



2026 Benefits Seminars

For Graduate Assistants & Short-Term Academic Staff

Presented by: Office of Human Resources, Madison Benefits Services

If you are a grad assistant, scholar, fellow, post-doc, employee-in-training, or non-WRS academic staff member who is eligible to enroll in new employee benefits this fall:

- **You have 30 days from your benefits-eligible hire date to enroll in or decline (waive) insurance.**
- If we receive your health enrollment by the deadline, once processed your health insurance will begin as of the first day of the month on or following your eligible hire date.

If your date of eligible hire is	And you submit your health election on	Your health coverage will be effective on this date
07/01/2026	07/02/2026 – 07/31/2026	07/01/2026
07/02/2025	07/03/2026 – 08/01/2026	08/01/2026
07/15/2026	07/16/2026 – 08/14/2026	08/01/2026

- **Enroll online at my.wisc.edu > Workday > Benefits and Pay > Change Benefits**
 - You must set up an online My Benefits account: etf.wi.gov/my-benefits. Use a personal email address (not your work address).
 - If you do not see an enrollment option, contact your local HR office and ask them to assist you.

Attend a virtual Benefits Seminar to learn about benefits options:

DATE	TIME	PRE-REGISTER
Tuesday, July 7, 2026	1 – 2 p.m.	go.wisc.edu/47pnk7
Thursday, August 20, 2026	Noon – 1 p.m.	go.wisc.edu/06454j
Monday, August 24, 2026	3 – 4 p.m.	go.wisc.edu/72u5go
Friday, August 28, 2026	9 – 10 a.m.	go.wisc.edu/9p4q69
Wednesday, September 2, 2026	1 – 2 p.m.	go.wisc.edu/o0nqls

Or watch a recording of the Benefits Seminar to learn about benefits options:

hr.wisc.edu/benefits/grad