# Research Administration Brown Bag Series

May 17, 2022



# Agenda

- NU-RES Admin updates
- NU-RES Finance updates
- NU-RES Compliance updates
- System updates
- Upcoming events





- NSF Update:
  - 4/20/22 NSF issued an updated version of the <u>NSF Pre-award and Post-award Disclosures Relating to the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support.</u>
    - Updates info on postdoctoral scholars, students, or visiting scholars.
    - Differentiates between research activities that are intended for use on the project/proposal being proposed and those that are not.
    - Definition of honorarium also added.
  - <u>Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Current and Pending Support</u> have been updated and new questions added.





- NSF Update cont'd:
  - New Research.gov Proposal Preparation Functionality Available May 2nd.
    - Postdoctoral Fellowship proposal type is available for proposals submitted in response to fellowship solicitations that <u>do not</u> contain reference letter requirements.
    - Proposers now have to the ability to choose additional Directorate/Division/Program
      options (i.e., secondary units of consideration) to direct proposals to NSF.
    - The Project Data Form is now available and must be included in proposals for selected funding opportunities in the Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR)/Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE).
    - Proposers can now upload multiple PDF documents in the Other Supplementary
      Documents proposal section and will no longer need to combine documents into a
      single PDF prior to uploading.





- NSF Update cont'd:
  - <u>Award Terms and Conditions</u> have been revised to implement the requirements of the Build America, Buy America provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117-58).
    - Applies to all new NSF awards and funding amendments to existing NSF awards made on or after May 13, 2022. <u>Summary of Changes notice.</u>
  - Spring 2022 NSF Grants Conference
    - NSF will be hosting the Spring 2022 NSF Virtual Grants Conference from June 6 10,
       2022. For more information, visit the <u>NSF Grants Conference page</u>.
    - Registration is free of charge and opened on Wednesday, May 11 at 12 p.m. EST.
    - Check <u>nsfpolicyoutreach.com</u> for the most up-to-date information and view <u>recordings</u>
      of sessions from previous conferences.
    - You can view the Fall 2021 Virtual Grants Conference recordings on their <u>YouTube</u>.

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### NIH Update:

- NIH NOT-OD-22-112: Clarification and Guidance for Applicants Preparing Applications for the Summer 2022 Due Dates During the COVID-19 Pandemic
  - Extends the guidance provided earlier (<u>NOT-OD-22-046</u>).
  - Reviewers will continue to receive instructions to assume that constraints arising from pandemic (e.g., lab occupancy restrictions, declines in patient accrual, etc.) will be resolved during the project period and thus should not affect their scores.
  - NIH grant applications should <u>NOT</u> include contingency or recovery plans for problems resulting from the pandemic. Applicants may address effects due to the pandemic on productivity or other scoreable issues in their Personal Statement in the Biosketch. Reviewers will be instructed to take these pandemic-related circumstances into account when assessing applicants' productivity and other score-driving factors.





- NIH Update cont'd:
  - NOT-OD-22-132: Correction to Stipend Levels for Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Stipends, Tuition/Fees and Other Budgetary Levels Effective for FY 2022.
    - Corrects previously provided stipend amounts for <u>NOT-OD-22-108</u> issued April 15, 2022.
  - NOT-OD-22-130: June 2022 Updated eRA RPPR Module and Instruction Guide: Action Required for In-Progress Budget Forms.
    - RPPR Module in Commons is moving to the new visual appearance.
    - Upgrade includes adding new UEI fields where applicable & required FORMS-G changes.
    - RPPRs submitted on or before June 22 will reflect the FORMS-F budget forms.
    - In-progress RPPR forms will be required to re-enter budget form data if the in-progress. RPPR is not submitted by June 22.
    - Due dates for submission of the RPPR unchanged.

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- Submission of Letters of Intent & Concept Papers: tracking via ePAWs.
  - Many agencies do not require institutional signoff for submission of letters of intent, concept papers or pre-applications. Research Development and NU-RES encourage investigators to create an ePAWs record to track these preliminary responses.
  - Pre-applications that include institutional commitments (e.g., cost-share) and/or that need to be signed by an institutional representative must be routed through ePAWs.
- NU-RES Conference scheduled for June 8-10.
  - Please coordinate with your Grant Officer to ensure coverage over the conference.
  - Final schedule available <u>online</u>.





