SECTION 137 HOLIDAYS

SOURCE: SBHE Human Resource Policy Manual, Section 19

- 1. The University shall observe the following legal holidays:
 - New Year's Day
 - Martin Luther King, Jr.
 - President's Day
 - Good Friday
 - Memorial Day
 - Independence Day
 - Labor Day
 - Veteran's Day
 - Thanksgiving Day
 - Christmas Day
 - 1.1 Employees of state institutions of higher learning shall also observe every day appointed by the President of the United States or by the Governor of this state as a public holiday.
 - 1.2 If such holiday falls on Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be observed as the holiday; or if the holiday falls on Sunday, the following Monday shall be the holiday.
 - 1.3 University offices must be closed at 12-noon on December 24, Christmas Eve Day, which is an office closure and not a holiday; however, if December 25, Christmas Day, falls on a Saturday, institution offices must be closed all day on the preceding Friday, which is then a holiday as indicated by SBHE Section 19.2.
- 2. In order to receive pay for a holiday, an employee must be in a paid work status (either working or on paid leave) both the day preceding, and the day following the holiday (see policy 212.1.1 on work week definition).
- 3. Operational units of the University shall close or operate with a minimum staff on observed holidays. Employees who because of work schedules have a regular day off that coincides with a holiday shall have an additional day off with pay at the convenience of the University.
- 4. Special religious holidays may be observed with the advance approval of the department head. Such time shall be charged to accumulated annual leave.

5. A holiday is an eight hour day for a full-time employee and a prorated part of an eight hour day for employees who work less than full time.

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