# Annual Salary Survey, Longwood University, March 2010 

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Midyear salary increases for faculty announced. 35\% of continuing faculty received equity salary increases in February 2010, making salary news not as dismal as we expected this year. The average faculty salary (including the new equity increases) is $\$ 60,746$, up $1.7 \%$ from last year. Increases for continuing faculty were skewed right. Slightly over half of the faculty received no increase (so the median increase was $0 \%$ ), but the remaining faculty did get increases, bringing the mean increase for continuing faculty to $2.36 \%$. The situation was much the same for administrators (median increase $0 \%$, mean increase 1.63\%) and athletic personnel (median 0\%, mean 4.78\%).

How did this happen, since the state didn't give us any more salary money? Some people got promotions, which carry automatic increases. Some had their job titles changed. Money is freed up each year when relatively higher paid faculty retire or leave Longwood. Finally, some people are able, due to market or other factors, to negotiate increases even in the worst of times.

It was a good year for equity increases, particularly for the senior faculty. There were two rounds of equity raises. In December, two faculty, eight administrators, and one athletic person received equity adjustments. More money was freed up in February, and the decision was made to increase the salaries of many senior faculty in an effort to get their salaries nearer the nationwide averages by discipline. Indeed, $64 \%$ of full professors, $63 \%$ of associate professors, $11 \%$ of assistant professors, and one lecturer received upward adjustments ranging from $\$ 500$ to $\$ 6400$, effective February 10. No non-faculty person received a February raise. By college, 62\% of the College of Business and Economics faculty received equity adjustments, as compared to $30 \%$ of the faculty in the College of Education and Human Services and 38\% of the Cook-Cole College of Arts and Sciences faculty.

However, we still fell behind the increase in the cost of living, even with the raises. Here are the figures for changes in the cost of living over the past decade, as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

| Year | Av. faculty salary | \% change | CPI \% change |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $2009-10$ | $\$ 60,746$ | $1.7 \%$ | $2.7 \%$ |
| $2008-9$ | $\$ 59,736$ | $0.01 \%$ | $0.1 \%$ |
| $2007-8$ | $\$ 59,730$ | $4.3 \%$ | $4.1 \%$ |
| $2006-7$ | $\$ 57,277$ | $4.4 \%$ | $2.5 \%$ |
| $2005-6$ | $\$ 54,869$ | $4.1 \%$ | $3.4 \%$ |


| $2004-5$ $\$ 52,717$ $3.2 \%$ $3.3 \%$ <br> $2003-4$ $\$ 51,091$ $1.1 \%$ $1.9 \%$ <br> $2002-3$ $\$ 50,545$ $1.6 \%$ $2.4 \%$ <br> $2001-2$ $\$ 49,752$ $-0.3 \%$ $1.6 \%$ <br> $2000-1$ $\$ 49,910$ $0.8 \%$ $3.4 \%$ |
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Longwood salaries continued to lag far behind salaries at our sister Virginia universities and our benchmark institutions last year. The following figures are from 2008-9, since current year's figures are not available yet for other schools. They are taken from Academe and are self-reported by the institutions.

Longwood Salary Average Compared to Averages at Other State Senior Institutions (200809)

| University of Virginia | $\$ 103,000$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| College of William and Mary | 89,400 |
| George Mason University | 88,400 |
| Virginia Tech | 88,000 |
| Virginia Commonwealth University | 78,000 |
| Virginia Military Institute | 73,600 |
| Old Dominion University | 73,400 |
| Christopher Newport University | 68,100 |
| James Madison University | 67,600 |
| University of Mary Washington | 65,400 |
| Norfolk State University | 65,000 |
| Radford University | 64,200 |
| Longwood University | $\mathbf{5 9 , 2 0 0}$ |

