The Latest Buzz with G&C Accounting

Thursday, July 17, 2025
1:00 – 2:30 PM

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Agenda

Topic	Presenter(s)
Research Updates	Josh Rosenberg
ServiceNow Financials Updates	Bryan Peek
Commitment Accounting Updates	Jason Cole
Sponsored Research Accounting Updates	Glenn Campopiano
Cost Accounting Updates	Jonathon Jeffries
Training Updates	Rob Roy
Closing	Josh Rosenberg

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Research Updates

Josh Rosenberg

Executive Director, Grants and Contracts

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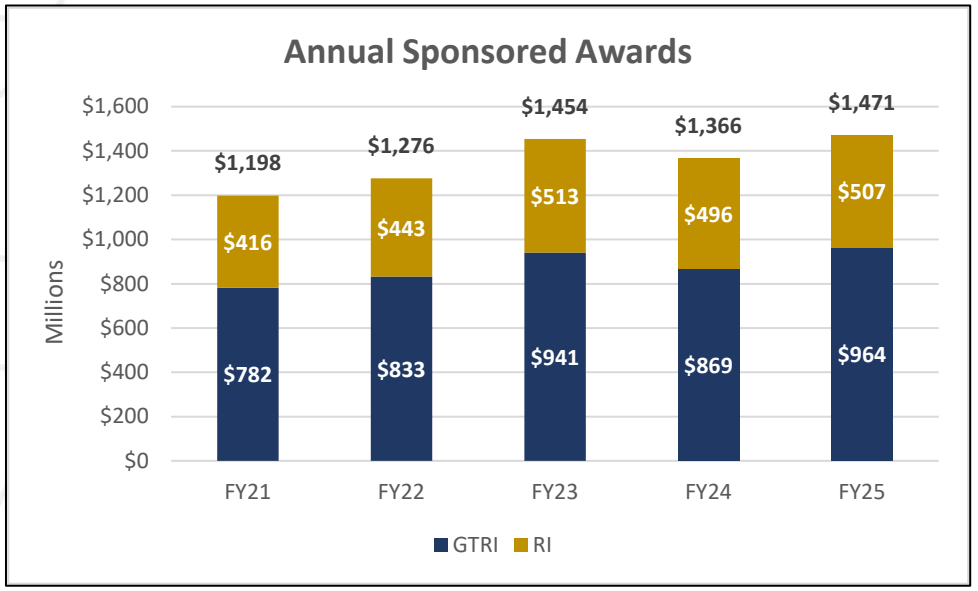
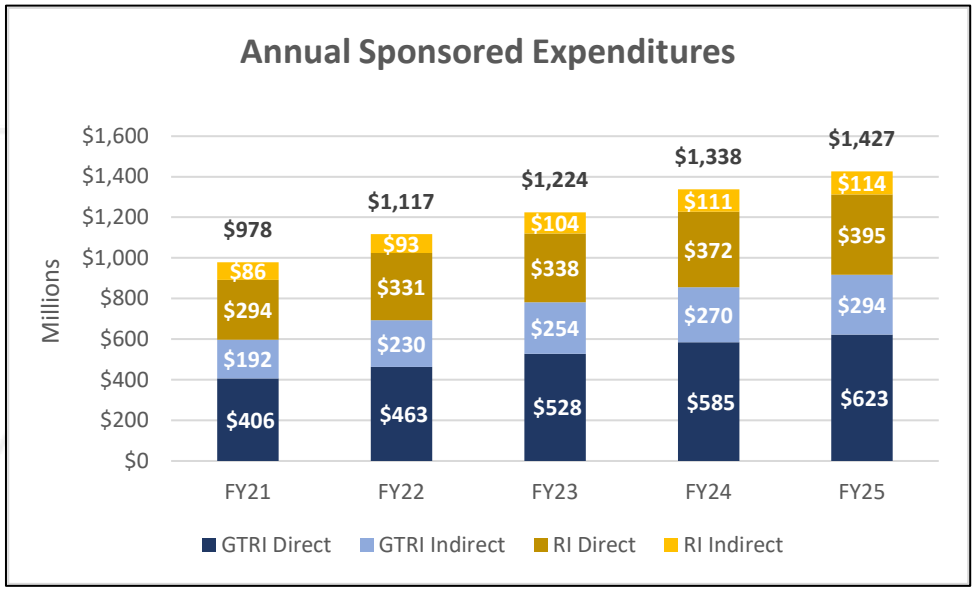
Georgia Tech Research (RI and GTRI)



Trends:

Actuals (AWARDS):

- **FY25: $1,471,361,294**
- GTRI: up 10.9% and $94.8 million ($964.2 million in FY25 vs. $869.4 million in FY24)
- RI: up 2.2% and $10.8 million ($507.2 million in FY25 vs. $496.3 million in FY24)
- **GT Overall: up 7.7% and $105.6 million ($1.471 billion in FY25 vs. $1.366 billion in FY24)**



Trends:

Actuals (EXPENDITURES):

- **FY25: $1,426,632,864**
- GTRI: up 7.3% and $62.2 million ($917.4 million in FY25 vs. $855.2 million in FY24)
- RI: up 5.5% and $26.5 million ($509.3 million in FY25 vs. $482.7 million in FY24)
- **GT Overall: up 6.6% and $88.7 million ($1.427 billion in FY25 vs. $1.338 billion in FY24)**

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RI Sponsored Programs

AWARD DATA: FY21 – 25 (YTD through Period 12: June)

AWARDS: Cumulative Report thru: JUNE					
College/Unit	FY25		FY24		Award Dollar Variance
	Awarded Amount	Awards	Awarded Amount	Awards	
COMP	$ 38,537,149	167	$ 49,694,261	188	-22.5%
COS	$ 66,162,879	348	$ 66,232,799	313	-0.1%
DSGN	$ 8,331,609	132	$ 9,583,973	562	-13.1%
ENGR	$ 311,568,045	1,390	$ 296,713,167	1,254	5.0%
GTRI	$ 964,178,533	1,014	$ 869,407,783	1,077	10.9%
IAC	$ 6,040,677	59	$ 7,687,866	61	-21.4%
OTHERS	$ 75,883,848	353	$ 65,245,352	332	16.3%
SCB	$ 658,554	10	$ 1,192,448	10	-44.8%
Total	**$ 1,471,361,294**	**3,473**	**$ 1,365,757,650**	**3,797**	**7.7%**
Resident Instruction and Other	**$ 507,182,761**	**2,459**	**$ 496,349,867**	**2,720**	**2.2%**

Awards		
	YTD (Jun.)	Full Year
FY25	$ 507,182,761	$ 507,182,761
FY24	$ 496,349,867	$ 496,349,867
FY23	$ 512,798,650	$ 512,798,650
FY22	$ 443,169,708	$ 443,169,708
FY21	$ 415,738,536	$ 415,738,536

Key Takeaways:

- Awards for Georgia Tech totaled $1.47 billion.
- On the RI side, awards increased 2.2% to $507.2 million:
  - Biggest increases came from Industrial Sponsors, the Department of Energy, and the Department of Defense.
  - Biggest decreases came from NSF and the Air Force.

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RI Sponsored Programs

SPONSOR AWARD DATA: FY24 – 25 (YTD through Period 12: June)

RI NEW AWARDS (Through June)						
Federal Agency or Sponsor Type	**FY25**	**% of RI Portfolio**	**FY24**	**25 v. 24 $ Variance**	**25 v. 24 % Variance**	**5 Year Avg**
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)	88,781,167	18%	100,796,476	(12,015,309)	-12%	85,925,721
INDUSTRIAL SPONSORS	70,013,332	14%	54,651,362	15,361,970	28%	66,316,912
COLL/UNIV/RES INSTITUTES	67,720,418	13%	64,440,183	3,280,235	5%	56,624,426
DHHS	65,261,493	13%	66,015,463	(753,970)	-1%	58,354,655
US DEPT OF ENERGY	52,196,000	10%	34,611,923	17,584,077	51%	34,227,294
INDUS RES INST/FDNS/SOC	45,408,508	9%	43,004,330	2,404,178	6%	44,937,298
NASA	20,489,304	4%	19,346,700	1,142,605	6%	17,406,935
US DEPT OF DEFENSE	19,938,943	4%	11,507,308	8,431,636	73%	15,640,602
NAVY	15,231,153	3%	19,301,341	(4,070,188)	-21%	16,732,931
US DEPT OF COMMERCE	13,262,486	3%	15,645,088	(2,382,602)	-15%	15,846,416
ARMY	11,074,045	2%	16,663,998	(5,589,953)	-34%	11,975,432
GOVT-OWNED/CONTRACTOR OP	9,755,389	2%	9,548,252	207,137	2%	10,545,054
STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT	8,430,169	2%	8,202,451	227,718	3%	8,379,662
US DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	4,774,938	1%	8,079,320	(3,304,382)	-41%	7,429,522
AIR FORCE	4,561,368	1%	13,186,798	(8,625,430)	-65%	9,498,253
Grand Total	507,182,761	100%	496,349,867	10,832,894	2.2%	474,950,946

Key Takeaways:

- Top 15 sponsor types/agencies by award dollars in FY25 listed above; totals at the bottom reflect awards from all sponsors.
- NSF continued to be our largest sponsor, but other federal agencies as well as industry sponsors helped push year-end totals above the prior year.

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RI Sponsored Programs

EXPENDITURE DATA: FY21 – 25 (YTD through Period 12: June)

Expenditure Analysis: June	FY25 YTD	FY24 YTD	Change
Salaries and Wages	$ 150,826,409	$ 146,060,628	3.3%
Subcontracts	$ 77,971,336	$ 70,687,934	10.3%
Tuition Remission	$ 31,943,448	$ 33,144,923	-3.6%
Other Direct Costs	$ 46,613,760	$ 37,298,927	25.0%
M&S	$ 29,190,908	$ 30,015,773	-2.7%
Fringe Benefits	$ 30,953,447	$ 29,281,157	5.7%
Equipment	$ 18,931,528	$ 15,827,392	19.6%
Domestic Travel	$ 5,690,346	$ 6,711,951	-15.2%
Foreign Travel	$ 2,235,483	$ 1,721,970	29.8%
High Performance Computing	$ 211,906	$ 158,643	33.6%
Unallocated/Blank Object Class	$ 372,799	$ 715,325	-47.9%
DIRECT	**$ 394,941,370**	**$ 371,624,622**	**6.3%**
INDIRECT (IDC)	**$ 114,321,416**	**$ 111,102,607**	**2.9%**
Total	**$ 509,262,786**	**$ 482,727,229**	**5.5%**

Expenditures - Direct		
	YTD (Jun.)	Full Year
FY25	$ 394,941,370	$ 394,941,370
FY24	$ 371,624,622	$ 371,624,622
FY23	$ 337,688,551	$ 337,688,551
FY22	$ 330,920,330	$ 330,920,330
FY21	$ 294,248,586	$ 294,248,586

Expenditures - Indirect		
	YTD (Jun.)	Full Year
FY25	$ 114,321,416	$ 114,321,417
FY24	$ 111,102,607	$ 111,102,607
FY23	$ 103,856,777	$ 103,856,777
FY22	$ 93,079,082	$ 93,079,082
FY21	$ 86,156,912	$ 86,156,912

Key Takeaways:

- Direct expenditures were up 6.3% and indirect expenditures were up 2.9% YOY.
- Direct expenditures reflect growth in most object classes, with notable exceptions in tuition remission, materials & supplies, and domestic travel.
- Indirect Cost Recovery (IDC), which has been an area of focus in the second half of this year, finished the year in a strong position.

