

How to Turn Off Automatic Contribution Increases in Your Ithaca College 403(b) Retirement Plan

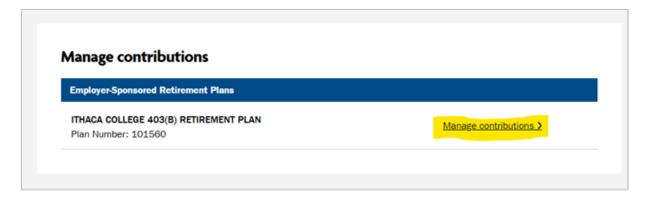
This guide provides step-by-step instructions for opting out of the automatic contribution increases in your Ithaca College 403(b) Retirement Plan. As part of the College's retirement savings program, contributions for automatically enrolled participants increase by 1% annually each August 1 until reaching 15%. This document will help you manage these automatic increases according to your personal financial needs and preferences.

If you would like to stop the automatic increase, simply log into your account at **tiaa.org** and set your contribution percentage. The process of setting the contribution rate yourself will remove you from the automatic increase process. Steps are outlined below.

 Once you log into your account at tiaa.org, select Accounts, then Manage contributions.

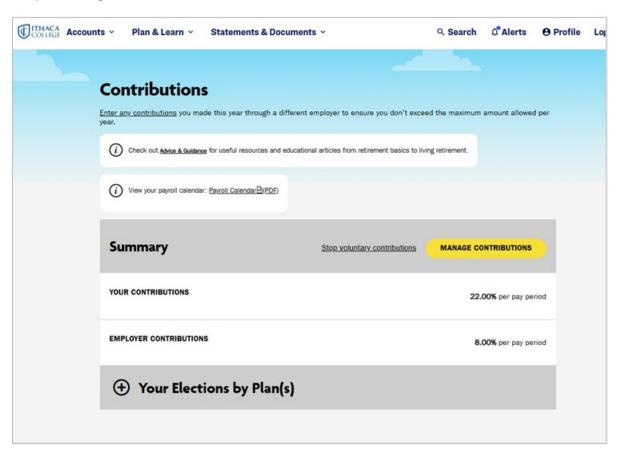


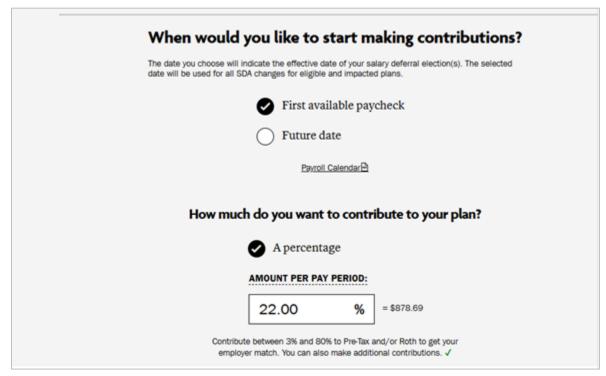
2. Click on **Manage contributions** again next to the Ithaca College 403(b) Retirement Plan.





3. Click on the yellow **Manage contributions** button and enter your desired contribution percentage.







4. Agree to the Terms & Conditions, click **Submit** and you're done! Automatic increases have been stopped.

Before Making Changes: Important Considerations

Benefits of keeping automatic increases:

- Gradual increase in retirement savings without requiring additional action
- Potential for higher long-term retirement account growth
- Adjustment to saving more over time may be less noticeable than making a large increase at once

Considerations when opting out:

- Your contribution rate will remain static unless manually changed in the future
- You may need to actively monitor whether your savings rate aligns with your retirement goals
- Reaching your retirement savings targets may require more proactive management

Consider consulting with a financial advisor about how this decision fits into your overall retirement strategy before making changes. To schedule an appointment, call TIAA at **800-732-8353**, weekdays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (ET).

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