

# Today's Topics



Review Key Terms & Critical Concepts



Final Pay Request: System Steps



Resources



Best Practices and Q&A







Includes final hours worked, final entitlement usage and/or payout, flat dollar amounts, and/or severance pay. Issued on-cycle or off-cycle.
Used to submit single payroll transaction via Self Service Transaction Links page. Used to request Final Pay, Overpayments and Off-Cycle checks.
Refers to processing payments and making corrections to finalized, payroll results outside of the normal payroll schedule.
Monies paid in error resulted from timesheet error, erroneous compensation rate, coding error on job record, severance repayment, erroneous payment to unpaid leave of absence, benefits deduction errors, FICA corrections, etc.
An amount withheld from an employee's for example: insurance premium, benefit, investment account, voluntary wage deductions to satisfy an overpayment, etc.
Schedule used to process payroll for each pay group/cycle. Standard across all locations on UCPath. The Schedule is located on UCPath online.
Active Status denotes an active employee. Inactive Status denotes a terminated, retired or deceased employee.
Controls paycheck creation. Active or Leave with Pay Status means the employee is active for payroll. Terminated, Retired, Short Work Break, Leave of Absence or Deceased means the employee is not active for payroll.

## Final Pay vs Final Pay Request



**Final Pay** is the last paycheck the employee will receive for their job. It can be issued on cycle or off cycle and may require a *final pay request* to be submitted to have it issued correctly.

A **Final Pay Request** is a **Payroll Request** transaction that is submitted to UCPath Center to provide information to be included on the employee's final pay.

Situations that require a Final Pay Request:

- 1 Involuntary Termination
- 2 Employee is represented and off cycle final pay is part of their contract
- 3 Employee has accruals that need to be paid out
- Employee is unable to report all hours worked/leave used in Time & Attendance



If **any** of these are true then you will need to submit a **Final Pay Request** 



If **none** of these are true then you **DO NOT** need to submit a Final Pay
Request. The employee will receive
their Final Pay as their last on-cycle
paycheck



# Final Pay Request: Off Cycle vs On Cycle



- The Off-Cycle Check box automatically defaults based on the termination type and whether the employee is represented
- Transactors cannot check or uncheck this box



O	ff Cycle (Box Checked)	On Cycle (Box NOT Checked)
•	Involuntary Termination	<ul> <li>Voluntary Termination/Retirement:</li> </ul>
•	Voluntary Termination/Retirement:	<ul> <li>Not Represented</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Represented, with a Union Code that</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Represented, with a Union Code that</li> </ul>
	requires off cycle final pay	does not require off cycle final pay

Enter earnings for Off-Cycle final pay:

#### **EXEMPT**

- Enter Percent Salary that the employee is due
- Salary % = (Standard Hours associated with Earnings Dates / Total Working Hours for the Month) x FTE

**UCPath Monthly Working Hours Calendar** 

Navigation: Quicklinks > Payroll Resources > Location Users - Administrators > Payroll Processing Schedules & Working Hours > Working Hours Calendar

#### **NON-EXEMPT**

- Include hours, day-by-day, for all days worked during the final pay period(s)
- Enter one row per day

**NOTE:** Pay End Date auto-populates based on the current pay period and cannot be updated. If hours worked are for after this pay period end date, include the details (earn code, day and hours) in the initiator comments.

# UCPath Monthly Working Hours Calendar





### **UCPath**

#### 2022 UCPath Monthly Working Hours Calendar

Year Month	Dates of Holidays	Working Days in Month	Working Hours in Month	1/2 of Working Hours
2022 January	17	21	168	84
2022 February	21	20	160	80
2022 March	25	23	184	92
2022 April		21	168	84
2022 May	30	22	176	88
2022 June	20	22	176	88
2022 July	4	21	168	84
2022 August		23	184	92
2022 September	5	22	176	88
2022 October		21	168	84
2022 November	11, 24, 25	22	176	88
2022 December	23, 26, 30	22	176	88
2022 September 2022 October 2022 November	11, 24, 25	22 21 22	176 168 176	88 84 88

The Total Working Hours for the Month will be: 160, 168, 176 or 184

UCPath Monthly Working Hours Calendar (Quicklinks > Payroll Resources > Location Users - Administrators > Payroll Processing Schedules & Working Hours > Working Hours Calendar)



