EMPLOYMENT

Employee Handbook – Section 310
Intersession Closing

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310 Intersession Closing

310.1 Definition

Intersession is the period between Christmas Day and New Year’s Day. Boston University’s
decision to observe or not to observe an Intersession Closing is made and announced at the
start of each fiscal year. When the University observes an Intersession Closing, the specific
dates of the closing are published in the University’s official Schedule of Holidays and
Intersession Days.

310.2 Eligibility

All regular, full-time employees and regular, part-time employees are eligible upon hire for the
authorized absence provided by this policy.

Employees who work in essential service areas, including but not limited to University Police,
Facilities, Management and Planning, the University Switchboard, and patient and animal care facilities, are expected to work during an Intersession Closing. Department supervisors should identify and inform employees who are considered to be essential personnel. These employees should be notified upon hire, and annually thereafter, that they are expected to report to work during Intersession Closing unless otherwise notified.

310.3 Compensation and Benefits

Non-exempt employees who are required to work on an Intersession Closing day will be paid in accordance with the University’s standard pay policy for the total number of hours worked during the week, and will earn one-and-one-half (1-1/2) hours of Compensatory Time Off for each non-overtime hour worked during the closing.

Intersession Days not worked are not counted as hours worked for the purpose of computing overtime.

Exempt employees who are required to work on an Intersession Closing day will be eligible for Compensatory Time Off.

All eligible employees maintain their regular pay and benefits while absent from work on observed Intersession Closing days.

310.4 Related Policies

308 Holidays
309 Compensatory Time Off

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Additional Resources Regarding This Policy

Related Policies and Procedures

- Employee Handbook Policies Manual (staff)
  - 308 Holidays
  - 309 Compensatory Time Off
- Faculty Handbook (faculty)

Related BU Websites

- Human Resources
  - HR Policies
  - Manager Resources - HR Website
    - Leaves of Absence

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