balance is greater than \$5,000, your beneficiary may If your Plan balance is \$5,000 or less at the time of your death, your beneficiary will generally have the same options regarding options regarding the manner in which the accumulation will be distributed. Agreements governing the investment options that you selected for your contributions may further restrict your beneficiary's

option of (1) taking annual payments beginning the year following your death (or the year you would have reached age 70½, if distributions from the plan at least annually. If you die before beginning age 70½ payments, your beneficiary may have the provided they take the entire amount remaining during that fifth year. your spouse is your beneficiary), or (2) delaying their distribution until the year containing the fifth anniversary of your death, If you die after beginning age 70½ distributions, as described in the following question, your beneficiary must continue taking

### How long can I leave the money in my Plan?

How long you can leave your money in the Plan varies depending on your Plan balance and whether you are still employed.

#### Balance of \$1,000 or less

IRA), your Employer will distribute your Plan account as a lump sum terminate employment. If you do not tell your Employer what to do with your account under the Plan (e.g., roll it over to an If your vested balance at the time you terminate from employment is \$1,000 or less, you must take it out of the Plan when you

### Balance greater than \$1,000

If your balance is greater than \$1,000, even if you terminate service, you are not required to take a payout from the Plan until the age 70% required distribution rules apply to you

Rollover Contributions will be included in determining your balance for these purposes

### Age 70% Required Distributions

However, unless you own more than 5% of the Employer, you can delay required distributions until you actually separate from When you reach age 70½ you will generally need to begin taking a distribution each year based on your balance in the Plan.

from the Plan by aggregating all your 403(b) plans and taking the required minimum distribution from any one or more of the required distribution rules until you reach age 75. You may also have the option to satisfy your required minimum distribution service. Contributions for periods before 1987 (excluding earnings on those contributions) will generally not be subject to the individual 403(b) plans.

### What if the Plan is terminated?

annuity contract, you will receive a distribution of the contract. If the Plan is terminated, your entire account balance will be distributed from the Plan. To the extent you are invested in an

### INVESTING YOUR PLAN ACCOUNT

### What investments are permitted?

through a contract exchange. You should carefully review the Individual Agreements governing the annuity contracts and considers appropriate. Your Employer may restrict the list of vendors who may accept new contributions to the Plan and it may custodial account. The list of approved investment options and vendors may change from time to time as your Employer be available under the Plan. The investment options will be limited to annuity contracts and mutual funds purchased through a be different from the list of vendors and investment options available once the contributions have been made to the Plan custodial accounts, the prospectus, or other available information before making investment decisions. Your Employer (or someone appointed by your Employer) will select the investment vendors and investment options that will

# Who is responsible for selecting the investments for my contributions under the Plan?

a particular vendor or investment option is permitted under the Plan. If you do not select investments for your Plan account, the investment options, to the extent permitted by the Individual Agreements. Contact your Employer if you are not certain whether may select for new contributions to the Plan. You will have the ability to transfer your Plan balance among these vendors and that you must follow to select your investments. Your Employer will designate a list of vendors and investment options that you Employer will determine how your account will be invested You have the right to decide how your Plan balance will be invested. Your Employer will establish administrative procedures

in charge of the Plan will not be responsible for any losses that result from investment instructions given by you or your Act (ERISA), and Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations Section 2550.404c-1. This means that your Employer and others Your Employer intends to operate this Plan in compliance with Section 404(c) of the Employee Retirement Income Security

### How frequently can I change my investment elections?

You may change your initial investment selections as frequently as permitted under the Individual Agreements

# ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION AND RIGHTS UNDER ERISA

### Who established the Plan?

The official name of the Plan is Spelman College Defined Contribution Plan

The Employer who adopted the Plan is:

Spelman College 350 Spelman Lane SW, Box 1133 Atlanta, GA 30314 404-270-5091

Federal Tax Identification Number: 580566243

Fiscal Year End; 12/31

Your Employer has assigned Number 001 to the Plan.