Congratulations Eva Pasadas on receiving the 2022 NCURA Region I Merit Award



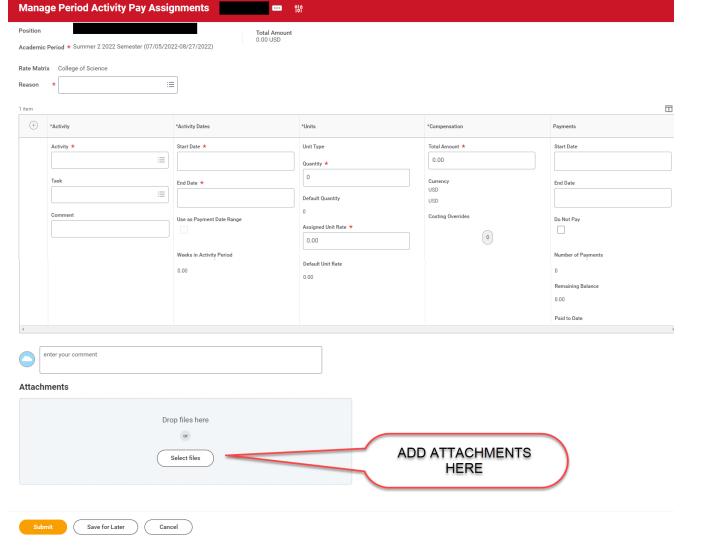




### NU-RES Finance-PAP attachments enabled

The submitter can now add attachments.

No one else can do it after they submit.





## **NU-RES Finance- New Reports coming soon!**

RESFIN has been working on building a suite of reports for the research community. Reports are available in Cognos and are with ITS right now for review. Naming convention may change. You can run reports with different parameters unlike ePrint.

- RESFIN001 All Funds Research portfolio
   Large list of all fund numbers with relevant demographic info at a high level
   Grant#, Fund#, PI Name, Sponsor name, Grant/Award#, Project Start/End, Fund Start/End, etc.....
- RESFIN003 Research Expense Report by Grant/Fund
   List of all transactions charged to the Grant/Fund at a detailed level. Great for detail review of expenditures and to review with PIs
- RESFIN032 Research Payroll Distribution Banner & Workday
   Provides names of people, amounts charged, account codes they are hitting for both Banner and
   Workday time periods. ITS and HR are still working through some fixes, but the report will provide
   lots of visibility to salary charges





# **NU-RES Compliance Updates**

- Department of Energy released <u>FAL 2022-02</u> in Dec 2021 implementing a new fCOI policy
  - Requires evaluation of awards for fCOI
  - Requires faculty with DOE awards to take CITI training
  - Some projects may require fCOI disclosures even for students
- NASA has adopted the fCOI requirements for HHS and we have implemented those at the same time
  - Also requires CITI training

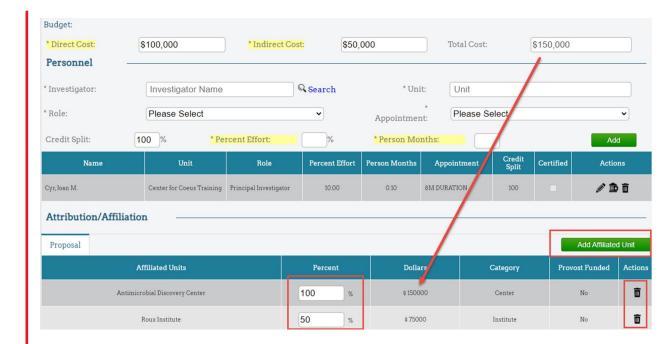




# System Updates

- Attribution/Affiliations in ePAWs 1.0
  - Colleges, Institutes, Centers and other units (including those that do not exist in Banner) may request recognition for contributions to awards, via the new Attribution/Affiliation section in ePAWs v1.0.
- Quick Demo
- See the <u>QuickCard</u> for details







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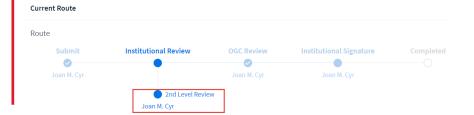
# eCLAWs routing enhancements ... coming soon! More transparent+improved processing speed

- Disable the 'sign order' question in the route template
- Introducing new Reviewer/Signatory functionality:
- "No further action required" for contracts that are processed by NU-RES, but that don't result in a signed agreement
  - •Ability for the Reviewer to insert a stop 'on the fly' to OGC (rather than using Consults or Info requests when OGC's 'approval to form' is required on the contract
  - •"Send to User" function.....a new request type that allows the reviewer to represent in workflow that the record is sent elsewhere for action...will also appear in the Info request window



# Sign Order Has the Other Party signed this contract?

- "Send to Pool" function...similar to "Send to User" but can be sent to a group of people
- Based on new Reviewer functions, new substatus categories will be introduced
- System Admin will be able to return a "review complete" record back into workflow
- Sub-Status list updated, and will be reflected in the horizontal route
- Colors of dots are bright to indicate which stop the record currently resides, muted when not at that stop; muted/filled when the record WAS at that stop, and muted/empty when not at that stop





# Upcoming events

...it bears repeating.....

- NU-RES Conference scheduled for June 8-10
  - Final schedule available <u>online</u>
  - Ingredients: Some professional development sprinkled with FUN!
- May Learn More Session "Accelerating Research Along the Path to Commercialization"
  - Thursday, May 19th at 2:00PM EST via Teams
  - Presented by Mark Saulich, Associate Director of Commercialization, and Katie Hemphill, Director of Technology Ventures and Talent Network





### NU-RES and You!

### Thank You!

See you at the NU-RES Conference in June





