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NEW Automated Budget Transfer
Workflow Training

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Overview

1. Change in Process (Current vs. New)
2. Budget Transfer Fund Rules
3. Fund Matrix (new resource)
4. Budget Transfer Worksheet (new tool)
5. Routing for Approval
6. Tracking Approvals through the System
7. Inserting Additional Approvers or Reviewers
8. Adding Attachments
9. Review and Approving
10. Resources and Additional Items to Remember



Current Process

- Cost Centers
 - Budget transfers entered in PeopleSoft (saved only)
 - Excel Spreadsheet
 - Routing emails with approvals

- Projects
 - Budget transfer request submitted to Post Award for approval
 - Request routed to GCFS for processing in PeopleSoft

- Cost Share
 - Cost share form submitted to GCFS with new award setup
 - GCFS creates Cost Share Cost Center and enters transfer into PeopleSoft

Benefits of Implementing New Process

- ✓ Automated workflow for review/ approval process !!!!
- ✓ Verification of allowable transfers between funds
- ✓ Confirmation of sufficient budget prior to routing transfer
- ✓ Faster, streamlined process with fewer touchpoints
- ✓ Ability to track status through approval queue
- ✓ Automated email notifications

New Automated Process

Step	Description	Cost Center	Project	Cost Share
1	Budget transfer entered in PeopleSoft	Yes	Yes	Yes
2	Saved and routed for department approval	Yes	Yes	Yes
3	Routed for PI approval	No	Yes	Yes
4	Routed for Post Award approval	No	Yes	Yes
5	Routed for GCFS approval	No	Yes	Yes
6	Routed for GCFS posting	No	Yes	No
7	Routed for Budget Office approval and posting	Yes	No	Yes

New Process – Cost Centers

OPE Ledger

- Department Initiator (Level 1) prepares and submits budget transfer
 - Process a Budget Pre-Check before submitting for approval
 - Watch for Error due to Insufficient Funds
 - Watch for Security Error due to fund rules
- College / VP Financial Lead (Level 2) reviews and approves budget transfer
 - Level 2 approver can also submit transfer on behalf of Level 1 initiator

Note: Department Approval is only required on “From” side of transfers

New Process – Cost Centers cont.

OPE Ledger

- Additional Reviewer/ Approver can be inserted by College/ VP Financial Lead
 - Reviewer is not required to take action on the transfer
 - Approver is required to review/approve as part of official routing
- Depending on the funds in the transfer, it may route to Accounting or GCFS
- GCFS will approve to/from transfers involving Cost Share
- Budget transfers with cost centers end in the Budget Office for final review and posting
- Automated email notification when budget transfer is posted

New Process – Projects

GRT_CHILD1 Ledger

- Initiator can be departmental user or Office of Post Award Administration (OPAA)
 - Prepares budget transfer
 - Processes a Budget Pre-Check before submitting for approval
 - Watch for Error due to Insufficient Funds
 - Watch for Security Error due to fund rules
 - Submits for approval
- Approval by:
 - Project Principal Investigator (PI)
 - OPAA
 - Grants Contracts Financial Services (GCFS)

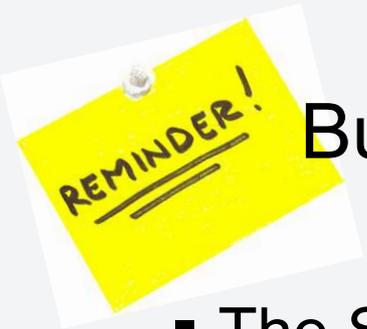
Budget Transfer Journal Requirements

Projects (GRT_CHILD1 Ledger)

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- Funds 5100, 5200, 5300, 5400
 - You can transfer amounts only between budgets within a single Commitment Control ledger group and business unit combination.
 - Only transfers within the same Project and between the same Fund Code are allowed.
 - If the Project's budget control option is set to *control*, then a transfer cannot reduce the budget amount below the amount that has already been expended and encumbered on the Project.
 - At a minimum, Budget Transfer Worksheet must be attached to journal. Specific situations may require additional documentation.
 - Transfers must be entered at the same level as original budget (i.e. G5010 or G4010).