The Plan is a 403(b) defined contribution plan, which means that contributions to the Plan made on your behalf (and earnings) will be separately accounted for within the Plan

### When did the Plan become effective?

01/01/1943. The effective date of this amended Plan is 01/01/2010. Your Employer has amended and restated the Spelman College Defined Contribution Plan which was originally adopted

However, special effective dates apply to the following Plan provisions

Eligibility for matching contributions and employer contributions will begin the first (1st) of the month following the completion of three (3) months of full time employment., effective 01/01/2010

## Who is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Plan?

accurately, your Employer may appoint others to act on its behalf or to perform certain functions. Your Employer is responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Plan. To assist in operating the Plan efficiently and

### Who pays the expenses associated with operating the Plan?

Employer will provide you with a summary of all Pian expenses and the method of payment of the expenses upon request. may pay expenses for current employees, but may deduct the expenses of former employees directly from their accounts. Your balance, if applicable. Finally, the Employer may, in its discretion, pay any or all of these expenses. For example, the employer distributions or loans (if applicable), qualified domestic relations orders, and your ability to direct the investment of your Plan expenses that may be directly related to you include, general recordkeeping fees and expenses related to processing your you and all other Plan participants or, for expenses directly related to you, charged against your account balance. Examples of paid from the assets of the Plan, to the extent permitted by the Individual Agreements. These expenses may be allocated among All reasonable Plan administration expenses including those involved in retaining necessary professional assistance, may be

### Does the Employer have the right to change the Plan?

plans. Your Employer also has the right to amend the Plan to add new features or to change or eliminate various provisions. An The Plan will be amended from time to time to incorporate changes required by the law and regulations governing retirement

vesting percentage that applies to your current balance in the Plan) Employer cannot amend the Plan to take away or reduce protected benefits under the Plan (e.g., the Employer cannot reduce the

# Does participation in the Plan provide any legal rights regarding my employment?

the Plan and if there are any inconsistencies between this Summary Plan Description and the Plan document, the Plan document under the Plan. The Plan document is the controlling legal document with respect to the operation of and rights granted under The purpose of the Summary Plan Description is to help you understand how the Plan operates and the benefits available to you The Plan does not intend to, and does not provide, any additional rights to employment or constitute a contract for employment

# Can creditors or other individuals request a payout from my Plan balance?

charge, a copy of the procedures your Employer will use for reviewing and qualifying domestic relations orders ensure that it meets certain criteria before any money is paid from your account. You (or your beneficiary) may obtain, at no to give a portion of your Plan account to an ex-spouse or legally separated spouse. Your Employer will review the order to A qualified domestic relations order is an order or decree issued by a court that requires you to pay child support or alimony or to this rule is that your Employer may distribute or reallocate your benefits in response to a qualified domestic relations order. Creditors (other than the IRS) and others generally may not request a distribution from your Plan balance. One major exception

#### How do I file a claim?

necessary examinations and take the steps to evaluate the claim. set forth the reasons you believe you are eligible to receive benefits and you must authorize the Employer to conduct any To claim a benefit that you are entitled to under the Plan, you must file a written request with your Employer. The claim must

### What if my claim is denied?

specific provisions of the Plan upon which the denial is based, and an explanation of the procedures for appeal of the denial within 90 days of the date your claim was filed. This notice will give you the specific reasons for the denial, the Except as described below, if your claim is denied, your Employer will provide you (or your beneficiary) with a written notice

the reason(s) for the extension and the date by which the Plan expects to make a decision regarding your claim. necessary due to matters beyond the control of the Plan. The Employer will notify you, before the end of the 45-day period, of claim. The 45-day time period may be extended by the Plan for up to 30 days if the Employer determines that an extension is be notified of a denial of your claim within a reasonable amount of time, but not later than 45 days after the Plan receives your In the case of a claim for disability benefits, if the Employer is making a determination of whether you are Disabled, you will

specifically explain the standards on which the approval of your claim will be based, the unresolved issues that prevent a which to provide the specified information. decision on your claim, and the additional information needed to resolve those issues. You will have at least 45 days within circumstances requiring the additional extension and the date as of which the Plan expects to make a decision. The notice will for an additional 30 days, provided that your Employer notifies you, before the end of the first 30-day extension, of the decision regarding your claim cannot be made within the 30-day extension, the period for making the decision may be extended If, before the end of the 30-day extension, your Employer determines that, due to matters beyond the control of the Plan, a

