

Faculty Development Leaves

Board of Regents

August 21, 2025

University of Houston

Name	College	Department	Faculty Title	Term	Pay (full/1/2)	Leave Reason
Correa-Fernandez, Virmarie	College of Education	PHLS	Associate Professor	Fall 2025	Full Pay	To increase the knowledge, skills and community-based collaborations that provide me with a solid foundation to be successful in the acquisition of funding as principal investigator to continue and expand my research portfolio. Specific objectives are: (1) successful implementation of funded project or submission of revised grant proposal, (2) increase methodological knowledge, and (3) strengthen community partnerships.
Madera, Juan	Global Hospitality Leadership		Professor	Spring 2027	Full Pay	To work on ongoing NSF funded research projects with collaborators from UC Merced and Rice University. Also, to focus on producing research papers and book chapters as well as serve in guest lecture capacity.
Self, Ronnie	College of Architecture		Professor	Spring 2026	Full Pay	To complete manuscript for sole-authored book "The Architecture of Art Museums in Texas"
Jacobs, Kris	Bauer College of Business	Finance	Professor	Fall 2025	Full Pay	Work on six research projects with various collaborators in the US, Canada, Europe, and Australia.
Rivera Garza, Cristina	Liberal Arts and Social Science	Hispanic Studies	Professor	Spring 2026	Full Pay	Complete new book project and present various works in different countries such as Mexico, Spain, Germany, France among others.
Chapman, Teresa	College of the Arts	Theatre and Dance	Associate Professor	Spring 2026	Full Pay	Pursue choreographic research in performance with internationally acclaimed C-Art Dance based in Spain.