# Final Pay Request: Salary % Calculation Example



Salary % =

(Standard Hours associated with Earnings Dates / Total Working Hours for the Month) x FTE

- Example: Voluntary Termination of a 50% FTE Monthly Exempt Employee who is represented by a union that requires off-cycle final pay. Last day worked is June 15, 2022.
  - Standard hours associated with 6/1/22-6/15/22 = 11 working days x 8 hours = 88 hours
  - Total Working Hours for the Month of June 2022 = 176 hours
  - Salary % = (88 / 176) x 0.50 FTE = 0.25 = 25%

### Final Pay Request | Leaves Tab



- Enter leave usage for:
  - Employees (exempt and non-exempt) who have used leaves that <u>will not</u> be captured in the on-cycle payroll processing
  - Enter one row per day
- Enter Comp Time Payout, if applicable
  - For On Cycle Final Pay, Comp Time Payouts can be done through Timekeeping
  - For Off Cycle Final Pay, enter Comp Time Payouts using the applicable Payout codes, see job aid
- Check the Payout Accruals box, if appropriate

If no leave hours are used you must explicitly state that in the comments or transaction may be delayed.

### Final Pay Request Comments Template



Initiator Comments: |Last day on paid status: 04/30/2022 Termination Transaction ID: T000123456 Auto Termination Date: N/A New outstanding balances: EEMGLN \$3.500.00 PR00123456 Overpayment - PR00123123

Submit

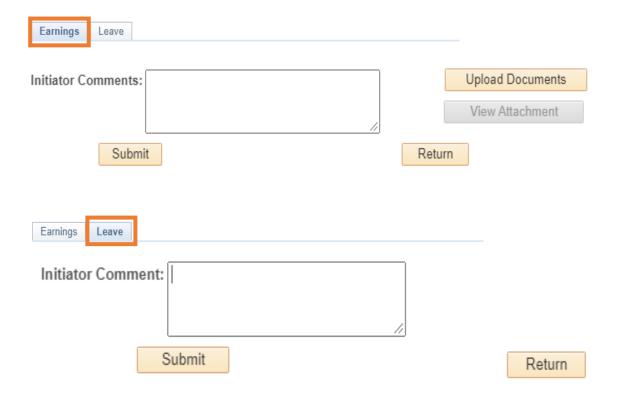
#### **Information Required by UCPath:**

- Last day on paid status: MM/DD/YYYY
- Termination Transaction ID:
- Auto Termination Date:
- New outstanding balances:
  - [Deduction code] \$ [Dollar amount] [PR] Transaction Number
  - [Overpayment PR Transaction Number]

## Final Pay Request Comments



#### Comments are critical for final pay requests. Additional info to consider including:



- Details of time worked outside of current pay period (days and hours worked)
- If employee earns Additional Pay, list
   Earn Code(s) and amount(s)
- Any issues with the Calc Salary, include reasoning/math
- Explicit statement that employee did not use any accruals, if applicable
- Instructions for any special handling

Job Aid: How to Request Final Pay for Exempt Employees

Job Aid: How to Request Final Pay for Non-Exempt Employees

# Final Pay Request

- Pre Process
- System Steps
- Next Steps



#### **Pre-Process**



Termination/Retirement Template must be locally approved before submitting Final Pay request

Employees on an unpaid leave of absence or short work break (SWB) will need to be returned from inactive payroll status prior to termination in order for final pay to be issued

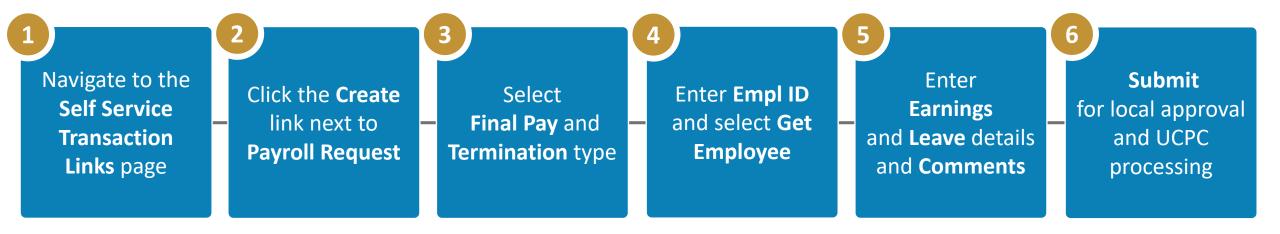
If employee has multiple job records and is terminating from all records, a final pay request must be completed for each employee record that has associated compensation

Have information ready to complete the final pay request

Final pay is distributed however the employee normally receives their pay – either via direct deposit or paper paycheck mailed to the home address on file.