The period of time within which approval or denial of your claim is required to be made generally begins at the time your claim is sent to you and the date on which you provide the additional information. approving or denying your claim will not include the period of time between the date on which the notification of the extension is filed. If the period of time is extended because you fail to submit information necessary to decide your claim, the period for

following: Your Employer will provide you with written or electronic notification if your claim is denied. The notification will provide the

- i. The specific reason or reasons for the denial;
- ii. Reference to the specific section of the Plan on which the denial is based;
- processed and an explanation of why such information is necessary; iii. A description of any additional information that you must provide before the claim may continue to be
- including a statement of your right to bring a civil action under Section 502(a) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) following a claim denial on review; and A description of the Plan's review procedures and the time limits applicable to such procedures,
- relied upon in denying your claim, and that 2) a copy of the rule or guideline will be provided free of denying your claim, either 1) the specific rule or guideline, or a statement that the rule or guideline was charge to you upon request. v. In the case of a Plan providing disability benefits, if your Employer used an internal rule or guideline in

scientific or clinical basis for the denial, applying the terms of the Plan to your medical circumstances, or a statement that an explanation will be provided free of charge upon request. If the claim denial is based on a medical necessity, experimental treatment, or similar situation, either an explanation of the

### May I appeal the decision of the Employer?

Employer's decision. You may request that the review be in the nature of a hearing and an attorney may represent you You or your beneficiary will have 60 days from the date you receive the notice of claim denial in which to appeal your

However, in the case of a claim for disability benefits, if your Employer is deciding whether you are Disabled under the terms of the Plan, you will have at least 180 days following receipt of notification of a claim denial within which to appeal your Employer's decision.

pertaining to your claim provided, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to, and copies of, all documents, records, and other information You may submit written comments, documents, records, and other information relating to your claim. In addition, you will be

claim, even if the information was not included originally. Your appeal will take into account all comments, documents, records, and other information submitted by you relating to the

### If the claim is for disability benefits:

- fiduciary of the Plan other than the individual who denied your original claim or any of his or her Your claim will be reviewed independent of your original claim and will be conducted by a named
- experience in the field of medicine involved in the medical judgment; appropriate named fiduciary will consult with a health care professional who has appropriate training and ii. In deciding an appeal of a claim denial that is based in whole or in part on a medical judgment, the
- her employees. health care professional consulted for purposes of your appeal will not be the same person or any of his or in connection with your original claim, even if the claim denial was not based on his or her advice. The iii. Your Employer will provide you with the name(s) of the health care professional(s) who was consulted
- special circumstances requiring an extension and the date by which the Plan expects to make a decision processing the claim. If your Employer determines that an extension is required, written notice of the extension will be provided to you before the end of the initial 45-day period. The notice will identify the for the appeal, unless the Employer determines that special circumstances require an extension of time for iv. You will be notified of the outcome of your appeal no later than 45 days after receipt of your request regarding your claim.

Your Employer will provide you with written or electronic notification of the final outcome of your claim. The notification will

- i. A statement that you are entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to, and copies of, all documents, records, and other information relevant to your claim;
- Section 502(a) of ERISA; and obtain the information about such procedures, and a statement of your right to bring an action under ii. A statement describing any additional voluntary appeal procedures offered by the Plan, your right to
- guideline, or a statement that the rule or guideline was relied upon in denying your claim, and 2) that a copy of the rule or guideline will be provided free of charge to you upon request. iii. If the Employer used an internal rule or guideline in denying your claim, either 1) the specific rule or

scientific or clinical basis for the denial, applying the terms of the Plan to your medical circumstances, or a statement that an explanation will be provided free of charge upon request. If the claim denial is based on a medical necessity, experimental treatment, or similar situation, either an explanation of the

# If I need to take legal action with respect to the Plan, who is the agent for service of legal process?

Your Employer is the agent to be served with legal papers regarding the Plan.

