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Defined Contribution Pension Plan Policy

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I. INTRODUCTION

- A. **Authority:** C.R.S. § 23-54-102, et seq. (2025) authorizes the Trustees of Metropolitan State University of Denver ("MSU Denver" or "University") to establish rules and regulations to govern and operate the University and its programs. The Trustees retain authority to approve, interpret, and administer policies pertaining to University governance. The Trustees authorize the President of MSU Denver to approve, administer, and interpret policies pertaining to University operations.
- B. **Purpose:** This policy authorizes MSU Denver to offer benefits-eligible University employees a defined contribution pension plan in accordance with C.R.S. §§ 24-54.5-101, *et seq.*
- C. **Scope:** This policy applies to benefits-eligible MSU Denver employees.

II. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. **Responsible Executive:** Chief Human Resources Officer
- B. **Responsible Administrator:** Chief Human Resources Officer
- C. **Responsible Office:** Human Resources Office
- D. **Policy Contact:** Chief Human Resources Officer, 303-605-7218



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III. POLICY STATEMENT

A. The University may offer to its benefits-eligible employees a Defined Contribution Pension Plan in accordance with C.R.S. §§ 24-54.5-101, et seq.

IV. RELATED INFORMATION

A. [C.R.S. §§ 24-54.5-101 Educational Employees' Optional Retirement Plan](#)

V. POLICY HISTORY

a) **Effective:** November 1, 2025

A. **Revised:** 2025 reviewed with no substantive changes; April 1, 2019, revision supersedes section 4.13 of the *MSCD Trustees Manual*, 2007.

b) **Original Enactment Date:** 2007

B. **Review:** This policy will be reviewed every five years or as deemed necessary by University leadership.

VI. POLICY APPROVAL

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