Budget Transfer Journal Requirements, cont.

Cost Share Cost Centers

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- The Speedtype cannot be used for Budget transfers involving Cost Share Cost Centers. Each Chartfield needs to be entered.
 - The funding Cost Center and Cost Share Cost Center must have the same Fund Code



Budget Transfer Fund Rules

- Transfers between the same fund are allowed
 - (i.e. Fund 2100 to Fund 2100, Fund 5200 to Fund 5200, etc.)
- Some funds have additional requirements -
 - Fund 2115 E&G Special Items
 - Only allowed for “like” programs
 - Examples include SALSI, SBDC
 - Fund 2120 E&G State Pass Thru
 - Only allowed when cost centers are related to same award
 - Department approver should confirm; add to approver comments



Budget Transfer Fund Rules

- Some funds have additional requirements (cont.)
 - Fund 2150 E&G Local Funds
 - Only allowed when cost centers are related to same award
 - Department approver should confirm; add to approver comments
 - Fund 3100 Organized Ed Activity Designated Funds
 - Only allowed for a “like” purpose
 - Examples include Official Occasions, Fees, F&A



Budget Transfer Fund Rules

- Other Fund Rules
 - Transfers between Fund 2100 and Fund 3105 are Allowed for Level 2 Approvers Only; Level 1 can initiate the transfer but Level 2 must submit on behalf of Level 1
 - Auxiliary Funds have more flexibility
 - Funds 4100, 4200, 4300, 4400, 4500, 4600, 4700, 4800
 - Transfers between Auxiliary Funds are allowed
 - Transfers between Fund 3100 and Auxiliary Funds are allowed, when appropriate

Two Levels of Department Users

Level 1 Initiators (OPE/Cost Share and Projects)

- Those with initiator role in PeopleSoft
- Limited access for budget transfer submittals
- Based on fund rules, allowed to submit the majority of budget transfers

Level 2 Approvers (OPE only)

- Broader access than a Level 1 initiator
- Department Approvers are set up as Level 2 approvers
- Certain cross-fund transfers require submittal by a department Level 2 approver
- When Level 2 approver submits transfer on behalf of Level 1 initiator, department approval is automatic

Example of Level 2 Submittal

A department wants to make a transfer from fund 2100 to fund 3105, which requires submittal by Level 2 approver.

- *Processing Steps:*

- 1) Transfer is created in PeopleSoft by Level 1 initiator
- 2) Error Message stops the transfer from being routed
- 3) Level 1 initiator contacts the Level 2 approver in their college/ VP area to review and submit the transfer
- 4) Level 2 approver reviews and then submits the budget transfer on behalf of the Level 1 initiator
- 5) Automatic approval, since submitted by Level 2 approver



New Tool – Fund Matrix

How to Read the Matrix:

- The vertical list of funds reflect the “From” side of the budget transfer
- The horizontal list of funds reflect the “To” side of the budget transfer
- Find the intersection of the From and To funds to identify the rule
- The color provides the rule –
 - Gray = Transfer between funds is disallowed
 - Green = Transfer between funds is allowed
 - Pink = Transfer between funds is allowed, but can only be submitted by Level 2 Approver

Fund Matrix (on Budget Office Website)

		TRANSFER "TO" FUND																									
Fund Type	Fund	2100	2110	2115	2120	2150	3100	3105	3115	3200	4100	4200	4300	4400	4500	4600	4700	4800	5100	5200	5300	5400	5500	5515	5600	5800	
E&G	2100	Level 1						Level 2																			
E&G	2110		Level 1																								
E&G	2115			Level 1																							
E&G	2120				Level 1																						
E&G	2150					Level 1																					
Designated Funds	3100						Level 1				Level 1						Level 2	Level 2	Level 2	Level 2							
Designated Funds	3105	Level 2						Level 1																			
Designated Funds	3115								Level 1																		
Designated Service Ctrs	3200									Level 1																	
Auxiliary Funds	4100						Level 1				Level 1																
Auxiliary Funds	4200						Level 1				Level 1						Level 2										
Auxiliary Funds	4300						Level 1				Level 1																
Auxiliary Funds	4400						Level 1				Level 1																
Auxiliary Funds	4500						Level 1				Level 1																
Auxiliary Funds	4600						Level 1				Level 1																
Auxiliary Funds	4700						Level 1				Level 1																
Auxiliary Funds	4800						Level 1				Level 1																