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COS	$ 64,678,150	$ 64,057,751	1.0%
DSGN	$ 9,327,968	$ 10,723,756	-13.0%
ENGR	$ 290,579,049	$ 280,627,057	3.5%
GTRI	$ 917,370,078	$ 855,158,695	7.3%
IAC	$ 7,127,210	$ 6,501,298	9.6%
OTHERS	$ 97,697,074	$ 78,993,367	21.9%
SCB	$ 1,169,187	$ 622,540	87.8%
Total	**$ 1,426,632,864**	**$ 1,337,885,924**	**6.6%**
Resident Instruction and Other	**$ 509,262,786**	**$ 482,727,229**	**5.5%**

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Grants and Contracts PROJECT ACCOUNTING STATISTICS
FY24 – FY25 (YTD through Period 12: June)

INVOICING

Invoicing YTD FY2024 vs. FY2025 (thru June)

Invoice Types	FY25 (Jun. YTD)	Monthly FY25 Average	FY24 (Jun. YTD)
G&C GIT Standard Certification Required	3,568,500	$ 297,375	$ 1,853,434
G&C GTRC Custom Certification Required	1,187,248	$ 98,937	$ 1,123,823
G&C GTRC Standard Certification Required	155,102,991	$ 12,925,249	$ 148,306,235
G&C In House	33,317,281	$ 2,776,440	$ 38,368,653
G&C LOC Draw	199,394,181	$ 16,616,182	$ 188,067,666
G&C SF1034	20,123,336	$ 1,676,945	$ 23,927,280
G&C SF270	61,528,521	$ 5,127,377	$ 57,350,449
Bursar Billed	22,245,885	$ 1,853,824	$ 16,792,543
Grand Total	**$ 496,467,944**	**$ 41,372,329**	**$ 475,790,084**
Raw Invoice Counts	**16,491**	**1,374**	**16,369**
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Year over Year Invoicing Change	**Dollars**	**Invoice Counts**
YTD change in FY25 over FY24	**$ 20,677,860**	**122**
YTD percentage change	**4.3%**	**0.7%**

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Reports YTD FY2024 vs. FY2025 (thru June)

Report Types	FY25 (Jun. YTD)	FY24 (Jun. YTD)
Annual Financial Report	80	87
Final Financial Report	205	206
Monthly Financial Report	87	156
Quarterly Financial Report	407	556
Milestone (Event Based)/Revised	4	3
Semi-Annual Financial Report	179	100
TOTALS	**962**	**1,108**

Year over Year Reporting Change	**Report Counts**
YTD change in FY25 over FY24	**(146)**
YTD percentage change	**-13.2%**

Through June

G&C ANALYST TEAM: JOURNALS	**FY25**	**% of Total**	**FY24**	**% of Total**	**% Chg FY**
Journals (Total)	1393		1317		6%
Appropriate Grants Management	1142	82%	1054	80%	
"Red Flag" Grants Management	251	18%	263	20%	

Appropriate Grants Management: F&A adjustments, accounting adjustments, in-kind cost sharing, month-end entries, audit, blank object class, tuition correction, equipment entries.

"Red Flag" Grants Management: Primarily prior year Salary and Planning Distribution (SPD) transfers, past term/overages.

Other Stats:

- Independent of journal activity through June, the analyst team managed: 1,076 award initiations, 2,686 award modifications, 5,576 award corrections, 2,522 closeouts, and 301 service now tickets.

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Award Dollars in Exception Status

Award Exceptions (Overspent) - as of July 1				Award ID Counts	
Row Labels	Past-term	In-Performance	Available Balance	1-Jul	2-Jun
Chemistry and Biochemistry	(47,404)	(113,529)	(160,933)	6	8
Electrical and Computer Engineering	(45,180)	(278,633)	(323,813)	20	34
Mechanical Engineering	(36,849)	(65,254)	(102,103)	11	27
GT/Emory Biomedical Engineering	(16,297)	(70,234)	(86,531)	8	18
Center for Education Integrating Science, Math	(11,887)		(11,887)	1	1
Aerospace Engineering	(4,117)	(206,950)	(211,066)	10	14
Advanced Research Institute	(3,384)		(3,384)	1	-
Earth And Atmospheric Sciences	(2,844)	(8,465)	(11,309)	4	9
EI2 EDL Economic Development Lab	(902)	(301)	(1,202)	3	2
Civil And Environmental Engineering	(532)	(47,895)	(48,427)	3	4
Industrial And Systems Engineering	(340)	(11,406)	(11,746)	2	4
Institute for Data Engineering and Science	(183)		(183)	1	-
Scheller College of Business (SCOB)	(126)	(69,091)	(69,217)	2	2
IAC-Ctr for Adv Comm Policy	(122)		(122)	1	-
Financial Aid		(23,945,284)	(23,945,284)	2	2
Grand Total	(170,165)	(26,685,749)	(26,855,914)	105	192
Non-Financial Aid	(170,165)	(2,740,465)	(2,910,630)	103	190

Key Takeaways:

- This data represents awards where actual spending plus obligations and commitments exceeds the current budget.
- The biggest risk area is dollars associated with “past-term” awards (the end date has passed).

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G&C Education & Outreach – PI Articles and The Latest Buzz

https://www.grants.gatech.edu/pi-articles

https://www.grants.gatech.edu/latest-buzz-gc-accounting

JUNE 2025 ARTICLE (# 40)

Featured PI Article

PI ARTICLE: *Understanding GTRC and GTARC*

GTRC (established in 1937) and GTARC (established in 1997) serve as contracting entities and supporting organizations for research at Georgia Tech (GT), as outlined by a memorandum of understanding signed every five years by the President of Georgia Tech and the Chair of the Board of Trustees of each organization. More PI articles are found in the **archive**.

Read the Article

Upcoming Events

The Latest Buzz with G&C Accounting

G&C hosts a monthly information session to provide post award research news and updates to the Georgia Tech research community.

Next session (Virtual):
July 17, 2025 (Thursday)
1 - 2:30 p.m.

Register

View Past Session Recordings

G&C Office Hours

The Project Accounting Management Team hosts monthly, virtual "Office Hours" for campus. Anyone is welcome to join and ask questions on the last Monday of each month, between 10:00am and 11:00am.

Next office hours:
July 28, 2025 (Monday)
10 - 11 a.m.

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ServiceNow Financials Updates

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ServiceNow Financials Updates

What's New?

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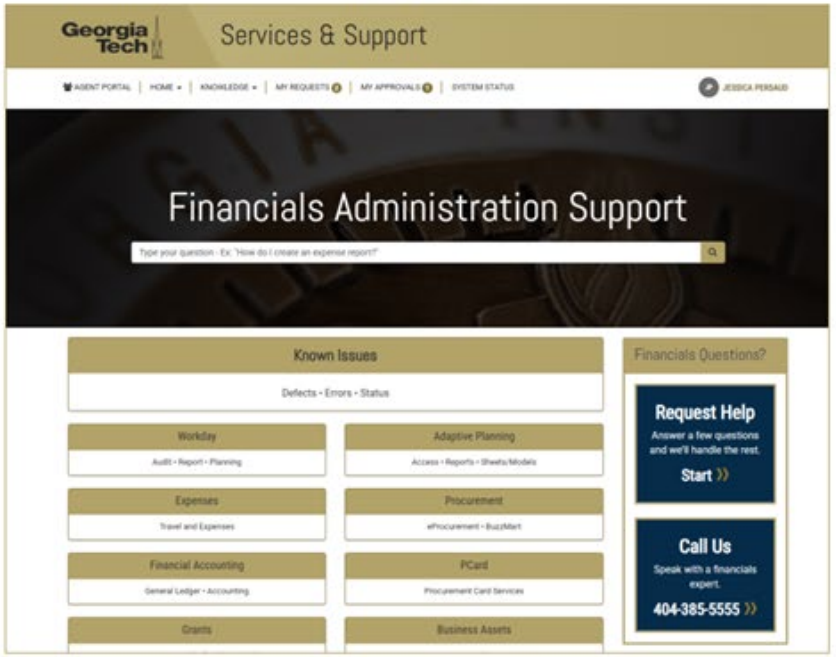

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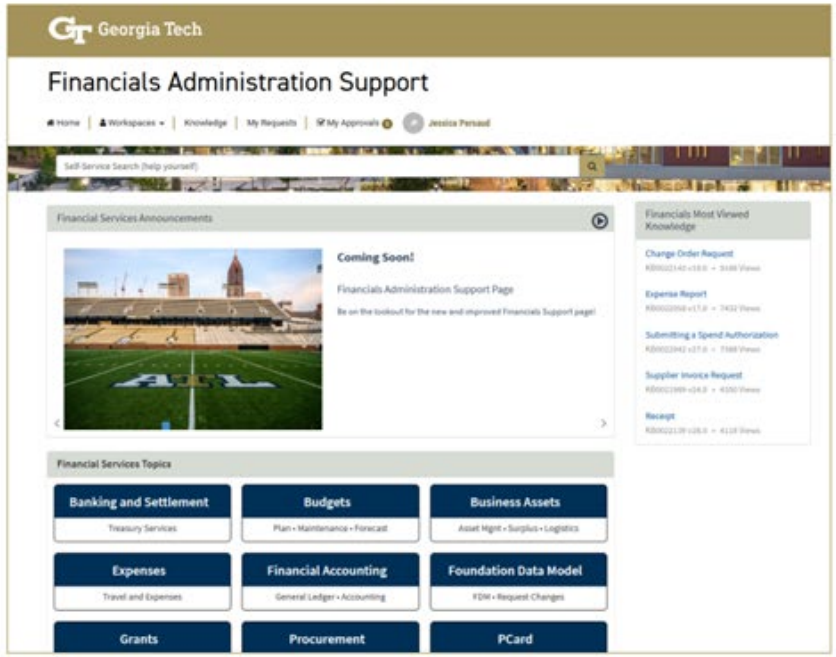

