



THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE SYSTEM

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

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TO: Chief Business Officers

FROM: Mary Carr McDonald, Controller *Mary Carr McDonald*

DATE: April 15, 2021

SUBJECT: Year-end Closing Procedures and Schedule

Enclosed is the schedule for processing year-end documents for June 30, 2021. This schedule is provided for your information and guidance as you schedule the year-end activities in your areas of responsibility. A pull-off reminder schedule is included as the last page of this document for your convenience. Please remember that our objective is to record all revenues, disbursements and encumbrances in the proper fiscal year.

Payroll Office

All salary or additional/overtime pay to be charged to FY2021 must be paid through the normal payroll cycles prior to July 1, 2021. Personnel Information Forms (PIF's) and pay adjustment forms to be reflected on the June monthly payroll must be received in the Campus HR/Payroll Office by Tuesday, June 15. PIF's for the biweekly pay period ending June 20 are due Wednesday, June 16.

To be included in the current fiscal year, send payroll checks to be cancelled and salary transfer vouchers to the University Payroll Office by noon Tuesday, June 15. Longevity paid in June includes both June and July longevity. The Controller's Office will record wages and benefits in period 12 for the June earnings of the biweekly paid on July 13 and amounts owed to 9-month employees paid over 12 months.

Effort Certification

A final FY2021 payroll will be run on Thursday, July 1, 2021 to process June ECR's and salary transfers.

Cash Receipts

Funds must be recorded in the fiscal year they are received. Funds received in University offices prior to the close of business on June 30 must be deposited on separate bank deposit slips and forwarded with a separate Report of Collections (ZK document) dated June 30, 2021, to be received in the Campus Cashier's Office (Bursar) no later than Tuesday, July 6, 2021 by 9:00 a.m., preferably earlier. Funds received in University offices beginning July 1 and later will be deposited to fiscal year 2022. It is critical that separate bank deposit slips and Report of Collections (ZK document) be processed for funds received after July 1, 2021.

Accounts Receivable

Please remember to ask all your departments to register any accounts receivable with your office. Please instruct all departments in how to handle outstanding June 30 accounts receivable balances at year end, regardless of whether the department has an existing receivable account in IRIS. Also, please remind all departments of the requirements for writing off accounts receivable. All write off requests must be received in the Controller’s Office by July 9.

Accounts Payable Office

Invoices Entered by Departments: All items that are to be charged to fiscal year 2021 must be entered and fully approved by midnight on July 12, 2021. Any items that require final approval by UTSA’s Accounts Payable Office must be entered and approved by the department by July 6, 2021. The “Posting Date” field on the “Enter Vendor Invoice” screen **must be changed to 06/30/2021** for items entered into IRIS after June 30, 2021, that are to be charged to fiscal year 2021. Items entered on or after July 1, 2021, will be charged to the new fiscal year if this posting date is not changed to 06/30/2021. The screen below identifies the correct field to change.

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Basic Data Payment/Withholding Tax

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Invoice date Invoice Nbr
Posting Date 06/30/2021 Assignment
Document type Net vendors Co Code UT University of Tennessee
Amount Discount
Remittance Text
IRIS DocHdr Txt
Document Number

0 Items (Screen Variant : UT Parked Invoices 0100)

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During the fiscal year transition, a department may occasionally encounter date restrictions for invoicing against purchase order commitments. The general rule is that a commitment and the liquidation of that commitment must be in the same fiscal year, so that an FY2022 invoice cannot be entered against an FY2021 purchase order (PO) until the PO has been carried forward into FY2022. The department can either change the *Posting Date* of the invoice to 06/30/2021 (to post into FY2021) or hold the invoice until the commitment has been carried forward. Conversely, an FY2021 invoice cannot be entered against an FY2022 PO. The posting date on the invoice must be changed so that it will post to FY2022 as well.

Items Entered by the UTSA's Accounts Payable and Travel Offices: All travel related invoices, invoices in foreign currencies and other disbursement items normally sent to Accounts Payable for processing must be received in the UTSA's Accounts Payable Office by the close of the third working day in July, which is Tuesday, July 6. The final processing of these documents will be the seventh working day of July, or Monday, July 12.

Items Routed to and approved by Campus Business Offices/Accounts Payable and Travel Offices: All items reviewed and approved by Campus Business Offices and/or the Accounts Payable and Travel Offices (CONCUR travel transactions, 85xxxxxxx contract invoices, miscellaneous reimbursements, T-27 without contracts, etc.) must be in the IRIS inboxes of the CBO/AP/Travel Offices by the close of the third working day in July, which is Tuesday, July 6. The final processing of these documents will be the seventh working day of July, or Monday, July 12.

