

## **INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE VISITING FELLOWS**

Visiting Fellows frequently ask for information about the availability of medical insurance and the accessibility of housing while they are visiting Princeton University. The University has made provisions to assist visitors with these matters.

Visiting Fellows with an appointment of at least 50% time or more for five months or more are eligible for coverage under a University medical plan. You will have 31 days from your appointment start date to elect medical plan coverage for yourself and/or your eligible dependents. If you do not make an election you will be defaulted into the High Deductible Plan with employee only coverage (no prescription plan and a \$5,000 deductible). Upon your arrival, the Human Resources Office will provide you with a package of benefits information. This package will contain detailed information regarding your medical plan options, monthly cost information, and instructions on how to enroll or waive the coverage. Please review this information carefully, and if you have any questions, you may contact the Benefits team within the Office of Human Resources at 609-258-3302 or via email [benefits@princeton.edu](mailto:benefits@princeton.edu). You may also view our web site for additional information at <http://www.princeton.edu/hr/benefits/>.

### **Special Medical Plan Information for Visiting Fellows on a J1-Visa**

Health insurance for J1 Scholars and their dependents is a requirement for participation in the Exchange Visitor Program. Therefore, Visiting Fellows on a J1-Visa are eligible to elect medical plan coverage, regardless of their duty time or length of appointment. The University provides three different options for medical plan coverage for J1-Visa holders. You will have 31 days from your appointment start date to elect coverage for yourself and/or your eligible dependents. If you do not make an election, you will be defaulted into the J1-Visa Plan with employee only coverage. Upon your arrival, the Human Resources Office will provide you with a package of benefits information. This package will contain detailed information regarding your medical plan options, monthly cost information, and instructions on how to enroll or waive the coverage. Please review this information carefully, and if you have any questions, you may contact the Benefits team with the Office of Human Resources at 609-258-3302 or via email [benefits@princeton.edu](mailto:benefits@princeton.edu). You may also view our web site for additional information at <http://www.princeton.edu/hr/benefits/>.

### **Housing Information**

Princeton is a small town with limited rental opportunities. The University maintains a number of rental housing units chiefly for its faculty and staff. Some of these are furnished and are available for short-term rental. There are, however, too few of these units to meet the needs of all Visiting Fellows. The Department through which you are appointed may be able to assist with housing arrangements. The Manager of Faculty and Staff Housing can furnish information about University housing, possibly including some subletting opportunities. Inquiries should be addressed to: Manager, Faculty and Staff Housing, 5 New South Building, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey 08544 or via email [fshsg@princeton.edu](mailto:fshsg@princeton.edu). The University cannot, however, assume responsibility for providing housing.