



Sponsored Project Administration Procedure

Procedure: Final Financial Report

Owner: Sponsored Project Administrator

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Background

Federal and non-federal sponsor agencies have established clear financial reporting requirements for sponsor awards. They normally require a final financial report or a final invoice to be submitted within a specified period after the project ends. It is based on actual expenditures posted to the general ledger, as well as a reconciliation of payments received. Payment delay or loss of current or future funding may be contingent upon timely and accurate submission of the final financial report.

The University of Vermont agreements. The FFR and the final invoice is a shared responsibility involving the Unit Administrator, Principal Investigator (PI) and Sponsored Project Administration Financial Analyst (SPA FA). It is completed with sponsor terms and conditions.

Roles and Responsibilities

Unit Administrator (UA)

- Liaison with the PI on any activities related to this procedure.
- Ensures the final invoice from the subrecipient is approved by the PI.
- Notifies the SPA FA the project is ready to close, and all expenses are posted to the general ledger before the reporting due date as outlined in the Award terms & conditions.
- Works with SPA FA to resolve any issues discovered during the report preparation.

Sponsored Project Administration – Financial Analyst (FA)

- Completes the financial closeout workbook.
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- Confirms all expenses were incurred within the project period and all effort commitments have been met, works with the Unit Administrator to resolve any issues.
- If any payments previously invoiced remain outstanding. The unpaid balance is recorded on the final report/invoice.
- Confirms all cost share commitments have been met and all documentation has been received at SPA.
- Once the final invoice is approved, creates a Quick Voucher for the Disbursement Center to process the invoice for payment.
- Confirms there are no unpaid vouchers remaining on the award at the time of report preparation.
- Reviews charges to the sponsored fund to ensure the appropriate fringe and F&A rates have been applied.
- Sends an email to the Unit Administrator verifying the award is ready to close and requests justification for any questionable expenses.
- Creates and submits the FFR and/or final invoice in the appropriate sponsor format, if required by the sponsor.
- Completes a final internal report if the sponsor does not require a financial report.
- Submits report/invoice to a SPA Reviewer for review and approval before submitting it to the sponsor.
- Processes a residual balance transfer for any firm fixed price or fixed rate agreements that have an unobligated balance.
- Works with SPA billing team to bill the final expenses in PeopleSoft and invoices the sponsor for any outstanding Accounts Receivable



Third-Party Cost Sharing: Third-party (non-UVM) contributions being formally used to directly support a sponsored project. These may be cash or non-cash contributions.



Procedure

Overall

- The final financial report and invoice are to be completed by the SPA FA within 60-120 days after the project end date. If a sponsor requires that the final report be submitted sooner, the timelines in PeopleSoft will be adjusted accordingly to meet the requirements set forth in the award document.
- Before the submission of the final financial report and invoice, the SPA FA and UA will work together to



If Requesting Carryover of Unobligated Balance

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