Redbook - Sabbatical Leaves

Sec. 4.3.5 Sabbatical Leave

The sabbatical leave is recognized as a serious professional responsibility and shall be utilized for activities that will improve the faculty member's contribution to the University's missions. A tenured faculty member who has six contract years of full-time service at the University of Louisville may petition for a sabbatical leave of absence for one-half contract year on full pay or for one contract year on one-half pay. Faculty members on twelve-month appointments may receive six months of leave with full pay or twelve months' leave with one-half pay. No more than one year of leave, as defined in Sec. 4.3.6 and 4.3.7, may be counted as years of service toward sabbatical leave. The University shall make every effort to approve all appropriate applications. Sabbatical leave shall be granted only upon the approval of the dean (and the Executive Vice President for Health Affairs, where appropriate), the Executive Vice President and University Provost, and the President. No leave will be granted without the guarantee of at least one year of continued full-time service after return from the sabbatical leave.