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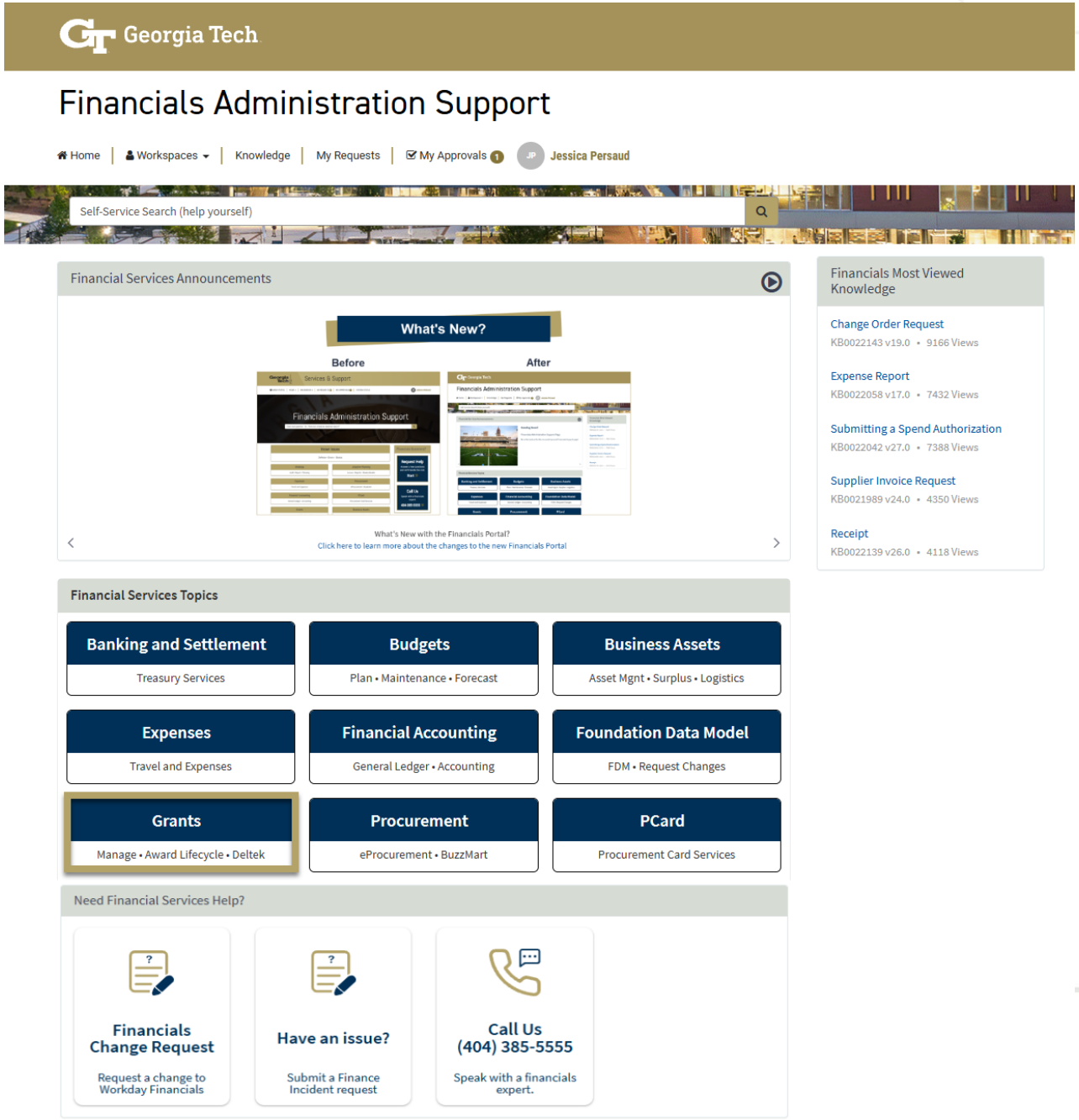
Financials Services Updates

- Header Navigation Updates
- Quick Access to Financials Announcements
- Functional Area Categories
- Faster Access to Knowledge
- Revised Quick Links
- Organized Access to Help Options
- Navigating What's New: ServiceNow Financials Knowledge Article provides overview changes



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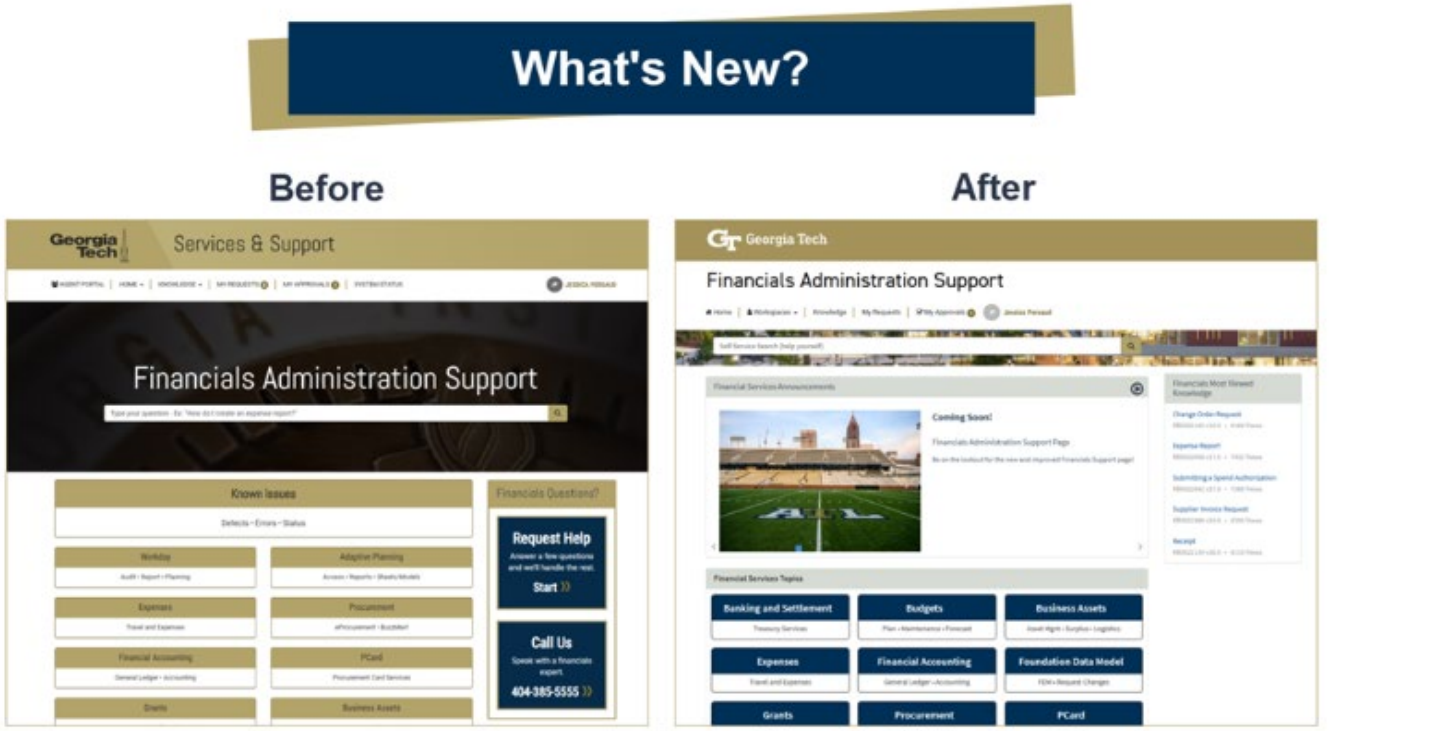
Financial Services Announcements



What's New with the Financials Portal?

Click here to learn more about the changes to the new Financials Portal

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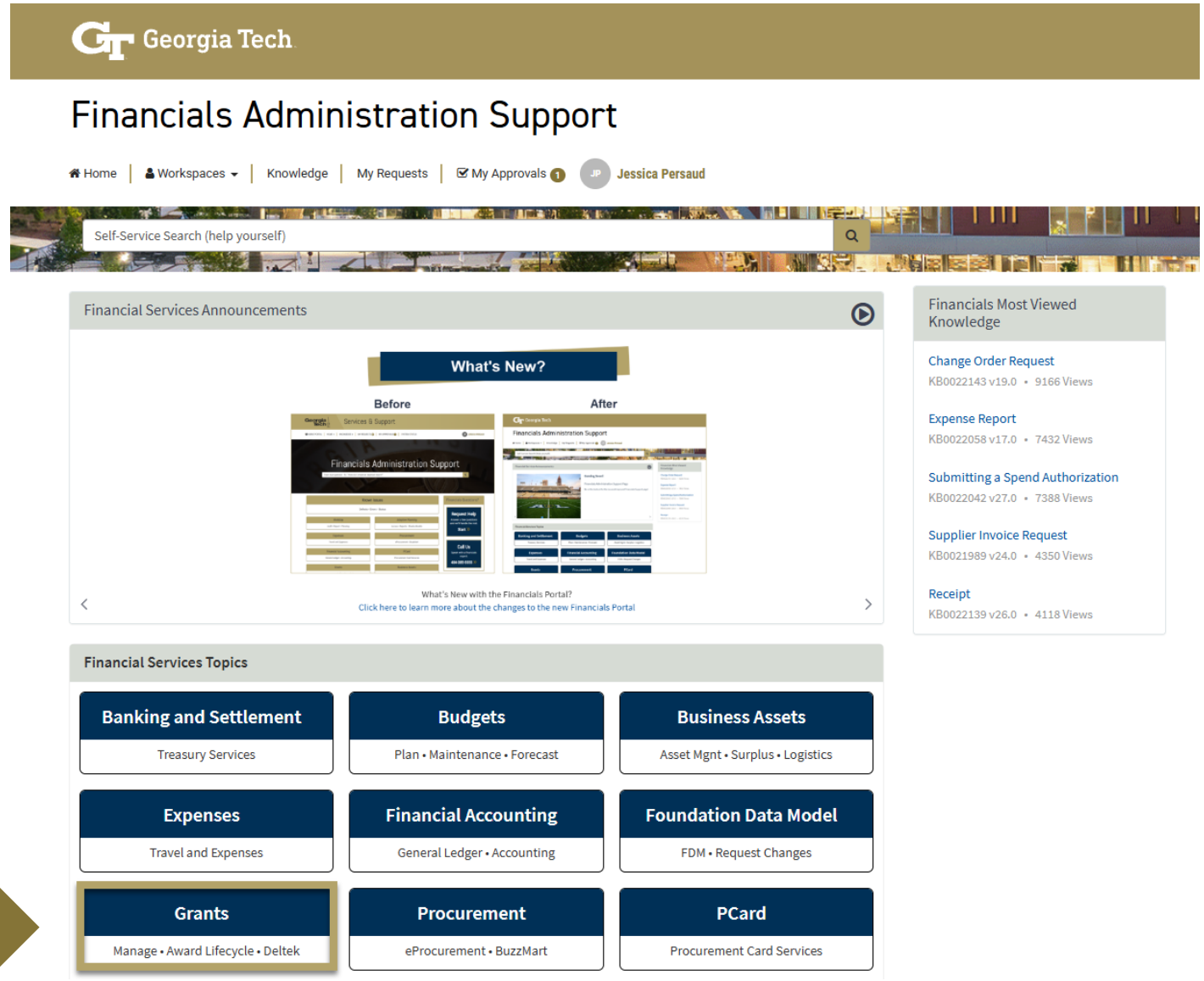
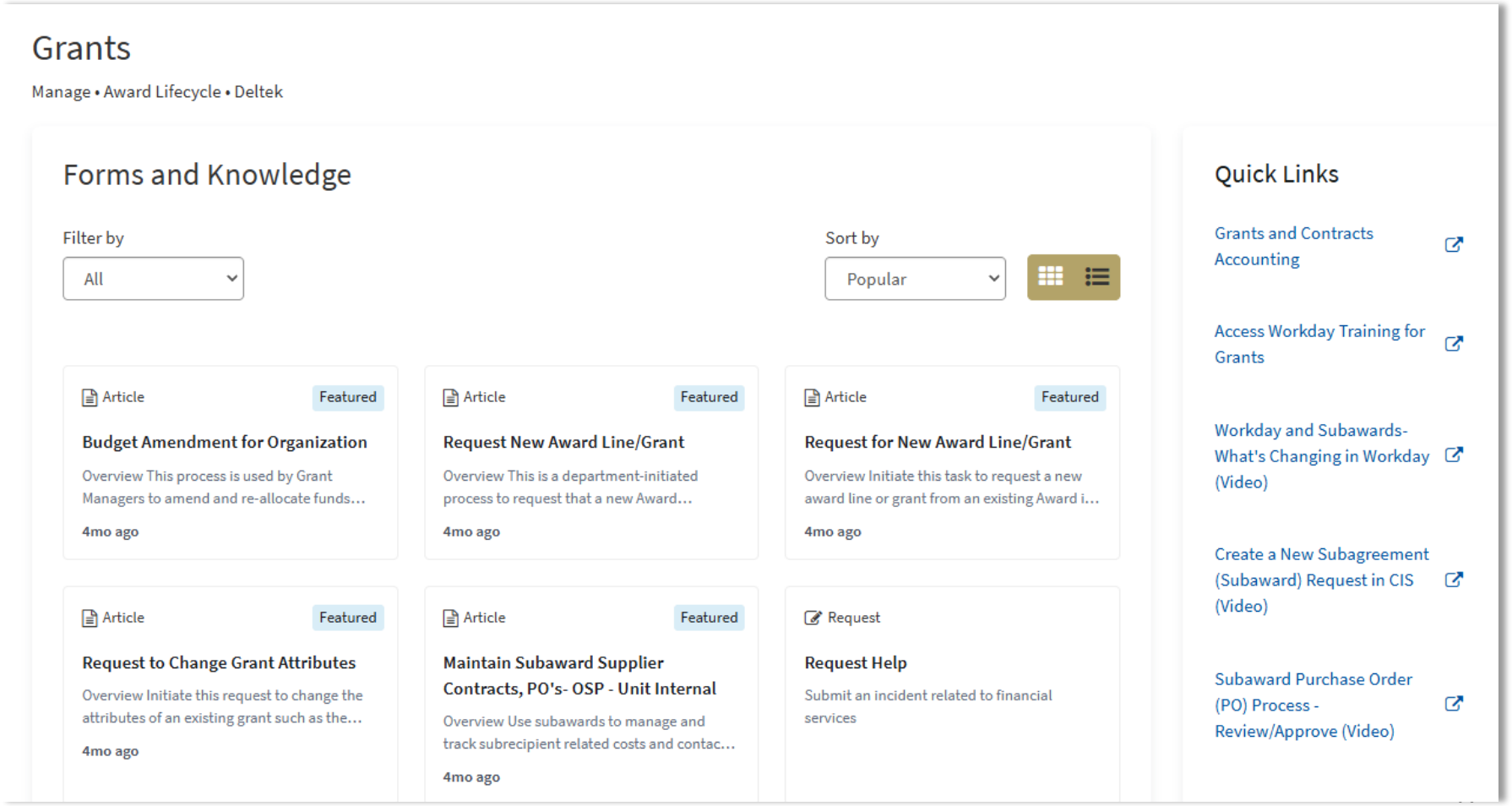
Financial Services – Grants