# System Steps: Final Pay Request





**REMEMBER**: A termination template transaction must be locally approved <u>prior</u> to submitting a Final Pay transaction

# Final Pay Request | Select Employee

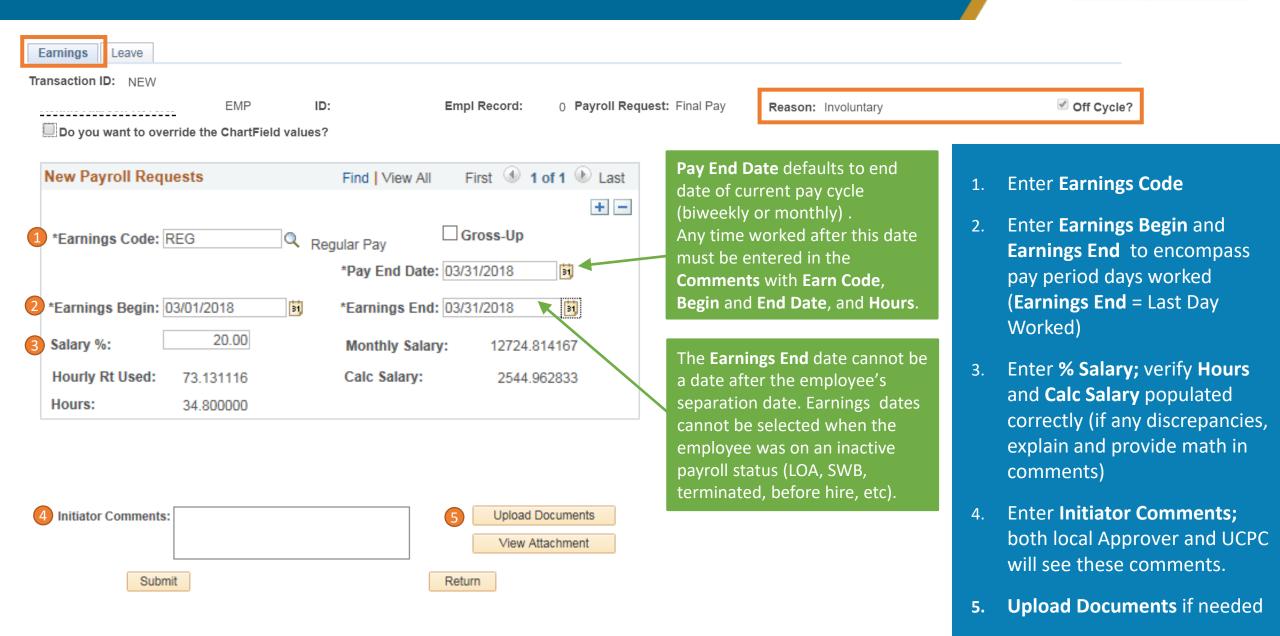


#### Payroll Requests Payroll Request Type \*Payroll Request: Final Pay Retirement v Termination Type: **Employee Selection Criteria** Empl ID: Empl Rcd: Last Name: First Name: **Business Unit:** Department: Job Code: For Employees with multiple jobs, verify the Empl Record, and select the desired Get Employees Return record. Personalize | Find | View All | 2 | 1 of 1 (h) Last Positi Empl Status Name **Business Unit** Empl ID Action Reason Code Effective Date Record Numb Retired RET SDCMP RET 06/30/2021

- Select Payroll Request = Final Pay
- 2. Select **Termination Type**
- . Enter EMPL ID
- 4. Click **Get Employees**
- 5. After results are displayed, click the **employee's name** to proceed to the request page