TRANSFER "FROM" FUND



New Tool – Budget Transfer Worksheet

Purpose: To ensure that the funds being transferred correctly account for F&A

- Step 1: Determine the appropriate F&A Rate and F&A Base for the Project.
- Step 2: Complete the Budget Transfer Worksheet.
- Step 3: Attach completed worksheet to Budget Journal.

Budget Transfer Worksheet

Step 1: Determine F&A Rate and Base.

<https://comal.it.utsa.edu/dashboard/>

(VPN connection required)

UTSA Research Performance Dashboard

As UTSA pursues its goal in becoming a nationally recognized public research university as measured by the Carnegie Foundation and attainment of National Research University Fund (NRUF), it is important to recognize the depth and range of the research activities undertaken by UTSA faculty. The Research Performance Dashboard captures these efforts in pursuing research funding through grants, contracts and subcontracts. While the dashboard captures a certain segment of total research activities, this set of metrics and tools can help in managing your research activity including proposals and expenditures.

Login Now

Notice

The data on this dashboard you are about to see is based on how faculty routed their proposals in routing form.

If you would like to view this data by Primary Affiliation of faculty then please select Departmental Research Activity report.

Departmental Research Activity

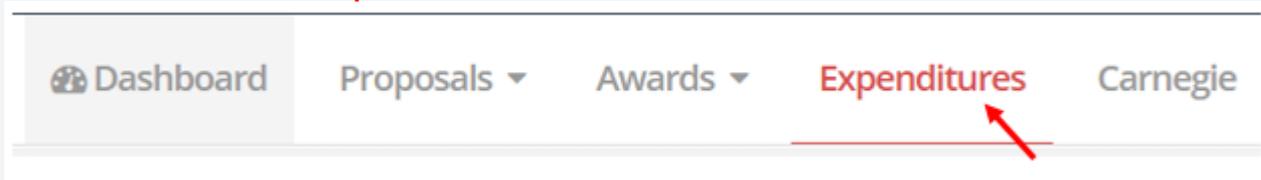
❖ If you don't have access to this report, please email vp rhelp@utsa.edu.

Close & Continue

Budget Transfer Worksheet

Step 1: Determine F&A Rate and Base.

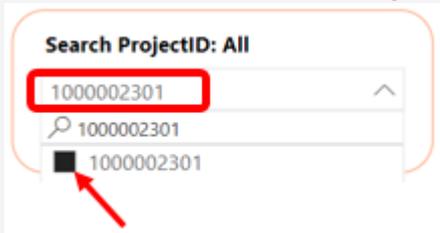
First, click on “Expenditures” link:



Second, click on “F&A Look-up Tool” link at the bottom of the Expenditures Page:



Third, search for Project ID:



Finally, note F&A Base and F&A Rate:

Project PI name	ProjectID	Funded FA Rate Effective Date	Funded FA Rate	Funded FA Base	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Award Description
Xie,Hongjie	1000002301	9/1/2017	47.00	PSPTR	4/30/2018	4/29/2021	Impacts of cloud-lead coupling on the surface energy budget of the Arctic sea ice-atmosphere system - Subaward 10046284-TX; PO#U000135958

Budget Transfer Worksheet (Step 2)

Step 2: Complete Worksheet

<http://research.utsa.edu/research-funding/financial-management-tools-for-sponsored-projects/>

Financial Management Tools for Sponsored Projects

Grants Budget and Expense Account Crosswalk

F&A Rate & Base Look Up

Budget Transfers

Budget Transfers

The **Budget Transfer Worksheet (Job Aid)** is a tool used for:

- entering amounts to be re-budgeted on sponsored projects and to document the justification for re-budgeting
- defining what budget accounts are excluded from F&A (indirect costs) depending on the F&A base type
- it aides with ensuring proper calculations or adjustments when the transfer of funds impacts F&A.

