

Subject: Helping you on your way to financial empowerment with The University of Winnipeg Group Retirement Savings Plan and Desjardins Insurance

Hello

Your financial wellness is important, and The University of Winnipeg Group Retirement Savings Plan is an essential part of your financial empowerment. Take advantage of tax savings and matching employer contributions to help you take ownership of your financial future.

#### What's new?

In order to improve your plan and ensure you have access to the best tools, services and investment solutions, as well as to better support your short and long-term savings goals, The University of Winnipeg Trusteed Pension Plan Board conducted an in-depth review of group savings plan providers. As a result, Desjardins Insurance has been selected to be your new retirement savings plan provider starting November 1, 2021.

## What's not changing?

There's no change in the commitment to you. Contributions to your savings will continue in the same way and help empower you to reach your financial goals.

## Why the change to Desjardins?

- For its member tools: robust and user-friendly retirement planning tools, online management of your contributions through payroll deductions, investment portfolio reports online in real time, a transactional mobile app and proprietary model to drive and measure member engagement in The University of Winnipeg Group Retirement Savings Plan.
- **For lower fees:** The lower investment fees that have been negotiated on your behalf means you can achieve your financial goals even faster.
- For its multi-touchpoint communication strategy: Personalized communication and education
  programs, quality and responsive customer service, and integrated financial wellness experience for
  you.
- **For its strength:** As one of Canada's five largest life insurers, Desjardins oversees the financial security of over five million Canadians from offices across the country. Desjardins Insurance is part of Desjardins Group, the country's leading cooperative financial group.

### How to get started

Stay tuned for your invitation to attend an education session to learn all about your University of Winnipeg Group Retirement Savings Plan and how to make the most of it. You will also have the chance to enter a

contest to win one of three prizes of \$500 just by registering for a live education session and double your chances if you create your account to access Desjardins' OMNI app and plan member website.

#### What's next?

Your account balance and information under The University of Winnipeg Group Retirement Savings Plan, which is currently with Sun Life, will automatically be transferred to Desjardins in November 2021.

# **Questions?**

More information about the transfer to Desjardins will be provided in the coming weeks. You are encouraged to attend the virtual education session from Desjardins, at which time you can learn more about the transfer process and how it impacts you. In the meantime, please refer to the <u>FAQ</u> for additional information about the transfer to Desjardins.

If you have any questions about this change, please contact Mark Betcher, Manager, Pay & Benefits at m.betcher@uwinnipeg.ca