Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	**Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan** This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▸ **Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.**	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 **2024** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

A This return/report is for:
- ☐ a multiemployer plan
- ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
- ☒ a single-employer plan
- ☐ a DFE (specify) ____

B This return/report is:
- ☐ the first return/report
- ☐ the final return/report
- ☐ an amended return/report
- ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. . . . . ▸ ☐

D Check box if filing under:
- ☐ Form 5558
- ☐ automatic extension
- ☐ the DFVC program
- ☐ special extension (enter description)

E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. . . . . ▸ ☐

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan SMU BASIC GROUP LIFE INSURANCE	**1b** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▸ 503 **1c** Effective date of plan 09/01/1962
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY 3140 DYER ST MS261 6116 N CENTRAL EXPRESSWAY, STE 203 DALLAS, TX 75275-0261	**2b** Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-0800689 **2c** Plan Sponsor's telephone number 214-768-2004 **2d** Business code (see instructions) 611000

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature. **Signature of plan administrator**	07/31/2025 Date	SHERI A. STARKEY Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	**Signature of employer/plan sponsor**	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE	**Signature of DFE**	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor

3b Administrator's EIN

3c Administrator's telephone number

4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report:

a Sponsor's name

c Plan Name

4b EIN

4d PN

Line	Description	Box	Value
5	Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	2544
6	Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines **6a(1), 6a(2), 6b, 6c,** and **6d**).		
a(1)	Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	**6a(1)**	2544
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	2679
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	0
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	2679
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	
g(1)	Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(1)**	
g(2)	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(2)**	
h	Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	
7	Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	**7**	

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

4B

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)

(1) [X] Insurance
(2) [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) [ ] Trust
(4) [ ] General assets of the sponsor

9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)

(1) [X] Insurance
(2) [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) [ ] Trust
(4) [ ] General assets of the sponsor

10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

(1) [ ] **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
(2) [ ] **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
(3) [ ] **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
(4) [ ] **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached ______
(5) [ ] **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

(1) [ ] **H** (Financial Information)
(2) [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
(3) [X] **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 1
(4) [ ] **C** (Service Provider Information)
(5) [ ] **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
(6) [ ] **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ....…………..… ☐ Yes ☒ No

If “Yes” is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ………..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code______________________

SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)	Insurance Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.** ▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).	**2024** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

A Name of plan	**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶
SMU BASIC GROUP LIFE INSURANCE	503
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500	**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY	75-0800689

Part I Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions

Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier

THE STANDARD

(b) EIN	**(c)** NAIC code	**(d)** Contract or identification number	**(e)** Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year **(f)** From	Policy or contract year **(g)** To
93-0242990	69019	750966	2679	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	**(b)** Total amount of fees paid
111600	

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

RELATION INSURANCE SERVICES INC DBA

10425 S 82ND AVE 110
TULSA, OK 74133

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid **(c)** Amount	**(d)** Purpose	**(e)** Organization code
100414			

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

RELATION INSURANCE SERVICES

10425 S 82ND AVE 110
TULSA, OK 74133

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid **(c)** Amount	**(d)** Purpose	**(e)** Organization code
11186		CONTINGENT COMPENSATION	3

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid			

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
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(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

Line	Description	Box	Amount
4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end	5	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

Line	Description	Box	Amount
b	Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	6c	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount.	6d	

Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity

(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ ☐

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee

(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶

Line	Description	Box	Amount	Box	Amount
b	Balance at the end of the previous year			7b	
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)			
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)			
	(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4)			
	(5) Other (specify below) ▶	7c(5)			
	(6)Total additions			7c(6)	
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).			7d	
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)			
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)			
	(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)			
	(4) Other (specify below) ▶	7e(4)			
	(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)			7f	0

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

a ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)	**b** ☐ Dental	**c** ☐ Vision	**d** ☒ Life insurance
e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)	**f** ☐ Long-term disability	**g** ☐ Supplemental unemployment	**h** ☐ Prescription drug
i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)	**j** ☐ HMO contract	**k** ☐ PPO contract	**l** ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☐ Other (specify) ▶			

9 Experience-rated contracts:

Line	Description	Code	Amount	Code	Amount
a	Premiums: (1) Amount received	**9a(1)**			
	(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	**9a(2)**			
	(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	**9a(3)**			
	(4) Earned ((**1**) + (**2**) - (**3**))			**9a(4)**	
b	Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	**9b(1)**			
	(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	**9b(2)**			
	(3) Incurred claims (add **(1)** and **(2)**)			**9b(3)**	
	(4) Claims charged			**9b(4)**	
c	Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --				
	(A) Commissions	**9c(1)(A)**			
	(B) Administrative service or other fees	**9c(1)(B)**			
	(C) Other specific acquisition costs	**9c(1)(C)**			
	(D) Other expenses	**9c(1)(D)**			
	(E) Taxes	**9c(1)(E)**			
	(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	**9c(1)(F)**			
	(G) Other retention charges	**9c(1)(G)**			
	(H) Total retention			**9c(1)(H)**	
	(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)			**9c(2)**	
d	Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement			**9d(1)**	
	(2) Claim reserves			**9d(2)**	
	(3) Other reserves			**9d(3)**	
e	Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line **9c(2)**.)			**9e**	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

Line	Description	Code	Amount
a	Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	**10a**	1269704
b	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.	**10b**	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? ☐ Yes ☒ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

Form M-1 Compliance Information

Attached to and made a part of
Form 5500
Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

Taxpayer Name:	**Southern Methodist University**
Calendar Year:	**1/1/2024 – 12/31/2024**
EIN:	**75-0800689**
ASO Administrator:	**Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas Inc.**

Form M-1 Compliance Information

The plan reported on this Form 5500 provides welfare benefits, but was not subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year above.

