
Spouse or Common Law Partner & Beneficiary Designation

Plan Name: **Revised Pension Plan for Staff of Acadia University**
Registration Number: **0201129**
Location or Division: _____

(Please Print)

Initial Designation

Revised Designation

Member's Name: _____

S.I.N.: _____

In accordance with pension benefits legislation and the terms of the plan, your spouse or common law partner may be entitled to certain benefits following your death, regardless of any other beneficiary you have named. Benefits not payable to your spouse or common law partner will be paid to your beneficiary. You may designate your spouse or common law partner as your beneficiary, but to do so, you must complete the **Designation of Beneficiary** section below.

Identification of Spouse* or Common Law Partner*

I have a spouse* or common law partner*, as defined by the applicable pension benefits legislation.

Spouse's or Common Law Partner's

Name: _____
Last First Initial

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: Male Female
Day/Month/Year

I do not have a spouse* or common law partner*, as defined by the applicable pension benefits legislation.

Designation of Beneficiary

I revoke any beneficiary designation I may have made previously under the Plan. I appoint the following beneficiaries to receive any amounts payable from the plan, in the event of my death:

Name(s)	Relationship(s)	Share of Proceeds
_____	_____	_____ %
_____	_____	_____ %

Unless specified otherwise, proceeds will be divided equally among all beneficiaries.

If you are designating a beneficiary who is a minor, please designate a trustee. By completing this section, you revoke any previous trustee designations.

I hereby designate _____, _____, to receive and distribute any monies payable to
Name of Trustee Relationship to you

_____ during minority.

Name of beneficiary who is a minor

I reserve the right to revoke the designation of my beneficiary. I acknowledge that all designations remain in effect until they are revoked in writing, by me and received by my employer or pension plan administrator.

Signature of Member

Signature of Witness

Date (Day/Month/Year)

Name of Witness (Please Print)

*** Spouse or Common Law Partner as defined on the next page of this form.**

DEFINITIONS UNDER NOVA SCOTIA PENSION BENEFITS LEGISLATION

Spouse means either of a man or woman who,

- (i) are married to each other;
- (ii) are married to each other by a marriage that is voidable and has not been annulled by a declaration of nullity; or
- (iii) have gone through a form of marriage with each other, in good faith, that is void and are cohabiting or, if they have ceased to cohabit, have cohabited within the twelve-month period immediately preceding the date of entitlement.

Where applicable, Spouse shall also include a *registered domestic partner* within the meaning of the Vital Statistics Act.

Common Law Partner of an individual means another individual who has cohabited with the individual in a conjugal relationship for a period of not less than two years, neither of them being a Spouse. For purposes of the Plan, an individual may have only one Common Law Partner at any given time.