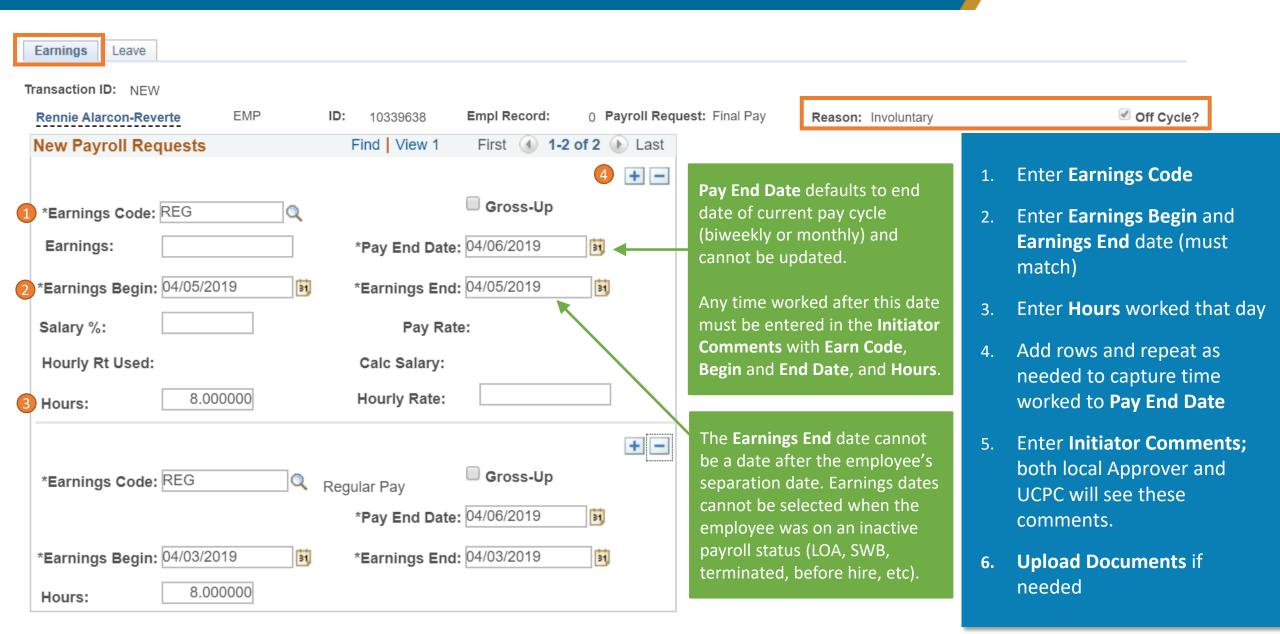
# Final Pay Request | Earnings Detail - Exempt





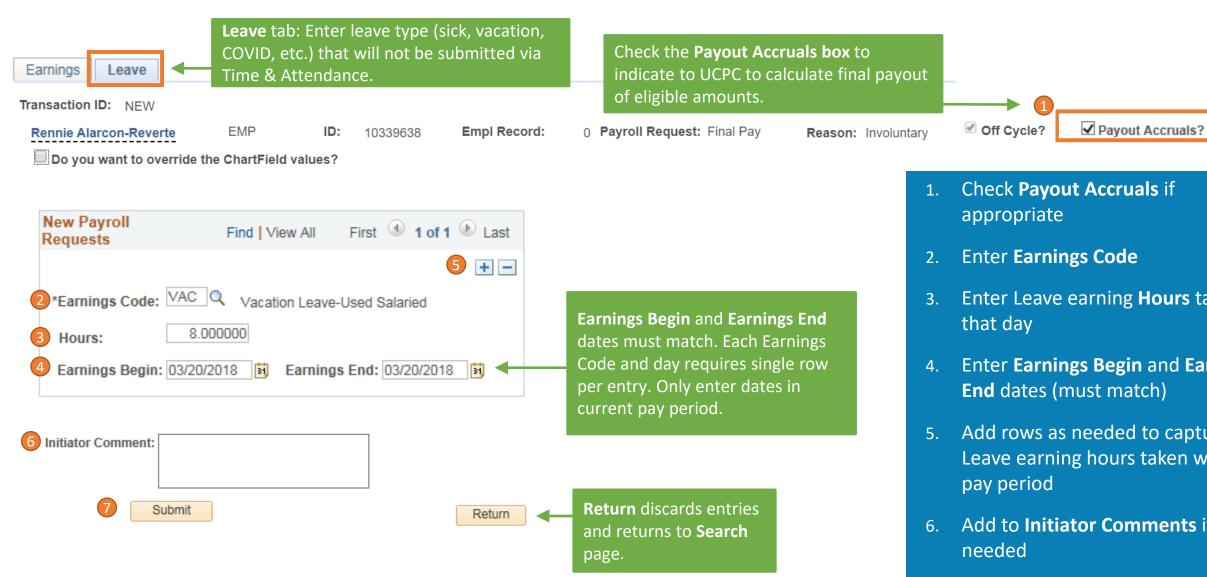
## Final Pay Request | Earnings Detail – Non-Exempt