Budget Transfer Worksheet

Step 2: Complete Worksheet

Header:

Request Date:	<u>7/18/2020</u>	Completed by:	<u>River Song</u>
Project ID:	<u>1000002301</u>		
F&A Base:	<u>PSPTR</u>	Extension:	<u>x 1234</u>
F&A Rate:	<u>47.00%</u>		

Budget Lines:

		Incorrect!	Correct!
G4010/G5010	Salary	\$ 6	\$ 4
G4020/G5030	Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
G4030/G5040	Alterations and Renovations	\$ -	\$ -
G4040/G5050	Equipment Fabrication	\$ -	\$ -
G4050/G5060	Equipment Capital (Note: Minimum \$5,000 per item)	\$ -	\$ -
G4060/G5070	Curation (Center for Archaeological Research Only)	\$ -	\$ -
G4070/G5080	Consultant Services	\$ -	\$ -
G4080/G5090	Office Services (Center for Archaeological Research Only)	\$ -	\$ -
G4081/G5100	Administrative Expense	\$ -	\$ -
G4082/G5105	STEM Tuition	\$ -	\$ -
G4090/G5110	Other Direct Costs	\$ -	\$ -
G5115	Mileage Expense (Center for Archaeological Research Only)	\$ -	\$ -
G5116	Workshop-Seminar Costs	\$ -	\$ -
G4100/G5120	Rent and Off Site Leases	\$ -	\$ -
G4105/G5125	Equipment Rental	\$ -	\$ -
G4110/G5130	Domestic Travel	\$ -	\$ -
G4120/G5140	Foreign Travel	\$ -	\$ -
G4130/G5150	Participant Expenses	\$ -	\$ -
G4140/G5160	Scholarships & Fellowships	\$ (6)	\$ (6)
G5155	Participant Travel	\$ -	\$ -
G4150/G5170	Tuition & Fees	\$ -	\$ -
G4160/G5180	Subaward < \$25k	\$ -	\$ -
G4170/G5190	Subaward > \$25K	\$ -	\$ -
G4180/G5200	F&A	\$ 3	\$ 2
Net Budget Transfer (should equal to zero):		\$ 3	\$ -

Budget Transfer Worksheet

Step 2: Complete Worksheet

Justification:

Is this re-budgeting request due to a change in scope? No

Justification:

To reallocate funds per the PI's request. Sponsor allows re-budgeting within 25% of original budget as long as there is no change in scope.

Note: If the budget transfer is related to a change in the scope of the project, you will need to attach documentation verifying that prior approval of the budget transfer has been granted by the sponsor.

Budget Transfer Worksheet

Step 3: Attach worksheet to budget journal

Budget Header | Budget Lines | Budget Errors

Unit: UTSA1 | Journal ID: NEXT | Date: 07/18/2020

*Ledger Group: GRT_CHILD1

Fiscal Year: 2020 | Period: 11

*Currency: USD

Control ChartField: Project

Rate Type: CRRNT

Budget Header Status: None

Exchange Rate: 1.00000000

*Budget Entry Type: Transfer Adjustment

Cur Effdt: 07/18/2020

Budget Type: Expense

Parent Budget Options

- Generate Parent Budget(s)
- Use Default Entry Event

Parent Budget Entry Type: Transfer Adjustment

Attachments (1)

Details

File Name	Show to Approver?	Description	User	Name
View	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

Adding large attachments can take some time to upload, therefore, it is advisable to save the transaction before adding large attachments.