Procurement Cards: The June cutoff date for purchases made by departmental procurement cards will be June 20, 2021. **Purchases made near to or on June 25 are not guaranteed to be posted to June.** The final date to distribute charges through the procurement card system for the June purchases will be July 12, 2021. The procurement card default account will be charged for all purchases if you are unable to access the procurement card system and distribute and approve the charges by that date. Procurement card purchases made after the billing cycle ends will be charged to the new fiscal year.

Petty Cash: Petty cash funds should be reconciled frequently to ensure that the cash on hand and expenditure receipts equal the amount of the petty cash fund. In addition, the fund must be reconciled at the end of each fiscal year (June 30). Departments will receive a letter, reconciliation forms, and instructions at year end. The forms need to be completed with attached copies of vouchers in transit, bank account statement, and any other information pertaining to the reconciliation. To avoid suspension or fund closure, please submit these forms to the Accounts Payable Office by July 12. Petty cash funds are subject to audit by university and state auditors.

Travel: Any travel ending July 1, 2021, or later, will be charged to FY2022.

Chief Business Officers should arrange for frequent submission of items ready for processing and immediately initiate procedures to obtain proper resolution and disposition of "problem items."

Undelivered Checks

Undelivered Checks that will be more than twenty-one (21) days old at June 30 should be returned to the Office of Finance with the returned envelope. These checks should reach the office indicated below no later than Tuesday, June 15, by noon.

Payroll Checks: Must be returned to the Payroll Office, Room P115, Andy Holt Tower.

Voucher Checks: Must be returned to the Accounts Payable Office, 301 Andy Holt Tower.

Miscellaneous Checks: All financial aid checks and other miscellaneous checks must be returned to the Accounts Payable Office, 301 Andy Holt Tower.

Controller's Office

The schedule established for the various stages of the year-end closing process by the Controller's Office is as follows:

1. Departments may run an "interim" ledger for June 30th at the close of business on Friday, July 2 using IRIS transaction ZDEPT_LEDGER.

The interim ledger will include:

- (a) Invoices which have been entered through Wednesday, June 30.
- (b) Interfaces which have been processed through Wednesday, June 30.
- (c) Regular internal transfer documents (ZDs) which have been processed through Wednesday, June 30.
- (d) SA documents which have been processed through Wednesday, June 30.
- (e) Salary transfer vouchers received by Monday, June 14 will be included in this report.
- (f) Payroll vouchers including the biweekly payroll for the pay period ending June 20, paid on June 29.
- (g) Cash receipts (ZK documents) to the extent they have been accepted for posting. This should include all ZKs except for June 30.
- (h) Interim F&A and settlement as of the June monthly payroll posting.

The "interim" ledgers should be reviewed so that any necessary corrections and/or adjustments can be processed in time to be reflected in accounting period twelve.

2. June 2021, period 13, and July 2021, period 1 of FY2022, will be opened June 21 for purchasing and financial transactions. New year items in hand should not be processed in IRIS until this date.
3. The Accounts Payable office will delete or carry forward all remaining financial payment documents (KN's, RN's, ZU's etc.) on July 13.
4. Any FY2021 parked internal transfers (ZD documents) still on hand at July 13 will be deleted.
5. The accounting close for the month of June (period 12) is scheduled for the fourteenth working day of July, or Wednesday, July 21.

Departments may print final June 30, period 12 monthly ledgers and reports when notified by the Controller's Office. These ledgers will include all regular June (period twelve) transactions for the fiscal year that were generated by invoices, payrolls (including accruals), salary transfers, cash receipts, and all purchasing activity. Internal transfers and journal entries will be included to the extent that they are processed through the Office of Finance by Monday, July 12.

Accounting period 13 is designed for final adjusting and closing entries only. Regular business transactions should be completed by the close of period 12.

6. After the close of June, period 12, only corrections, adjustments, closing transfers and journal entries will be accepted for processing against the current fiscal year records. "Current Unrestricted Funds Balance Sheet", Schedule A-10.1 (formerly known as Schedule "K") can be run any time by the CBO's to assist in closing (IRIS transaction ZFMTR028.)
7. Additional potential restricted and unrestricted accounts payable will be identified and sent by July 26, 2021 to each CBO for confirmation. Restricted payables should receive priority.
8. All journal entries affecting restricted accounts should be received in the Controller's Office by Monday, July 26. Indirect cost adjustments must be received by Monday, July 26. The final automated overhead run will be entered on Monday, August 2 closing restricted accounts.
9. All closing entries for salary and staff benefits including accruals must be received in the Controller's Office by Monday, July 26. After this date no journal entries with salary or wage GL accounts will be processed for fiscal year 2021. All unrestricted closing entries for expense and income accounts (including auxiliaries) must be received in the Controller's Office by Monday, August 2. The Controller's Office will attempt the final closing of this year's records by Monday, August 16. The final ledgers and reports for the year may be printed upon notice from the Controller.