## Final Pay Request | Leave Detail





- Check Payout Accruals if
- **Enter Earnings Code**
- Enter Leave earning Hours taken
- Enter Earnings Begin and Earnings **End** dates (must match)
- Add rows as needed to capture Leave earning hours taken within
- Add to **Initiator Comments** if
- Click Submit

### **Next Steps**



Check the Off-cycle
Dashboard on UCPath
Online to monitor the status
of the final pay request

**Check the Review Paycheck Summary** 

Page to see finalized payment details the employee will receive

1

- Processing is daily except for UC holidays and Pay Confirm days
- Payroll Requests (E -078) received by 2:00pm will be processed on the next business day
- Payroll Requests (E -078) received after 2:00pm will be processed within two business days
- Check issue date will be 2 days from processing date
- Pay will be received however the employee normally receives pay (direct deposit or paper paycheck)

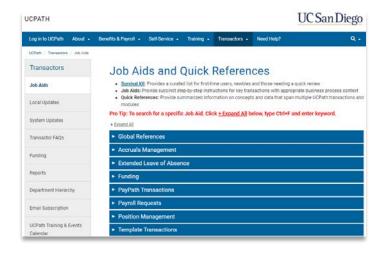
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 Available the day after the Pay Confirm Date listed on the Payroll Processing Calendar for the applicable pay period

#### Resources

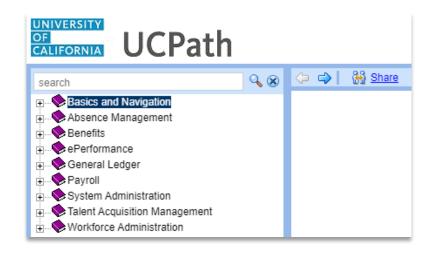


#### **UC San Diego Job Aids and Quick References**



- How to Request Final Pay for Exempt Employees
- How to Request Final Pay for Non-Exempt Employees

#### **UCPath Help Site for Transactional Users**



- Submit Final Pay Request
- Approve Final Pay Transaction
- •Job Aid: Termination and Final Pay





Termination/Retirement
Templates must be submitted
and locally approved before
Final Pay Request

 UCPath Center will not process the Final Pay Request if the Termination/Retirement Template has not been locally approved



# Coordinate with other departments as needed

If an employee has multiple jobs and is terminating for each of them, a final pay request must be completed for each employee record that has associated compensation and coordination between departments may be required



#### **Comments are critical**

- Final Pay Request Comments Template
- Consider if there is additional information that needs to be included







# Off Cycle Final Pay: Check the DO NOT PAY box in Ecotime

- For off-cycle final pay, make sure you check the DO NOT PAY box in Ecotime so hours are not sent with the regular on-cycle I-181 file
- If the Final Pay is off-cycle, UCPC cannot refer to the regular time files, so you will need to enter all earnings on the final pay request



# Do not forget to check the Payout Accruals box

 If the box is not checked and the employee has accruals to be paid out, it will be distributed on a separate check and there will be tax implications for the employee



# Additional Pay is calculated by UCPC

- Enter comments on Final Pay Request
- Review PayPath to confirm:
- ✓ Prorate box is checked
- ✓ The End Date is the Last Day Worked