Add Attachment

OK | Cancel | Refresh

Funds Not Included in New Automated Process

- Excludes the following funds
 - Funds 7xxx
 - Funds 9xxx

- Should follow current process
 - Create and save transfer in PeopleSoft
 - Route email approval to Budget Office
 - Budget Office will review, approve and post

- Possible future enhancement to process

Routing for Approval

- All Funds except for 5100 – 5400
 - New Electronic Approval Routing
 - College/VP Financial Leads set up as Department Approvers
 - Transfers route for department approval prior to routing to the Budget Office for approval and posting
 - Cost share transfers will also route to PIs, Post Award, and GCFS
 - Funds 5500-5800 will also route to Accounting Office
- Funds 5100 – 5400 route to PIs, Post Award, and GCFS

Budget Pre-Check and Submit Journal

Budgeting and Planning
Enter Budget Transfer

Budget_Header | **Budget Lines** | Budget_Errors

Unit: UTSA1 Journal ID: 0000445892 Date: 05/07/2020 Errors Only Budget Header Status: None Approval Header Status: Not Submitted

Submit For Approval Process

Lines

Delete	Line	Approval Line Status	Ledger	Budget Period	Sp	Dept	Function	Project	Cost Center	Set Options	Currency	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Not Submitted	OPE_BUD	2020		05	ASC008	200	DSX249	Set Options	USD	-10.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	Not Submitted	OPE_BUD	2020		05	ASC008	200	DSX288	Set Options	USD	10.00

Lines to add: + - Journal Line Copy Down

From Line To Generate Budget Period Lines

Totals

Total Lines: 2 Total Debits: 10.00 Total Credits: 10.00

Save Return to Search Notify Refresh

Budget_Header | Budget_Lines | Budget_Errors

Approval Queue (OPE)

- New Functionality allows for tracking the routing through PeopleSoft

Budget Header | **Budget Lines** | Budget Errors

Unit UTSA1 Journal ID 0000445870 Date 05/07/2020 Errors Only Budget Header Status None
Approval Header Status Pending

*Process

Approval Flow

Department Approver

Unit UTSA1, ID 0000445870, Date 2020-05-07, Line 1: Pending

Department Approver

Pending

Ron McDonald
KK-Department

▶ Comments

Accounting Approver

Unit UTSA1, ID 0000445870, Date 2020-05-07, Line 1: Pending

Accounting Approver

Pending

Multiple Approvers
KK-Accounting Level 1

Budget Office Approver

Unit UTSA1, ID 0000445870, Date 2020-05-07: **Awaiting Further Approvals**

Budget Office Approver

Not Routed

Multiple Approvers
Budget Office Approval2

Automated Email Notifications

- To approvers when they have a pending transfer (see example)
- To initiators when the budget transfer has posted

From: Workflow@utsystem.edu <Workflow@utsystem.edu>
Sent: Friday, May 7, 2020 3:31 PM
To: roshann.mcelroy@uta.edu;
Subject: Approval is Requested for Journal ID "0000449455" Line "1" Business Unit "UTSA1"

A Budget Transfer Journal line has been entered that requires your attention.

Business Unit: UTSA1
Journal ID: 0000449455
Journal Date: 2020-05-07
Journal Line: 1

You can navigate directly to the Budget Journal Approval page by clicking the link below.

https://zaih-sbx.utshare.utsystem.edu/psp/ZAIHSBX/EMPLOYEE/ERP/c/MANAGE_COMMITMENT>Action=U&BUSINESS_UNIT=UTSA1&JOURNAL_ID=0000449455&JOURNAL_DATE=2020-04-02

Approver has three ways to access pending budget transfers:

1. Click on link in the automated email to go directly to transfer
2. In PeopleSoft, navigate to Employee Self Service > Financial Approvals tile to view a list of all pending approvals
3. In PeopleSoft, click on Notifications Flag to view all pending approvals

Approval Queue (Grants)

