

# Michigan Public Schools Employees Retirement System (MPERS) Questionnaire

In December 1995, House Bill 4047 was passed by the Michigan Legislature. This Act amended the Michigan Public School Employee Retirement System (MPERS) to exclude university employees from participating in the MPERS retirement plan if they had not performed MPERS university membership service before January 1, 1996. This legislation was effective March 28, 1996. However, if an employee hired on or after March 28, 1996 has prior employment and MPERS membership prior to January 1, 1996 with one of the seven MPERS universities, he/she may be enrolled in MPERS. To help us determine your eligibility for MPERS, please complete this MPERS questionnaire.

If you have MPERS university service prior to January 1, 1996, Ferris will review your eligibility to enroll in MPERS. If you are not able to enroll in MPERS you may have the opportunity to enroll in the University provided retirement plan, based on your employee classification.

If you have any questions, please call our Benefits team at (231) 591-3874 or email HRBenefits@ferris.edu.

Employee Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

1.) Have you ever been a member of the MPERS system prior to January 1, 1996, while working at any of the following 7 Universities:

- Ferris State University
- Central Michigan University
- Eastern Michigan University
- Lake Superior State University
- Michigan Technological University
- Northern Michigan University
- Western Michigan University

**NOTE: For this question, no other MPERS enrollment is valid (i.e. employment in K-12 schools, community colleges, colleges/universities of higher education other than the ones specified above).**

No       Yes. If yes, please provide the following information:

University(s) above of prior MPERS employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

2.) Are you a retiree **and** receiving pension benefits from **any** MPERS system (K-12, other colleges/universities, etc.)?

No       Yes

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employee Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If yes on either question copy provided to benefits