Grants ServiceNow Portal

- Forms and Knowledge
- Filter and Sort Options
- Quick Links
- Request Help



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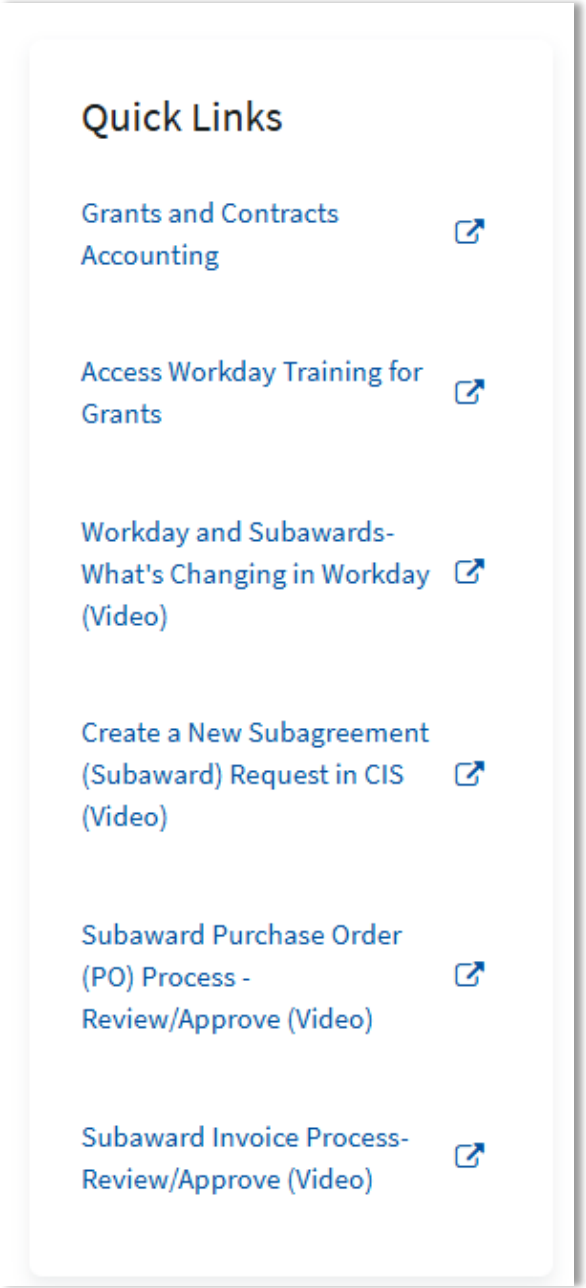
Quick Links

- Grants and Contracts Accounting
- Access Workday Training for Grants
- Workday and Subawards- What's Changing in Workday (Video)Quick Links
- Create a New Subagreement (Subaward) Request in CIS (Video)
- Subaward Purchase Order (PO) Process - Review/Approve (Video)
- Subaward Invoice Process - Review/Approve (Video)



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Grants ServiceNow - Demo

Commitment Accounting Updates

Jason Cole

Commitment Accounting Director

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Commitment Accounting

- Review FY2026 Position Funding
- Funding loaded from annual budget developed in April 2025.
- Correct FY2026 funding with a change position funding transaction to avoid submitting an EDR.
- Expired Grants will cause funding to post to suspense, or cost overrun worktags.
- Extend grant end date or transfer salary to a valid funding source
- Establish cost share as soon as possible to avoid over 90-day requests
- Meet with PIs early and often

Commitment Accounting

- FY2025 Transactions
- 15,579 CPF transactions 14,009 approved 1,570 (10%) denied
  - 3,522 more than FY24, That means you saved 3,522 unnecessary EDRs.
- 15,601 EDR transactions 12,284 approved 3,317 (21%) denied
- 31,180 total transactions submitted to CA
- Common Reasons for Denials
  - Missing appropriate approver
  - Missing current employee cost detail report
  - New and Original worktags are the same
  - Transferring salary that isn’t available
  - Incorrect effective date

OneUSG Cost Detail Reports

- All FY2025 Scheduled reports must be canceled
- Setup new Scheduled reports for FY2026 (BOR_SATURDAY, BOR_SUNDAY)
- Create separate run control ID for each scheduled report
- One or two users should run reports for department and share with other users
- It takes a while to run large reports
- Slows down reports for other users

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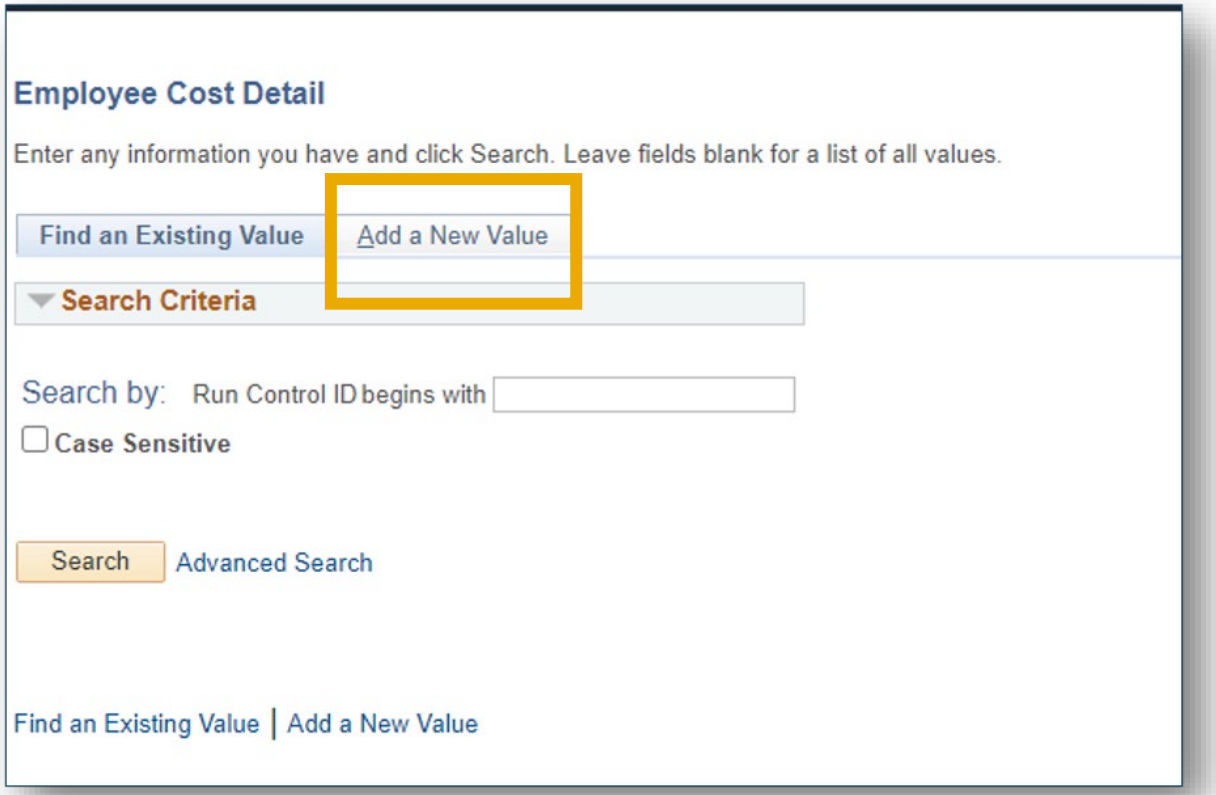
OneUSG Cost Detail Reports

- Select **Add a New Value** to enter a new Run Control ID to run the Employee Cost Detail.
- Use different Run Control ID for scheduled reports
- If you already have a Run Control ID set up enter in the field and select **Search**.



