

PLANNING FOR RETIREMENT

A Workshop

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Have you begun planning for retirement? No matter where you are in your career, you should already be thinking about retiring. If you are close to retirement, you should be thinking very hard about it. This workshop is for all faculty members, especially those who are faculty approaching retirement time soon.

The workshop leader is Jim Pope, a faculty member who retired three years ago from the University of Toledo after 40 years in academia. He will share his perspectives and experiences and lead a discussion on the issues.

The topics covered in the discussion include:

- Finances
 - How to prepare for retirement
 - What are the implications of your choices?
 - How do things change once you retire?

- Personal Life
 - What do you do with your time?
 - How does family life change?
 - What are the SWOTs?
 - What about your health?

- Professional Life
 - Will you keep teaching?
 - Will you keep doing research?
 - Will you still go to professional meetings?
 - Reflecting back upon your career.

Although everyone has a unique situation and will have different answers to these questions and points, retirement is much more easy and enjoyable if you have thought about them ahead of time.