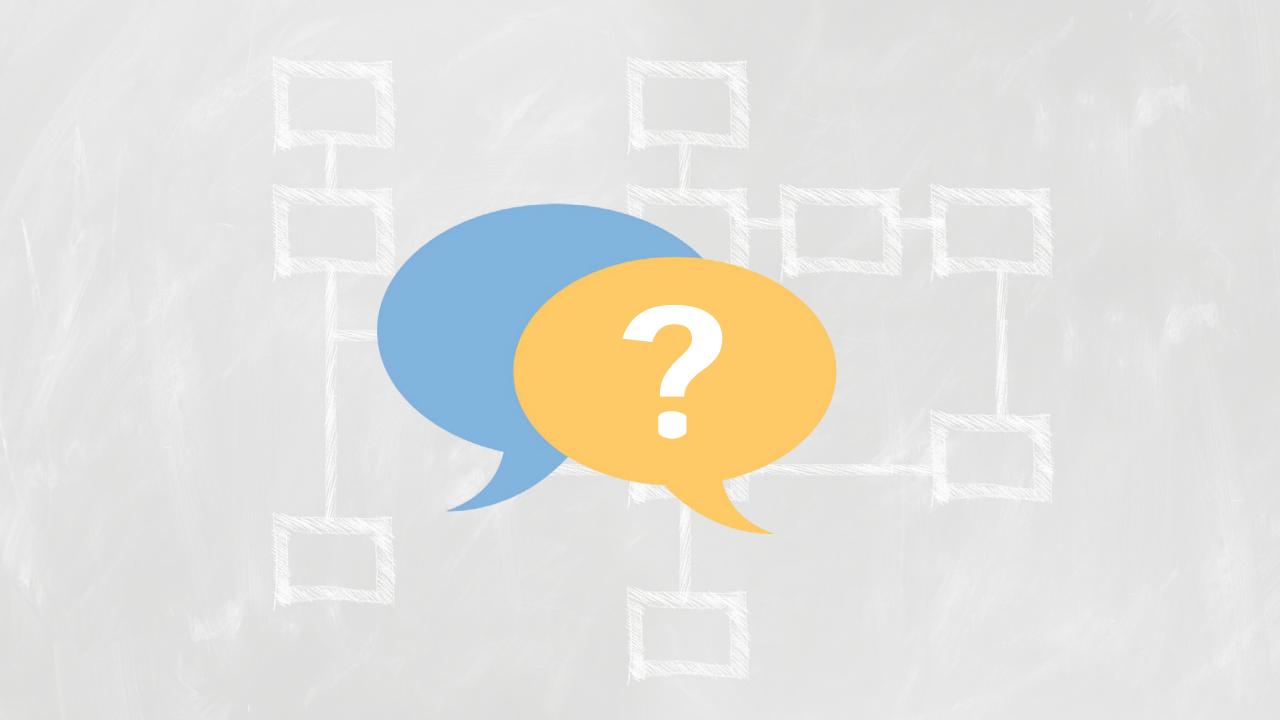




#### Review key resources as often as you need to

- How to Request Final Pay for Exempt Employees
- How to Request Final Pay for Non-Exempt Employees
- Submit Final Pay Request
- Approve Final Pay Transaction
- Job Aid: Termination and Final Pay







- Does this Final Pay apply to TES employees earned vacation time? TES go through a different process because they are floaters. Check with TES about your TES employees.
- Does the payout accruals box pay all accruals out (comp and vacation)? I'm a little confused how that is paid out if they don't use any comp time and need to be paid out. No, comp time is a location owned balance so it is not included in the "Pay Out Accruals check box calculation". It either needs to be paid out through Timekeeping or listed out on a row in the leaves tab of the final pay request. Use the applicable comp time payout codes listed on the final pay job aids on our job aids page <a href="https://ucpath.ucsd.edu/transactors/job-aids.html">https://ucpath.ucsd.edu/transactors/job-aids.html</a>
- For entering Comp Time payout using Timekeeping (EcoTime), how would we do that? Please refer to the Ecotime Quick Guide: Comp Time Payout - Reviewing and Initiating Available on Ecotime's Blink page https://blink.ucsd.edu/finance/payroll/timekeeping/ecotime/training.html#Quick-Guides
- Can you please share the link with earn codes? The Earn Codes link can be found on https://ucpath.universityofcalifornia.edu/pages/payroll-configuration-codes
- To be used in combination with this job aid: https://sp.ucop.edu/sites/ucpathhelp/LocationUsers/LOCplayer/index.html?Guid=b61d4314-0319-476e-93f1-2c61195466b7