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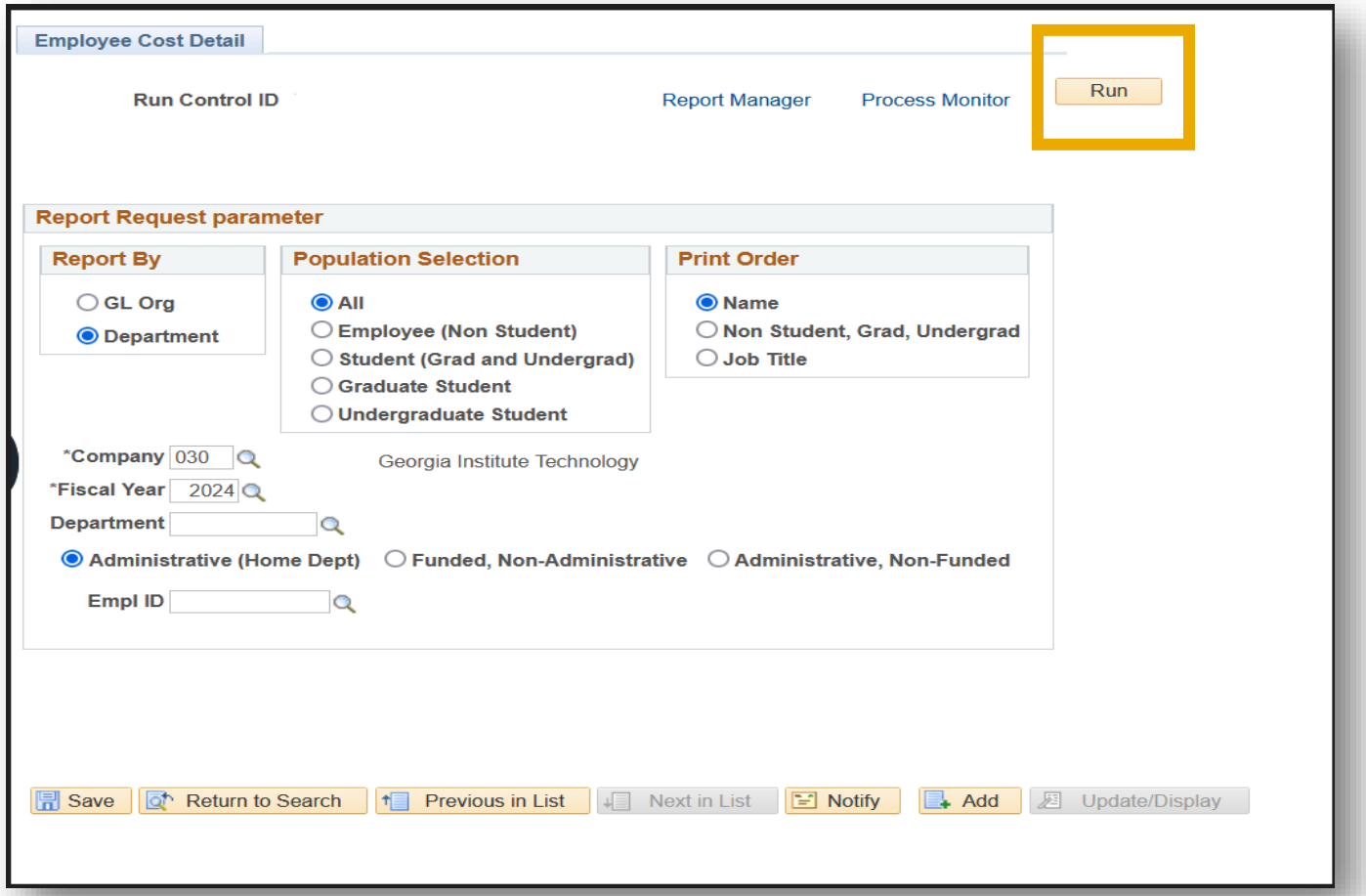
OneUSG Cost Detail Reports

- Report by department
- Population Selection All
- Enter fiscal year (2026)
- Enter Department
- Leave employee ID blank for schedule department reports
- Click Run



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- Select Recurrence – BOR_SATURDAY or BOR_SUNDAY
- Click Reset to Current Date/Time
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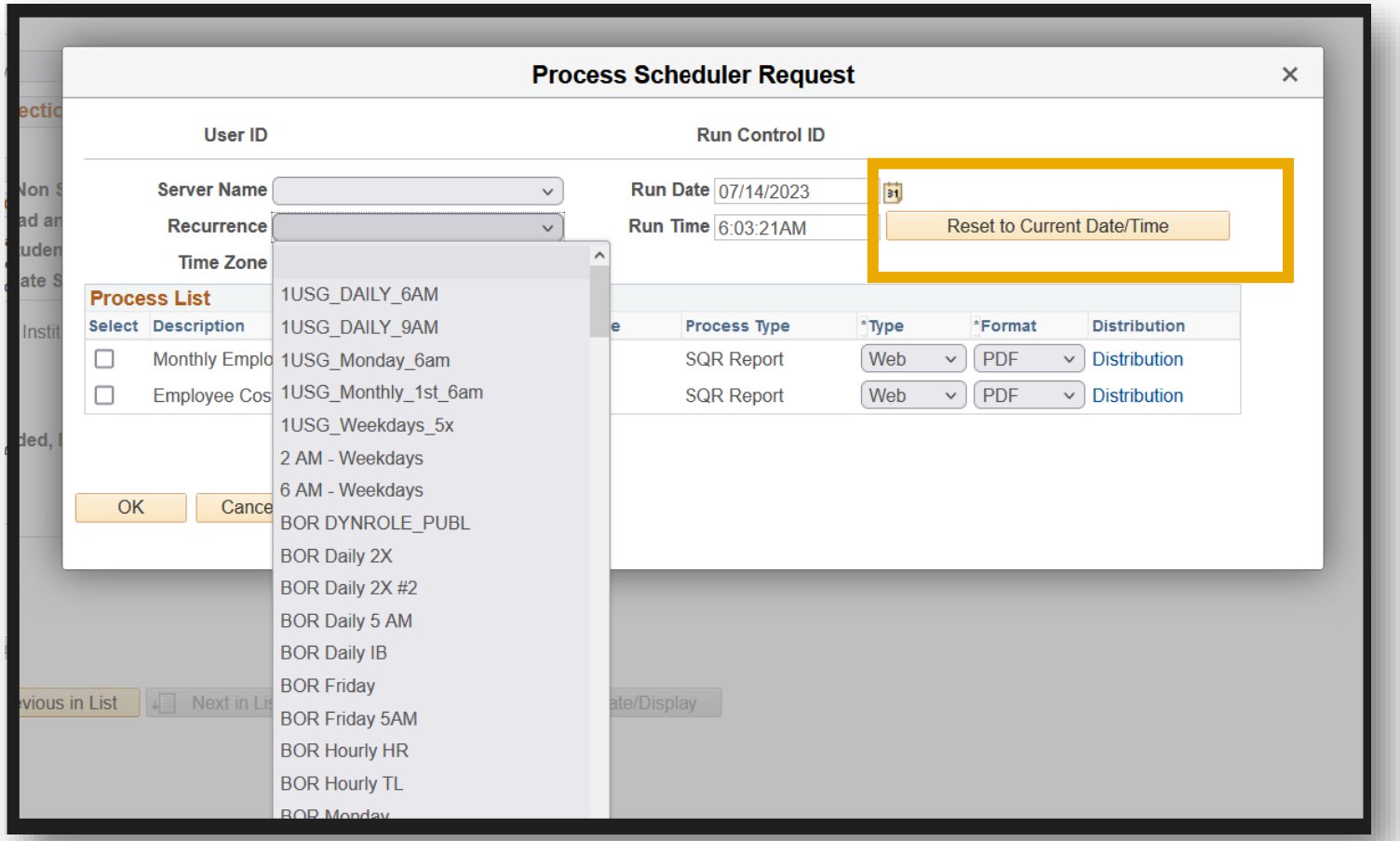

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- Select 1st option Monthly Employee Cost Report
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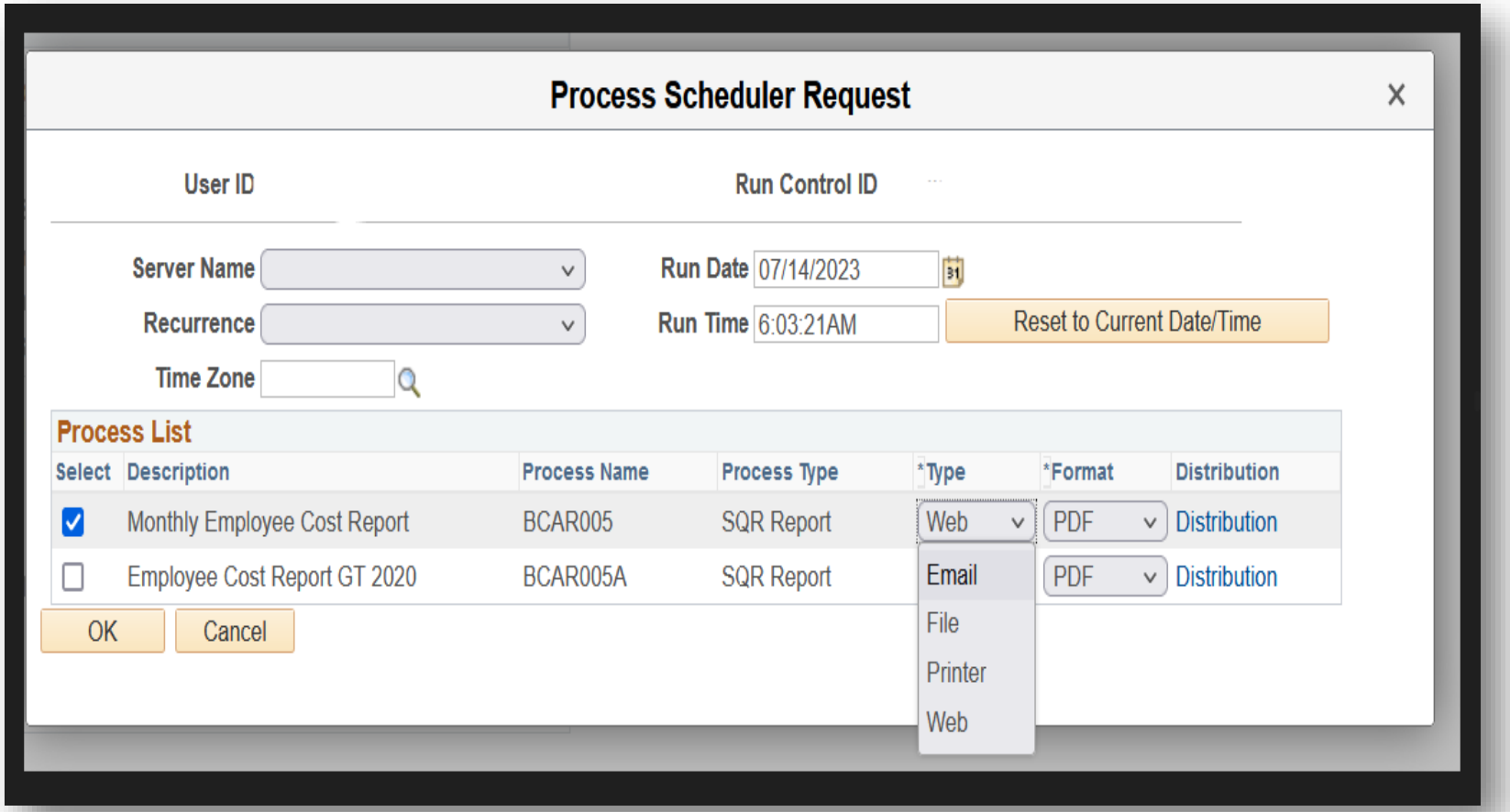
- Format - PDF
- Click Distribution list to send reports to multiple users



