Department of Physics Policy on Teaching Buy-Out

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The Department of Physics recognizes faculty's need to take time off from teaching on special occasions, in order to devote more effort to other aspects of their professional careers. When such a need arises, a faculty member should submit a written proposal to the Head that outlines the circumstance, as well as the source of funding that would support the proposed teaching buy-out. With approval from the Head, the faculty member may take one semester off teaching, provided that he/she contributes 1/4 of his/her academic-year salary (plus fringe benefits and overhead) to the department.

Eligibility

The Head will consider requests of teaching buy-out from all faculty members in the Department of Physics. If provisional approval is deemed critical to a proposal, communication with the Head should be made as soon as possible, preferably in the early planning stage of the proposal.

Obligations

Teaching buy-out is not sabbatical leave. During the period of teaching buy-out, the faculty member is still expected to perform the assigned non-teaching duties.