Not reporting: University of Virginia at Wise, Virginia State University

## Longwood Salary Average Compared to Averages at SCHEV Benchmark Institutions (2008-09)

| Trinity University (Tex.) | $\$ 79,500$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Rollins College (Fla.) | 76,200 |
| Shippensburg University of Pa. | 76,100 |
| Monmouth University (N.J.) | 75,700 |
| California State University-Bakersfield | 74,100 |
| Eastern Connecticut State University | 72,700 |
| Elon University (N.C.) | 70,200 |
| University of Tampa (Fla.) | 67,500 |
| Seattle Pacific University (Wa.) | 67,500 |
| SUNY-College at Geneseo | 67,100 |
| Valparaiso University (Ind.) | 66,700 |
| Butler University (Ind.) | 66,500 |
| Salisbury University (Md.) | 65,300 |


| Marist College (N.Y.) | 65,200 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Westfield College (Mass.) | 65,000 |
| SUNY-College at Plattsburgh | 64,700 |
| Berry College (Ga.) | 63,000 |
| Abilene Christian University (Tex.) | 61,700 |
| Pacific Lutheran University (Wa.) | 61,400 |
| King’s College (Pa.) | 61,200 |
| Truman State University (Mo.) | 59,600 |
| Longwood University | $\mathbf{5 9 , 2 0 0}$ |
| University of Wisconsin-Parkside | 57,400 |

Not reporting: University of Texas-Permian Basin, Winthrop University (S.C.)

The State of Virginia has long had the goal of the average faculty salary at each state school reaching or exceeding the $60^{\text {th }}$ percentile of its benchmark institutions. (However, the State has never provided sufficient funding to reach that goal!) Longwood's position relative to its peer institutions, using AAUP National Faculty Salary data as reported for 2008-9, is at the $4^{\text {th }}$ percentile. (One of 23 , or $4 \%$, has a lower average salary.) SUNY Geneseo is at the $60^{\text {th }}$ percentile with 13 institutions below. In order for Longwood to be at the $60^{\text {th }}$ percentile, the average faculty salary would need to be higher than SUNY Geneseo's average of \$67,100 (assuming no change in average faculty salaries for the remaining institutions).

## NUMBERS OF FULL TIME EMPLOYEES, 1993-2009

For the first time in years, the total number of Longwood employees declined this year.

| Year |  | Student |  |  | A/P |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Faculty | Athletic | Service | Library | Admin | Classified | Total |
| 93-94 | 151 | 12 | 20 | 7 | 33 | 243 | 466 |
| 94-95 | 153 | 13 | 20 | 7 | 33 | 232 | 458 |
| 95-96 | 157 | 13 | 23 | 7 | 29 | 225 | 454 |
| 96-97 | 158 | 13 | 21 | 7 | 29 | 228 | 456 |
| 97-98 | 158 | 15 | 25 | 7 | 32 | 223 | 460 |
| 98-99 | 165 | 15 | 22 | 6 | 35 | 236 | 479 |
| 99-00 | 164 | 14 | 29 | 6 | 38 | 248 | 499 |
| 00-01 | 169 | 17 | 30 | 7 | 44 | 245 | 512 |
| 01-02 | 171 | 14 | 30 | 7 | 48 | 253 | 523 |
| 02-03 | 171 | 17 | 26 | 7 | 43 | 250 | 514 |
| 03-04 | 183 | 21 | 25 | 5 | 51 | 233 | 518 |
| 04-05 | 194 | 31 | 26 | 6 | 52 | 233 | 542 |
| 05-06 | 200 | 31 | 29 | 5 | 56 | 260 | 581 |
| 06-07 | 200 | 34 | 26 | 6 | 63 | 286 | 615 |
| 07-08 | 207 | 44 | 31 | 7 | 74 | 288 | 651 |
| 08-09 | 210 | 45 | 31 | 7 | 73 | 302 | 668 |

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For a summary of current Longwood salaries by rank and discipline, see the file http://www.longwood.edu/senate/Salary summary 2009.pdf

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