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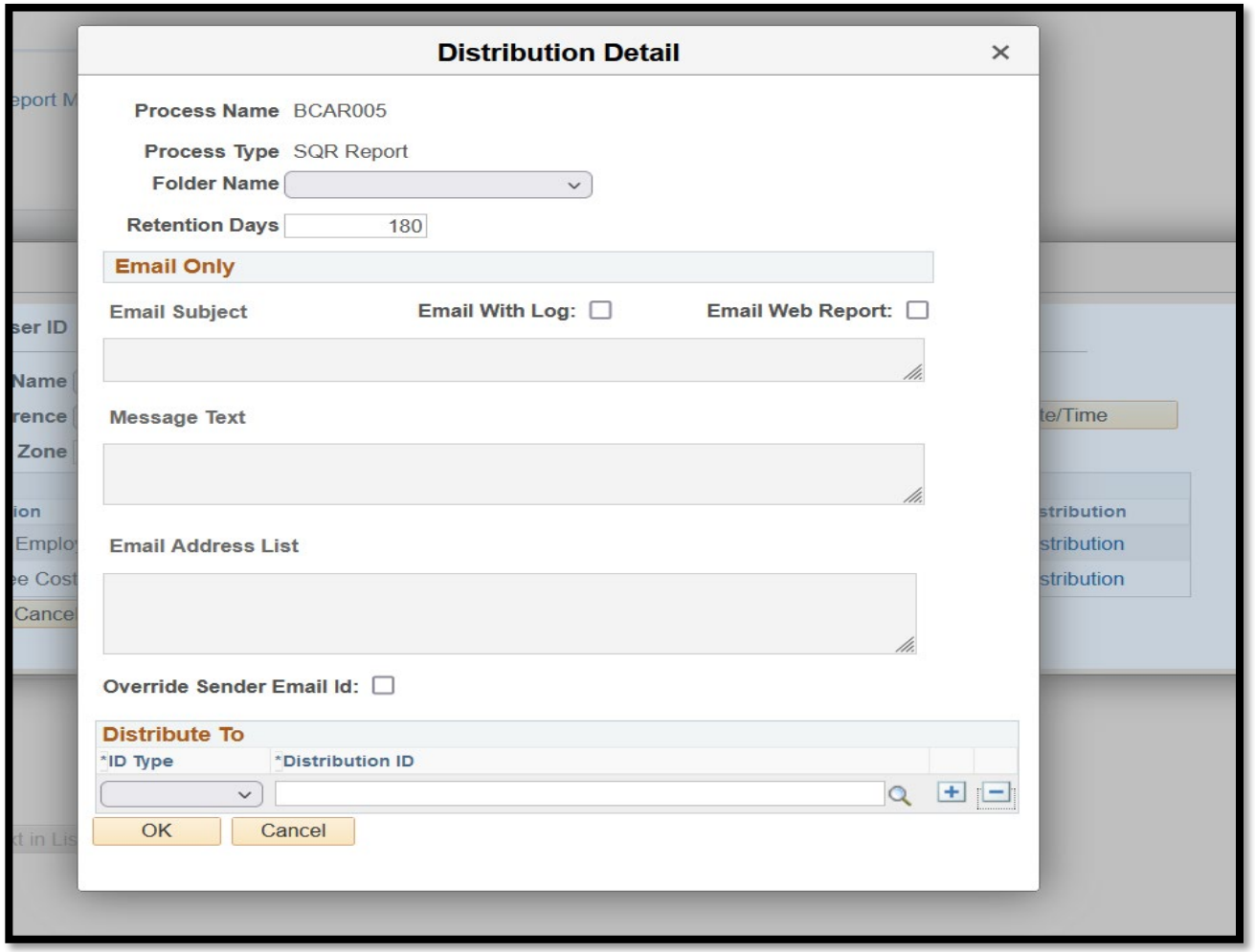
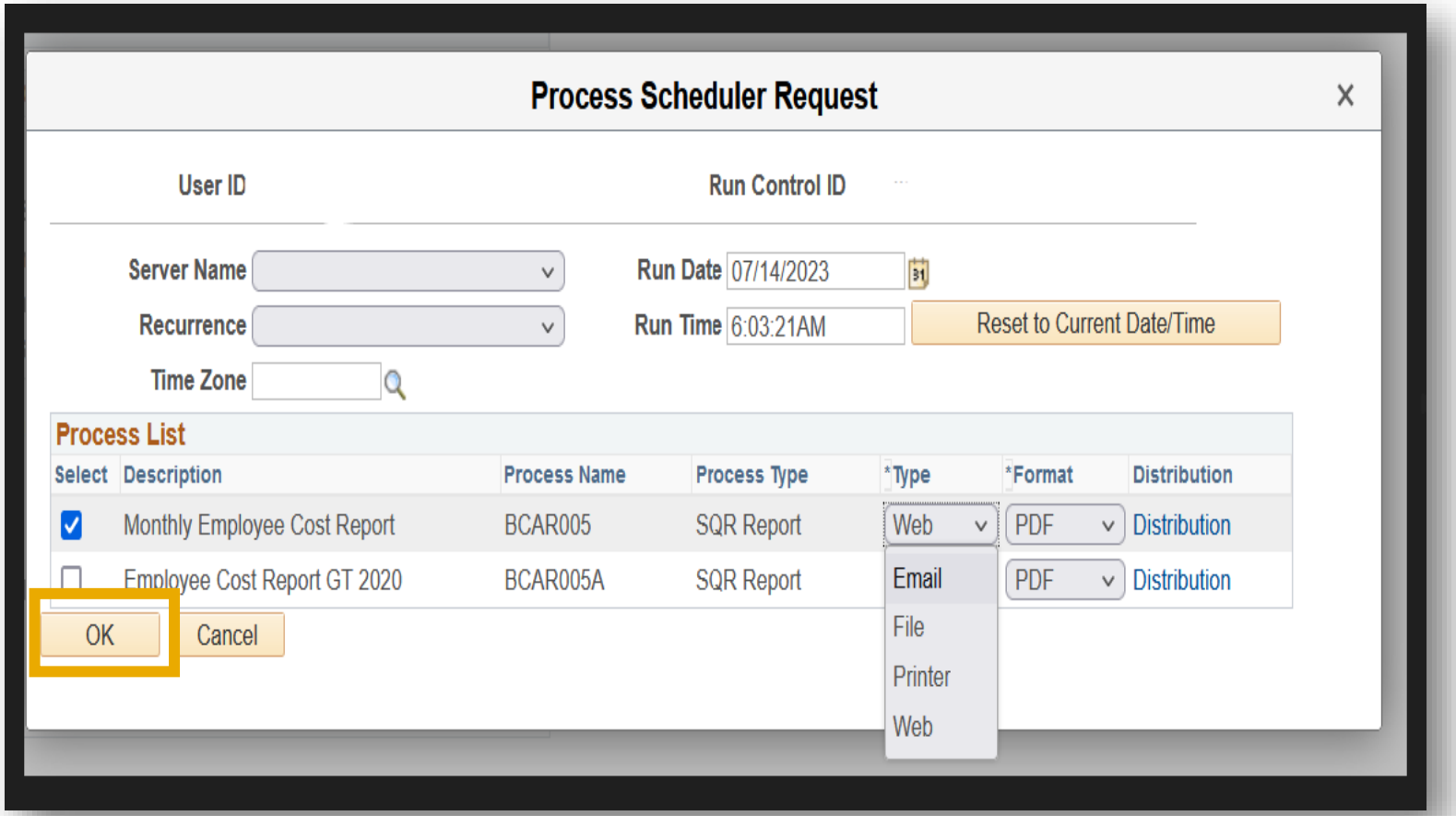
- Enter message text
- Enter email addresses for other users or
- Enter their User ID in the Distribution ID field
- Click OK



OneUSG Cost Detail Reports

- Click OK
- Reports will be scheduled and should appear in your email inbox if email is selected.
- If Web type is selected, you must login to view the reports.
- If report parameters are changed, the scheduled reports will run accordingly
- Link to Training Video How to Schedule Cost Detail Reports



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Sponsored Research Accounting Updates

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Sponsored Research Accounting Updates

Dept	Award ID	Award Name	Award Lif	Award St	Award En	Months L	Available Bal	Balance S	Performa
Mechanical Engineering	AWD-004195	ACOLLABORATIVE INDUSTRIAL	Close Out	9/1/2022	8/31/2024	-10	(12,805.15)	Overspent	Past-term
Aerospace Engineering	AWD-004730	Engine Maintenance Logistics G	Close Out	1/1/2023	12/30/2024	-6	(4,116.69)	Overspent	Past-term
Advanced Research Institute	AWD-006956	LIXILMRATO1_G2RTCommerci	Close Out	2/1/2025	5/31/2025	-1	(3,383.62)	Overspent	Past-term
GT/Emory Biomedical Engineering	AWD-005262	Vision Sciences Training Progra	Central Admi	9/1/2023	4/1/2025	-3	(15,204.88)	Overspent	Past-term
Scheller College of Business (SCOB)	AWD-006370	Flom Incubator Grant Applicatio	Close Out	4/26/2024	4/25/2025	-2	(125.59)	Overspent	Past-term
Electrical and Computer Engineering	AWD-100764	COLLABORATION RESEARCH: I/	Central Admi	10/1/2015	8/31/2018	-82	(4,998.84)	Overspent	Past-term
Electrical and Computer Engineering	AWD-003544	REAL-TIME PROCESSING OF CA	Close Out	4/1/2022	3/31/2025	-3	(26,945.89)	Overspent	Past-term
Electrical and Computer Engineering	AWD-000356	LARGE-SCALE RECORDINGS OF	Close Out	6/15/2019	4/30/2025	-2	(547.93)	Overspent	Past-term
Civil And Environmental Engineering	AWD-004936	AN ENHANCED NETWORK-LEVI	Close Out	6/1/2023	5/30/2025	-1	(532.15)	Overspent	Past-term
Electrical and Computer Engineering	AWD-003822	SUPERIOR ASYMMETRIC VISIBIL	Close Out	7/26/2022	5/31/2025	-1	(7,489.70)	Overspent	Past-term
Chemistry and Biochemistry	AWD-002495	MECHANISTIC STUDIES OF COM	Close Out	4/23/2021	3/31/2025	-3	(5,377.92)	Overspent	Past-term
Chemistry and Biochemistry	AWD-004255	CENTER FOR THE BEHAVIOR OF	Close Out	6/22/2022	3/31/2025	-3	(4,006.18)	Overspent	Past-term
Chemistry and Biochemistry	AWD-006559	Georgia Comprehensive Metabo	Close Out	8/15/2024	5/31/2025	-1	(36,279.25)	Overspent	Past-term
Earth And Atmospheric Sciences	AWD-002269	COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH: G	Central Admi	6/1/2021	5/31/2025	-1	(694.50)	Overspent	Past-term
Center for Education Integrating Scien	AWD-004882	HORIZONS SUMMER PROGRAM	Central Admi	7/1/2022	3/31/2025	-3	(11,887.19)	Overspent	Past-term

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Cost Transfers

- This FY G&C will be focusing on the causes of the many cost transfers done across sponsored research and other areas.
- I would like to say that many of these can be avoided if proper vetting is done before approving an expense.
- Initiators should be checking budgets for correct grant, adequate funding and allowability before submitting an expense authorization or requisition, no rubberstamping approvals.
- Do not purchase items on one grant with the intent to move some to another later on. Split the transaction from the get-go or do separate transactions.
- Before adding effort to a grant check to see if the budget can afford it and if in the right period.
- Be mindful of charging to the correct grant line in an Award with multiple grant lines. Especially those with Participant Support and Research Subject grant lines.
- Review your processes with an eye to constant improvement so to reduce errors.