# If the Plan terminates, does the federal government insure my benefits under the plan?

entire balance from the Plan following termination. If the Plan terminates, you will become fully vested in your entire balance under the Plan, even though you would not otherwise have a sufficient number of years of vesting service to be 100 percent vested in your balance. You will be entitled to take your

that insures certain pension plan benefits upon plan termination. The type of plan in which you participate is not insured by the Pension Benefit Guarantee Corporate, the government agency

## What are my legal rights and protections with respect to the Plan?

Participants shall be entitled to do the following. As a Participant in this Plan, you are entitled to certain rights and protections under ERISA. ERISA provides that all Plan

### Receive Information About Your Plan and Benefits

- and union halls, all Plan documents governing the Plan, including insurance contracts and collective bargaining agreements, and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) filed by the Plan with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security 1. Examine, without charge, at the Employer's office and at other specified locations, such as worksites
- 2. Obtain, upon request to the Employer, copies of documents governing the operations of the Plan, reasonable fee for the copies. including insurance contracts and collective bargaining agreements, and copies of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) and updated Summary Plan Description (SPD). The Employer may charge a
- 3. Receive a summary of the Plan's annual financial report. The Employer is required by law to furnish each Participant with a copy of this Summary Annual Report.
- this statement, but it must provide the statement free of charge. any) or the earliest date on which benefits will become vested. The Plan may require a written request for 4. Obtain, once a year, a statement of the total pension benefits accrued and the vested pension benefits (if

Prudent Actions by Plan Fiduciaries.

In addition to creating rights for Plan Participants, ERISA imposes duties upon the people who are responsible for the operation of the Plan. The people who operate your Plan, called "fiduciaries" of the Plan, have a duty to do so operation of the Plan. The people who operate your Plan, called "fiduciaries" of the Plan, have a duty to do so operation of the Plan. obtaining a pension benefit or exercising your rights under ERISA. your union, or any other person, may fire you or otherwise discriminate against you in any way to prevent you from prudently and in the interest of you and other Plan Participants and beneficiaries. No one, including your Employer,

#### Enforce Your Rights

If your claim for a benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you have a right to know why this was done, to

that Plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money, or if you are discriminated against for asserting your rights, you may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or you may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If you are successful, the court may order the person you have sued to pay the costs and fees. If you lose, the court may order you to pay these costs and fees, for example, if the court finds your obtain copies of documents relating to the decision without charge, and to appeal any denial, all within certain time schedules. Under ERISA, there are steps you may take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if you request a copy of Plan documents or the latest annual report from the Plan and do not receive them within 30 days, you may file suit or Federal court. In addition, if you disagree with the Plan's decision or lack there of concerning the qualified status of a domestic relations order or a medical child support order, you may file suit in Federal court. If it should happen Employer. If you have a claim for benefits which is denied, or ignored, in whole or in part, you may file suit in a state claim is frivolous a day until you receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may require the Employer to provide the materials and pay you up to \$110

### Assistance with Your Questions

statement or about your rights under ERISA, or if you need assistance in obtaining documents from the Employer, you should contact the nearest area office of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of hotline of the Employee Benefits Security Administration. may also obtain certain publications about your rights and responsibilities under ERISA by calling the publications Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington D.C. If you have any questions about your Plan, you should contact the Employer. If you have any questions about this abor, listed in your telephone directory or the Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries, Employee Benefits 20210. You

by making a written request to your Employer. Further, if this Plan is maintained by more than one Employer, you may obtain a complete list of all such Employers

#### DEFINITIONS

nondiscrimination testing, tax deductions) Compensation - The definition of Compensation under the Plan can vary depending upon the purpose (e.g., allocations,

cafeteria plan, a 401(k) plan, a salary deferral SEP plan, a 403(b) tax-sheltered annuity plan, a 457(b) deferred compensation on Form W-2. Compensation will include amounts that are not included in your taxable income that were deferred under a plan of a state or local government or tax-exempt employer, or transportation fringe benefits that you receive In general, the amount of your earnings from your Employer taken into account under the Plan is all earnings reported to you

