

We are a confidential resource for faculty experiencing a variety of life situations.

Why reach out? **Benefits**

- Meet one-on-one with Faculty Family Advisors
- Confidential
- Consult our FANs manual, a comprehensive resource with family and leave-related information at Wayne State University

NSF WSU-GEARS

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Core Areas

Leave
FMLA, short-term disability, family emergencies

Tenure-Related

Modified Duties and Tenure
Clock Stoppage

O3. Caregiving
Parent's resources, Eldercare

Wellness

Americans with Disabilities
Act, general benefits, and
COVID-19 policies

Family Advocacy Network

The Family Advocacy Network (FANs) supports faculty in navigating the complexities of work/family/life balance. Faculty are invited to meet with Faculty Family Advisors to discuss family leave, caregiver support, tenure clock extensions, and other aspects of managing work/family/life issues.



Meet our Faculty Family Advisors

Available to faculty in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, College of Engineering, College of Fine, Performing, & Communication Arts, School of Business, College of Education, School of Information Sciences, Law School, and School of Social Work



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