- Can we issues additional z payments after end date? such a incentives for Faculty, etc? For questions
  about academic compensation contact academic compensation contact SME Kelly Maheu
- Sorry if I missed it, but there was an email with a list of items that need to be included in the Comments on Final Pay requests. Can you review those? Check out our <u>local final pay job aids</u> and the <u>UCPath Help Site Job Aid: Termination and Final Pay</u>
- For monthly exempt final pay: Are paid holidays part of the calculation for %paid? For example final day is 6/22 how does the 6/20 paid holiday factor into the calculation? For exempt employees the holiday hours are captured in their monthly salary. The total working hours of the month only includes the working days/hours. For the final pay calculation you only need to factor in the working hours included in the earning period. If you would like walk through the Salary % calculation for your specific situation please schedule a 1:1 appointment at: <a href="https://calendly.com/ucpathtransactionsupport">https://calendly.com/ucpathtransactionsupport</a>
- There was a glitch previously where we had to add 1 hour of pay on the Leaves tab in order to do an accrual payout, and then add a comment that we are just paying out accruals and to ignore the 1 hour entered. Do we still need to do this? Yes, a recent change updated the system to allow additional earning codes when submitting payouts. This change also made the "hours" field required when the "payout accruals" box is checked. If no hours are entered, transactor will receive an error message. UCPath will continue to calculate the hours until a future change request auto-populates this field. In the meantime, enter "1" in the "hours" field to submit the transaction. We will remove this guidance from the Job Aid when this defect is fixed.



- Do we have to enter holidays into the earnings tab? If so, what is the earnings code? Depends on your employee type. HOL, HLP and HLS is entered on the Earnings tab, HLN is entered on the Leaves tab.
- If vacation time used is reported in EcoTime, say for June, and the employee's Final Pay, payout accruals is requested and will be paid on time for PPE 6/30, will the system know to deduct the vacation time used from EcoTime, or does this vacation time used need to be entered in UCPath in Final Pay? For On Cycle final pay yes.
- Postdocs are represented, but their contract does not require off-cycle final pay. In my past
  experience, the off-cycle checkbox automatically checks itself anyway. In such cases, since we cannot
  uncheck the box, do we simply write in the comments "please issue final pay on-cycle"? Yes.
- One of our employees let us know that they reported 6/30/2022 as their anticipated LDW with the RASC, to ensure there are no issues that means we would need to submit our UCP retirement transaction effective 7/1 with LDW 6/30 to match RASC's records correct? The employee is ok with potentially not receiving the COLA benefit if we use these dates. Refer to Retirement Transaction Process for July 1 Retirement Date job aid and RASC determines eligibility and if they are aware that the 6/30/22 LDW and the employee is aware that they will not receive the inactive COLA then it sounds like the key parties are agreeing to this.



- I'm new, so forgive me, but I'm still confused if I need to issue a Final Pay Request. I have a Faculty who is separating at the end of the month. I have already submitted the voluntary termination transaction. Nothing applies to her status except she is represented. I'm not sure that off cycle is part of their contract. I called UC Path and I was told yes but if she's separating on 6/30/22, would she be paid on cycle? And do I need to submit a final pay request? If the employee is represented and an off cycle final pay is required according to their contract then the off cycle check box will be checked on the final pay request. A quick way to check is by going into the final pay request and taking a look at the off cycle check box to see if it is checked/unchecked.
- UCPath has some positives but has introduced a degree of unpredictability. We frequently feel that UCPath advises things that are contradicted in the Job Aids or different UCPath reps advise different (and sometimes contradictory) direction. We are all adapting to this new system but the uncertainties make it difficult. When you notice discrepancies in processing/answers provided by UCPC please open a SNOW ticket and reference the UCPC inquiry number so we can bring this up to our UCPC liaison. As of May 27, UCPath has 40 vacancies out of a budgeted headcount of 413. Of 83 hires this fiscal year, 40 are internal UCPath hires, which resulted in additional vacancies. Check out UCPath new Metrics Dashboard to see metrics for service targets and turnaround times you can also filter by the type of transaction/cases. <a href="https://sp.ucop.edu/sites/UCPathLoc/Metrics">https://sp.ucop.edu/sites/UCPathLoc/Metrics</a> and <a href="https://sp.ucop.edu/sites/UCPathLoc/Metrics">UCPath Metrics Site job aid</a>
- Where is the off cycle dashboard, please? Quicklinks > Offcycle Dashboard