The definition of Compensation used under the Plan has been further adjusted to exclude the following amounts

- Bonuses that you receive will not be considered Compensation.
- Overtime pay will not be included in the Compensation.
- any other form of pay outside the base pay. will not be considered Compensation.
- Amounts deemed to be compensation that relate to an automatic enrollment cafeteria plan where you fail to

provide proof of insurance will be excluded when determining your Compensation

If you receive payments from your Employer within 2 1/2 months after severing your employment, any regular pay for services Compensation as described below. you performed prior to severance will be included in Compensation. Other post-severance payments will affect your

- Compensation. Unused accrued sick, vacation or other leave that you are entitled to cash out will be excluded from
- Amounts received under a nonqualified unfunded deferred compensation program will be excluded from Compensation.

purposes of determining Plan contributions. See your Plan Administrator to determine if your Employer provides differential uniformed services for a period of more than 30 days, the pay will be considered additional Compensation paid to you for Effective 01/01/2009, if your Employer chooses to provide differential pay to you while you are on active duty with the

The measuring period for Compensation will be the Pian Year.

increases as the cost of living rises. The maximum amount of Compensation that will be taken into account under the Plan is \$245,000 (for 2010). This amount

Deferrals - Deferrals are the dollars you choose to contribute to the Pian through payroll deduction on pre-tax basis

determined physical or mental impairment that is expected to last at least 12 months. Disabled - You will be considered Disabled if you cannot engage in any substantial, gainful activity because of a medically

Early Retirement Age - There is no Early Retirement Age designated under the Plan.

appointed for all or some of the plan responsibilities. The term Employer, as used in this Summary Plan Description, will also mean Plan Administrator, as that term is used in ERISA. who is responsible for the day to day operations and decisions regarding the Plan, unless a separate Plan Administrator is Employer - The Employer is Spelman College. Your Employer will also serve as the Plan Administrator, as defined in ERISA,

Highly Compensated Employee - A Highly Compensated Employee is any employee who

- 1) was a five percent owner at any time during the year or the previous year, or
- 2) for the previous year had Compensation from the Employer greater than \$110,000 (for 2010)

The \$110,000 threshold is increased as the cost of living rises.

Hour of Service - An Hour of Service, for purposes of determining Plan eligibility, vesting and eligibility to receive Employer

contributions will be based on semi-monthly payroll periods worked (95 hours credited).

If your Employer continues a plan from a prior employer, you will receive credit for time that you worked for the predecessor

that apply to each Pian investment and may, in some cases, limit your options under the Plan, including your transfer and custodial accounts. The agreements between the vendor and your Employer or you that constitute or govern the annuity distribution rights. Individual Agreements - All contributions to the Plan will be invested either in annuity contracts or in mutual funds held in contracts and custodial accounts are referred to as Individual Agreements. The Individual Agreements explain the unique rules

Matching Contribution - Your Employer may make Matching Contributions to the Plan based on the amount of Deferrals you contribute to the Plan.

Normal Retirement Age - Age 65 is considered the Normal Retirement Age under the Plan.

Participant - An employee of the Employer who has satisfied the eligibility requirements and entered the Plan is referred to as

Plan - The Spelman College Defined Contribution Plan is the Plan described in this Summary Plan Description.

Plan efficiently and accurately, your Employer may appoint others to act on its behalf or to perform certain functions. Plan Administrator - Your Employer is responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Plan. To assist in operating the

Plan Year - The calendar year will serve as the Plan Year.

nondiscrimination tests that apply to the Pian. These contributions are discretionary and are 100 percent vested when made Qualified Nonelective Contribution -Your Employer may make Qualified Nonelective Contributions to satisfy certain

to as the Taxable Wage Base Taxable Wage Base - The Social Security Administration sets a contribution and benefit base level each year which is referred