New Functionality allows for tracking the routing through PeopleSoft

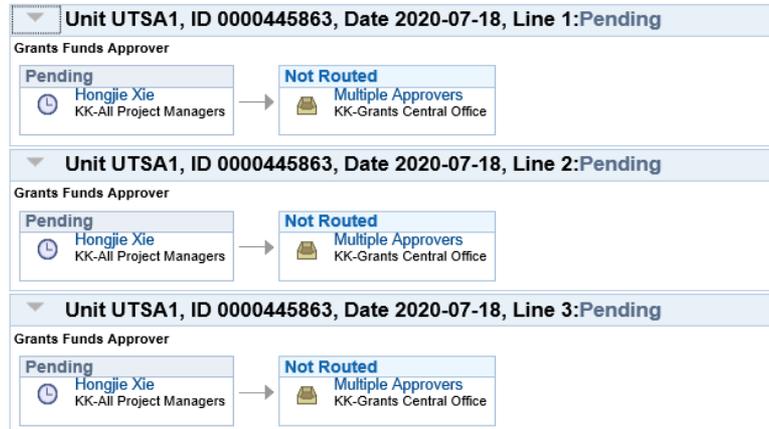
Budget Header **Budget Lines** Budget Errors

Unit UTSA1 Journal ID 0000445863 Date 07/18/2020 Errors Only Budget Header Status Checked Only
Approval Header Status **Pending**

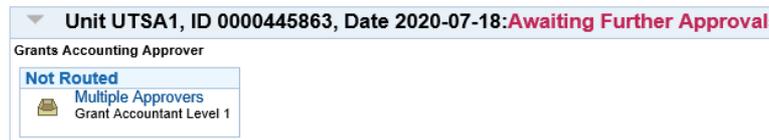
*Process

Approval Flow

Grants Funds Approver



Grants Accounting Approver



Adding Additional Approvers or Reviewers

New Functionality allows for inserting additional approvers or reviewers on the Approval Chain screen

The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Approval Chain" with a close button (x) in the top right corner. The interface is divided into sections for "Department Approver" and "Budget Office Approver".

Department Approver

- Unit UTSA1, ID 0000449455, Date 2020-05-07, Line 1 Pending
-
- Department Approver**
- ⌚ Pending +
- Roshan McElroy
KK-Department Approver >
- 📧 Not Routed - +
- Jenny Jen
Inserted Approver >

Budget Office Approver

- Unit UTSA1, ID 0000449455, Date 2020-05-07, Awaiting Further Approvals

Red circles highlight the minus and plus buttons next to "Not Routed" and the right arrow next to "Inserted Approver".

Adding Attachments

- Additional documentation can be added to transfer
- Sponsored projects budget transfer worksheet is required
- Cost share commitment form is required (if applicable)

Approvals / Review

- Required approval on the reduction line of a transfer (“From” side)
- Review full budget transfer journal by clicking on the tab labeled “All”
- If click the “Pending” tab, will only show the line that requires approval

▼ Lines

Pending **All**

Select	Line	Amount	Account / Project	Fund Code	Department	Cost Center	Function
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Operating Expenses	-10.00 USD	A4000	3105	ASC008 - COS BIOLOGY	DSX249 - BIO DR HYONG-GON LEE STARTUP	200
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Operating Expenses	10.00 USD	A4000	3105	ASC008 - COS BIOLOGY	DSX288 - BIO SAVELLI STARTUP	200

Approver Comments

Approvals / Review cont.

Approval Options (All require comments, except Approval)

1. Approve
2. Deny
3. Pushback (return)
4. Hold



Training Materials / Resources

- PowerPoint Presentation
- Training Materials for Cost Centers:
 - Step-by-Step User Guide
<https://www.utsa.edu/financialaffairs/budget/training.cfm>
 - Fund Matrix Tool
<https://www.utsa.edu/financialaffairs/budget/training.cfm>
- Training Materials for Projects:
 - Budget Transfer Job Aid and Worksheet:
<http://research.utsa.edu/research-funding/financial-management-tools-for-sponsored-projects/>
 - UTSA Research Performance Dashboard:
<https://comal.it.utsa.edu/dashboard/>



Wrap Up

- Schedule Work Sessions
 - Communications coming soon for dates/times
 - Bring transfers to get assistance
 - Bring questions

- Contact Information
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