Attached to and made a part of
Form 5500
Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

Taxpayer Name:	**Southern Methodist University**
Calendar Year:	**1/1/2024– 12/31/2024**
EIN:	**75-0800689**
Name of Plan:	**SMU Basic Group Life Insurance**

Schedule A – Additional Information

Insurance Company: The Standard
Please note that The Standard underwrites the SMU Basic Group Life, Supplemental Life, AD&D, and Dependent Life insurance policies. Although the Basic Group Life Plan is reported separately on this Form 5500, the attached Schedule A provides combined information for all four plans. Information specific to Basic Group Life Insurance is noted on this 5500.

The Standard cannot separate spouse and dependent covered lives from Supplemental Group Life. The number of covered employees on The Standard's Schedule A Information Statement is incorrect. The Form 5500 and Schedule A number of covered employees is correct and was determined by SMU from the billing reports.

Commissions and fees noted on Part I, 2(a) are not segregated by plan. The total amounts are noted on this Form 5500 (Basic Group Life Insurance) and on the Form 5500 covering Supplemental Life, AD&D, and Dependent Life insurance plans.

PLAN INFORMATION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD OF 1/1/2024 TO 12/31/2024

LONG FORM INFORMATION

THE FINANCIAL DATA BELOW IS PROVIDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION

IT CAN BE USED TO COMPLETE THE SCHEDULE A FOR THE FORM 5500

IF YOUR PLAN IS REQUIRED TO FILE SUCH A SCHEDULE

C) PLAN SPONSOR: SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

PART I

1) COVERAGE - LIFE INSURANCE

a) CARRIER:	STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY
b) EIN:	93-0242990
c) NAIC CODE:	000-69019
d) CONTRACT NUMBER:	750966
e) NUMBER OF PERSONS COVERED:	2,679
f) FROM:	1/1/2024
g) TO:	12/31/2024

2) INSURANCE FEES AND COMMISSIONS PAID TO AGENTS, BROKERS AND OTHER PERSONS:

AMOUNT OF COMMISSIONS PAID:	$111,600.07
FEED PAID / AMOUNT:	$0.00

A) NAME & ADDRESS OF AGENT OR BROKER TO WHOM COMMISSION OR FEES WERE PAID	B) AMOUNT OF COMMISSION PAID		FEES PAID		E) ORG. CODE
	COMMISSIONS	CONTINGENT COMP*	C) AMOUNT	D) PURPOSE	
RELATION INSURANCE SERVICES INC 12400 COIT ROAD SUITE 1100 DALLAS, TX 75251	$100,413.96	$11,186.11	$0.00		3

TOTAL COMMISSIONS PAID	$100,413.96
TOTAL CONTINGENT COMP PAID	$11,186.11

*'Contingent Compensation', sometimes referred to as contingent commissions, means compensation that is contingent on the satisfaction of one or more minimum requirements, such as a specified minimum amount of new premium volume or persistency in connection with the producer's block of business. The amount in Column B represents that portion of compensation attributable to the coverage referenced above. The Contingent Compensation is allocated to each policyholder in the same proportion that the policyholder's premium bears to the producer's total premium with The Standard.

PLAN INFORMATION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD OF 1/1/2024 TO 12/31/2024

LONG FORM INFORMATION

PART III - 750966

7) BENEFIT TYPE: LIFE INSURANCE

EXPERIENCE RATED CONTRATS

a) PREMIUMS: (1) AMOUNT RECEIVED:	$1,273,224.88	
(2) INCREASE (DECREASE) IN DUE BUT UNPAID:	($3,521.00)	
(3) INCREASE (DECREASE) IN UNEARED PREMIUM RESERVE:	$0.00	
(4) EARNED PREMIUM ((1)+(2) - (3)):		$1,269,703.88
b) BENEFIT CHARGES: (1) CLAIMS PAID:	$724,000.00	
(2) INCREASE (DECREASE) CLAIM RESERVES:	$228,747.00	
(3) INCURRED CLAIMS ((1)+(2)):		$952,747.00
(4) CLAIMS CHARGED:		$952,747.00
c) REMAINDER OF PREMIUM: (1) RETENTION CHARGES:		
(A) COMMISSIONS:	$111,600.07	
(B) ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE OR OTHER FEES:	$0.00	
(C) OTHER SPECIFIC ACQUISITION COSTS:	$0.00	
(D) OTHER EXPENSES:	$124,845.81	
(E) TAXES:	$22,219.87	
(F) CHARGES FOR RISK OR OTHER CONTINGENCIES:	$90,389.89	
(G) OTHER RETENTION CHARGES:	$0.00	
(H) TOTAL RETENTION:		$349,055.64
ci) DIVIDEND OR RETROACTIVE RATE REFUND:		
d) STATUS OF POLICY HOLDER RESERVES AT END OF YEAR		
(1) AMOUNT HELD TO PROVIDE BENEFITS AFTER RETIREMENT		$ 0.00
(2) CLAIM RESERVES:		$5,625.00
(3) OTHER RESERVES:		$0.00
di) DIVIDENTS OR RETROACTIVE RAE REFUNDS DUE:		$0.00

STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THIS INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE