

**74-4986g. Same; application for affiliation; credited service.** (a) On the effective date of this act, any educational institution shall be an eligible employer as defined in K.S.A. 74-4952 and amendments thereto. Any such educational institution may affiliate with the Kansas police and firemen's retirement system established under the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4951 *et seq.* and amendments thereto. Such educational institution shall make application for affiliation with such system in the manner provided by K.S.A. 74-4954 and amendments thereto, to be effective on July 1 next following application.

(b) Each educational institution affiliating pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) shall appropriate and pay to the system a sum sufficient to satisfy the obligations hereunder as certified by the board.

(c) For the purposes of determining and computing retirement benefits and death and disability benefits computed upon the basis of credited service of a university police officer appointed under the provisions of this act, the term "credited service," as used in K.S.A. 74-4951 *et seq.* and amendments thereto, means and includes only participating service with the participating employer, except as hereinafter provided:

(1) Credited service of any employee with any participating employer prior to becoming a member under these provisions shall be considered and included in determining if the death or disability of such employee was service connected under the provisions of subsection (10) of K.S.A. 74-4952 and amendments thereto and for the purposes of determining the eligibility of such officer for nonservice-connected death and disability benefits under the provisions of subsection (2) of K.S.A. 74-4959 and amendments thereto and subsection (2) of K.S.A. 74-4960 and amendments thereto.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4957 and 74-4963 and amendments thereto, all credited service of any employee with any participating employer prior to becoming a member under these provisions shall be included and counted together with credited participating service for the meeting of requirements of years of service fixed under the provisions of such sections.

Any rights and benefits accruing to any employee of an educational institution prior to the effective date of affiliation shall be determined and computed pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4901 *et seq.* and amendments thereto. Any member who becomes a member pursuant to this section, who has a vested retirement benefit pursuant to K.S.A. 74-4917 and amendments thereto and who terminates employment prior to attaining a vested benefit pursuant to K.S.A. 74-4963 and amendments thereto may have such service credited for purposes of determining and computing retirement benefits pursuant to K.S.A. 74-4901 *et seq.* and amendments thereto.

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