FY26 Cost Share

- It is that time again to review your yearly commitments to cost share. I realize I harp on this a lot, but it is so important.
- Make your plan, fund your worktags and load up the cost share effort for the year as far out as you can.
- We need cost share expenses in step with the sponsored spending as best we can.
- Please use the Cost Share Exception Report that Josh sends out beginning of the month to help you manage.

Sponsored Research Accounting Updates

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COMPLIANCE CONVERSATIONS

Grants in Transition: Practical Steps for Navigating the Now and Preparing for What's Next

1-2: 30 p.m. ET | Wednesday, June 25

What We'll Cover

Managing through:

- Policy and documentation pressure
- Budget modifications and spending down
- Desk reviews and de-obligation prep

Goal: Offer real-world strategies to stay ahead of scrutiny.

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Policies & Disclosures – Are You Up to Date?

Have you checked?

- Mandated disclosures (2 CFR 200.113, 300.17)
- Common gaps in outdated policies

Proactive approach

- Scheduled reviews
- Internal tracking tools

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Budget Modifications & Spending

- Modifying within the lines: pre-approval thresholds and flexibilities
- Creating a spend-down strategy that aligns with program goals
- Talking to program leads early before a crisis triggers it

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Documentation & Defensibility

Document

- If it's not documented… it didn't happen
- What good documentation looks like:
  - Clear, Defined, Legible
  - Supports justification ➔

Defense

- Substantive
- Relates to the topic
- Examples

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Are you a Red Flag?

- High unobligated balances draw attention
- Link between balances and perceived program performance
- Tactics:
  - Budget realignment
  - Obligation planning
  - Communications with funders

Case Study: The Scrappy Grantee

Doesn’t always get it right—but always knows why

- Tracks every grant separately
- Reviews the CFR before spending
- Asks questions before acting
- Documents decisions with context
- Proactively resolves inconsistencies

“I ask too many questions—my CFO says I give her anxiety!” – Scrappy Grantee

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Case Study: The Silent Spender

Spent the money—but lost the trail

- No real-time tracking of grant activity
- Procurement decisions made without policy review
- Missed documentation on programmatic vs. fiscal alignment
- Late reporting triggered flags during monitoring

"I didn't realize we needed to document that."
– Grantee, post-audit

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Desk Reviews and Grantee Audits

New Focus

- Changes to Work Programs
- Fiscal Review
- Performance Review
- Policy Alignment Review - **New**
  - Aligns with program intent
  - Aligns with current Eos
  - Requests for different types of supporting documentation

Impacts

- Corrective Action Plan
- Questioned Costs
- De-obligation
- Termination

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Takeaways & Action Items

- Review and revise your policies now
- Don’t delay tough conversations about budget reallocation
- Create a grant documentation folder—centralized, organized, accessible
- Prep for reviews now—even if you haven’t been contacted

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Cost Accounting Updates

Jonathon Jeffries

Director - Cost Accounting

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Annual Statement of Reasonableness

- Annual Statement of Reasonableness referred to as ASRs or effort reports are the tool for employees to certify the effort/salary distribution for the previous fiscal year (FY25)
- It is **critical** that these get approved by both the employee and the ASR approver
- 6,000+ ASR will be electrically distributed Friday July 18th to all employees charged to a GR worktag
- A link will be sent to all ASR approvers where we will save all manual ASR by department to aid with any corrections or manual ASRs. We will update the site regularly to only include unconfirmed ASRs.
- We are working diligently to make sure all data is accurate including the employees home department but if you have concerns or questions, please reach out to easr.ask@office365.gatech.edu
- ASRs only include Institutional Base Salary, so ledger accounts outside of this definition are not included, see G&C definitions and examples here
- ASRs are expected to be certified by the employee and ASR approver by the **deadline of 8/29**

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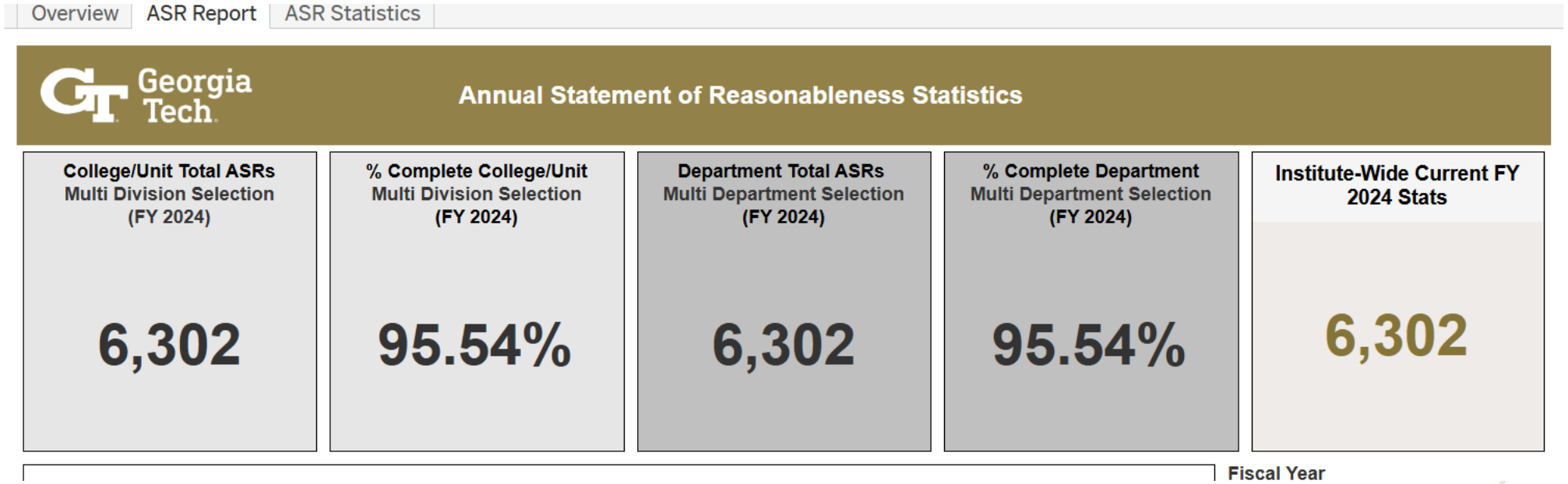
Annual Statement of Reasonableness - Resources

- Weekly reminders will be sent to employees with unconfirmed until at least the deadline
- Regular Communication will also be sent to ASR Approvers to provide updates and assistance
- A new dashboard (Annual Statement of Reasonableness Statistics) is available on LITE to help track ASR confirmation progress by Department or College



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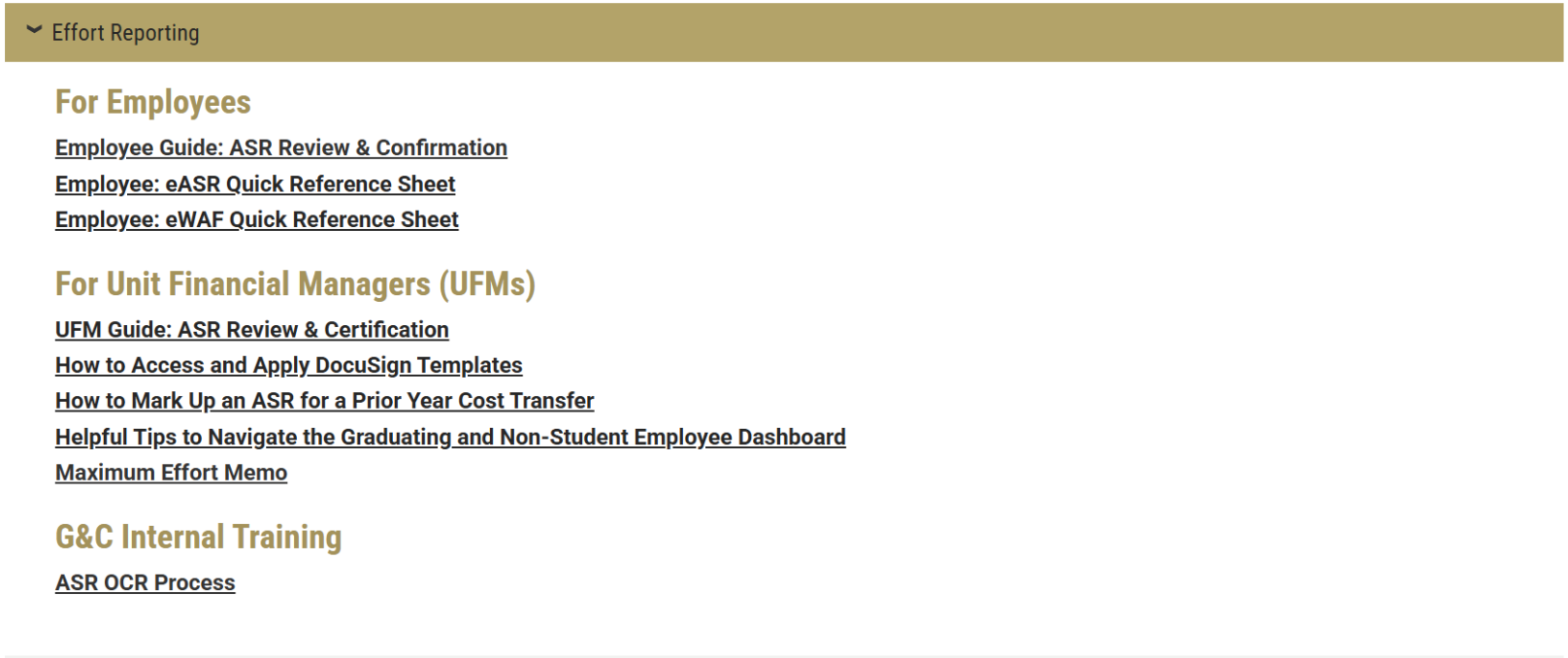
Annual Statement of Reasonableness - Resources

- DocuSign Templates are available to assist with manual signature by employee or firsthand certification if the employee has graduated or left the Institute; electronic confirmation is always preferred
- Please see the May and June Buzz presentation at https://grants.gatech.edu/latest-buzz-gc-accounting for details
- Additional short trainings have been created and posted on our website at https://grants.gatech.edu/training



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New Spend Codes for membership types

- Each quarter, GT is required to report on amount spent for institutional memberships to federal government.
- It is important to be able to distinguish between INDIVIDUAL vs INSTITUTIONAL memberships when posting membership expense.
- For Individual Memberships – please use spend code: SC727130 – Other Operating Expenses – Individual Memberships.
- For Institutional Memberships (NEW) – please use spend code: SC727132 – Other Operating Expenses – Institutional Memberships.

