

**ARTICLE 12**  
**RELEASE TIME**

One UC-AFT bargaining team member from each campus shall be provided paid release time to attend scheduled bargaining sessions for the purpose of negotiating a successor agreement. When possible, UC-AFT bargaining team members shall provide at least two weeks notice to their supervisors prior to a bargaining session. Permission for release time shall not be unreasonably withheld. The number of persons on release time may be subject to change under new ground rules adopted for negotiating a successor agreement, but this provision shall govern in the absence of any agreement regarding release time for bargaining.