Spend Category Object	Spend Category Hierarchies Objects	Top Level Spend Category Hierarchies	Reference ID	Commodity Detail	Procurement Usage	Expense Usage	Supplier Invoice Usage	Ad Hoc Payment Usage	Allocate Freight	Allocate Other Charges
SC727130 - Other Operating Expense - Individual Memberships	ATHL038 - Memberships & Dues ATHL General & Admin Other Operating Expense	ATHL All Spend Categories ATHL NCAA All Spend Categories GT All Spend Categories	SC727130		Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
SC727132 – Other Operating Expense – Institutional Memberships	ATHL038 - Memberships & Dues ATHL General & Admin Other Operating Expense	ATHL All Spend Categories ATHL NCAA All Spend Categories GT All Spend Categories	SC727132		Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No

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Institutional vs Individual Memberships

- Institutional Memberships – type of membership where the entire university or a specific school/department/unit within the university joins a group or organization rather than individual members.
  - AE has joined the Royal Aeronautical Society (RAeS) to benefit the entire department
  - OSP has become a member of NCURA to benefit the entire department of research administrators
- Individual Memberships – type of membership where an individual from a school/department/unit joins a group or organization.
  - ME wants to send PI to a conference but it's cheaper to buy the membership for the PI because the membership includes a discount to conference fees. The total cost of membership plus conference is cheaper than the conference fees alone.
  - If the department wants to send a PI to a conference without any type of membership, that would be a conference registration expense and NOT a membership expense.
  - School of Engineering pays IEEE membership for a professor
- The school/department/unit typically joins a professional group or organization to gain benefits such as networking, professional development and industry resources such as publications.
- The memberships should have a clear and direct benefit for the institute. For additional information regarding this topic, please visit: Professional Memberships | Controller's Office

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Training Updates

Rob Roy

Director - Sponsored Operations

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Current Professional Development Opportunities

Saba Quest LMS – Sign in with GT credentials and register!

Other courses have been published to the LMS – Check out the Calendar & Learning Catalog!

SELF-PACED / ON-DEMAND COURSES

- *Introduction to the Research Enterprise at GT*
- *What are GTRC and GTARC?*
- *Fun with the FAR*
- *Dfun with the DFARS*
- *NCURA: AI in Research Administration: Unlocking Efficiency and Innovation*
- *NCURA: Avoid "Returned without Review…." An In-depth Look at Agency RFPs*
- *NIH Data Management & Sharing Policy – Budgeting/Application Tips (NCURA)*
- *Managing SBIR/STTR Projects (NCURA)*
- *NIH Proposal Preparation & Review Tips*
- *NIH F Series--Fellowship Programs*
- *NIH Fundamentals (NCURA)*
- *NSF Fundamentals (NCURA)*
- *NSF Proposal Preparation & Review Tips*
- *NSPM-33 Compliance (NCURA)*
- *Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H):*
  - *Introduction and Q&A*
  - *Budget Workshop*
  - *Terms & Conditions Workshop*
- *Service Centers and Best Practices*
- *Service and Recharge Center Costing Strategies Amidst Evolving Federal Funding Policies*
- *Specialized Service Agreements*
- *Subawards - Request, Monitor, Risk*
- *Effort Reporting*
- *Contract Information Systems (CIS)*
- *Cost Share*
- *Cost Transfers*
- *Pivot: Finding Funding*
- *ORCID iD*

GT Certification Contact Hours & CEU credit

RACC
RESEARCH ADMINISTRATORS CERTIFICATION COUNCIL

Approved by RACC to use for your CRA, CPRA, and CFRA recertification hours!

Overview of Internal Certification Programs

- **Basic Certification**
  - Introduction to the Research Enterprise at Georgia Tech
  - What are GTRC & GTARC?
  - Mentor Panel Discussion and Networking

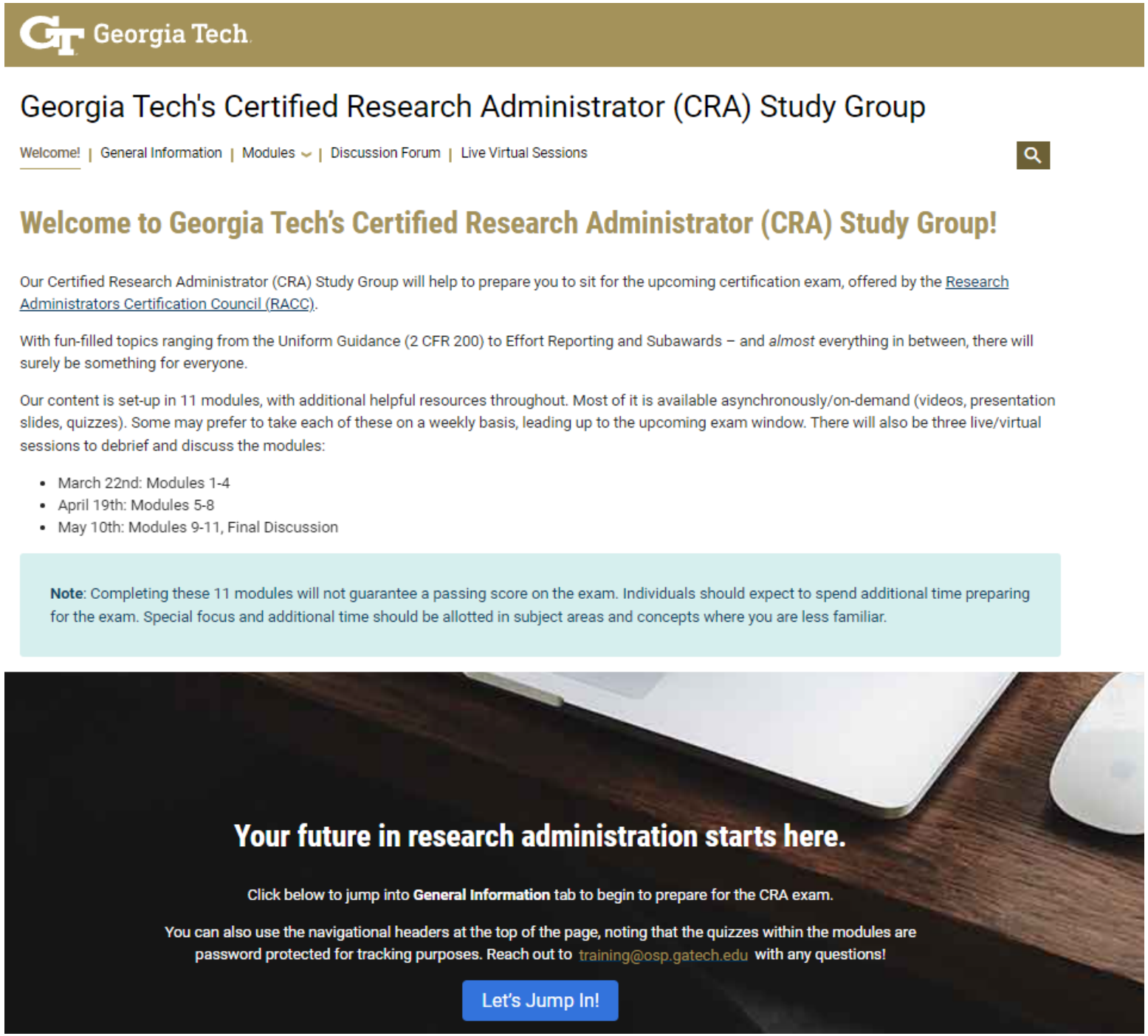
- **Intermediate Certification**
  - Pre-Award Proposal Preparation and Submission
  - Pre-Award Budgeting, IDC, & Cost Principles
  - Pre-Award Activities
  - Post-Award Management & Financial Compliance
  - Post-Award Management & Research Compliance
  - Post-Award Activities
  - Internal Controls Workshop
  - 2 CFR 200 Workshop (or) FAR Webinar Series
  - How To Courses (topic-specific)
  - Georgia Tech Systems Courses
  - Sponsor-Specific Courses

- **Advanced Certification**
  - Advanced Topics: Rethinking the Status Quo
  - Advanced Topics: Audit Findings - Salary
  - Advanced Topics: Audit Findings - Effort
  - Advanced Topics: Allowable & Allocable
  - Advanced Topics: Advanced Budgeting

- **Graduate / Postdoc / Early Career Development Series**
  - Proposal Preparation & Submission Process
  - Budget Preparation
  - Post-Award Management

CRA Study Group at Georgia Tech

https://sites.gatech.edu/gtcra/



At least 5 people from our spring CRA Study Group passed the May Exam!!

NYU's Research Administration Demonstration (RAD) Series

Recent and Upcoming topics include:

Leadership Roles In Research Administration

Post Award Issues For The Departmental Administrator

Recruiting And Identifying New Research Administrators

Running Your Own Institutional Self-Assessment For Research Administration

The Importance Of Storytelling In Making A Business Case For Compliance

Research Award Terms And Conditions – From Negotiation To Adherence And Compliance

Welcome To Our World Of Infinite Possibilities

Post Award Costing And Operations From Project Setup To Closeout

Artificial Intelligence In Higher Education: Legal Framework, Governance, And Use Cases In Research Administration

Breaking Down Silos: Creating Collaborations On Your Campus

Demystifying The Role Of The Institutional Official, Including Mechanisms For Managing Up

Measuring The Impact Of Research – Beyond Citations

Post Award Impacts For The 2024 UG Changes

Developing A Career In Research Administration By Using Your Transferable Skills

F&A Primer

COGR Update & Your Response/Action Items

https://wp.nyu.edu/nyuresearchrad/

CEU Hours Available!

RSVP for upcoming RAD sessions via their online registration.

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SEPTEMBER 25, 2025
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HYBRID EVENT: 11:45AM - 2:00PM
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CLICK HERE TO REGISTER
CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT RECOGNITION DETAILS
Feel free to arrive as early as 11:00 AM to mingle with colleagues, snap some photos, and join in the book signing!

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

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SPEAKER | BEST SELLING AUTHOR

SIGNED BOOK BELOW WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE EVENT

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RAB MEETING

October 9, 2025

Dalney 180 & Virtual

Lunch: 11:30am - 11:45am

Event: 11:45am - 2:00pm

Click HERE to register.

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