Please contact the Controller's Office immediately at (865) 974-2493 if unusual needs or situations arise which require special handling or consideration and materially impact financial information.

Outstanding Encumbrances

May 3 is the deadline for requisitions and supporting documentation to be submitted to Purchasing. This deadline must be met for purchase orders to encumber funds by June 30.

Due to historical and expected volume this year-end, departments are encouraged to submit all procurement requests (NCJ's - both contract and requisition, requisitions and all supporting documentation) as soon as possible. Beginning on May 3, all requests will be processed in the order received and rush or expedite requests will need to be supported with justification and subject to Purchasing approval.

During the first two weeks of June, all departments must review their purchase requisitions and purchase orders that have an outstanding balance in FY2021, with special attention to those originally dated prior to 07/01/2021. The Commitments Line Items report FMRP_RFFMEP10X can be run with the selection variant/OUTST.PO.REQ and a Fund or Funds center selection; it lists all active purchase requisitions and orders (not all will have a balance), with opportunity to drill down to the original documents. After the department identifies obsolete requisitions and orders (those for goods or services they do not intend to receive or have already received), they must contact their campus purchasing office to close (**not delete**) the documents and notify the vendors.

All commitments not closed by departmental action in FY2021 will be carried forward to FY2022 by the Controller's Office; please note, there is **no** automatic "clean-up" of commitments at year-end. Commitments (requisitions and encumbrances) left open at June 30 are moved to July of the next fiscal year. Requisitions are moved by July 1. Since the new Concur travel system, business trips are no longer encumbered. Purchase orders are moved to the new fiscal year by mid-July. Any budgeted funds associated with commitments are not automatically carried forward to next fiscal year. Each campus is responsible for establishing any budget carryover procedures, and any questions related to carryover should be directed to the campus budget office.

Encumbrances are based on the document date (creation date) of the purchase order. For goods or services that will be delivered after June 30, departments must enter the requisition on or after July 1, so the purchase order will encumber next fiscal year's funds.

All old year PO's are carried forward to the new fiscal year right after the deadline for entering old fiscal year invoices. Encumbrances for departmental funds reservations are carried forward on the same day as PO's.

Reserve for Encumbrances

The Reserve for Encumbrances represents an allocation of the current fund balance equal to material outstanding purchase orders as of June 30. The only purchase orders that should be outstanding at June 30 are those for which funds are available in departmental budgets at year-end.

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The purchase order file, after final June 30 checks have been de-obligated, will be the initial basis for the Reserve for Encumbrances. Each business officer should generate and review their outstanding purchase order list for each budget entity. After eliminating amounts representing purchase order payments which are accrued as accounts payable, the remaining purchase orders in the amount of \$2,000 or more will be used to establish the Reserve for Encumbrances.

CBO's have the option to add purchase orders less than \$2,000 to the reserve by sending an itemized list to the Controller's Office per their campus procedures for the Reserve for Encumbrances. The Controller's Office will eliminate the Reserve for Encumbrances and increase the budget entities' fund balances at the beginning of the new fiscal year.

Closing Remarks

In view of the volume and diversity of transactions which must be processed and recorded during the closing process, it is essential that all Business Offices cooperate fully in the timely submission of closing information.

Please distribute this memorandum to all business personnel in your area who are involved in the year-end closing process in order that they may be aware of the target dates which have been established for the various stages of the closing process. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Attachment

**OFFICE OF FINANCE
SCHEDULE OF YEAR END ACTIVITIES
FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
May 3	- Deadline for requisitions and supporting documentation to be submitted to Purchasing for purchase orders to encumber funds by fiscal year-end
May 14	- FY22 will be opened for purchasing transactions (FM Period)
June 15	- Deadline for June monthly payroll forms - Deadline for salary transfer vouchers - Deadline for payroll checks to be canceled to be returned to Payroll - Deadline for all undelivered checks (over 21 days old) to be returned to the Accounts Payable - Deadline for moving allowances to be paid & posted in this fiscal year - 25 th bi-weekly payroll paid
June 20	- 26th bi-weekly payroll period ends - Last day to make procurement card purchases for FY21
June 21	- Period 13 (FY21) and Period 01 (FY22) will be opened for financial transactions
June 22	- Deadline for FY's 26th bi-weekly payroll forms
June 24	- Interim F&A and settlement is run soon after monthly payroll posts
June 25	- Deadline to distribute, reconcile, marked complete, and approve May 2021 procurement card charges
June 28	- Deadline for departments to enter ECR's and STV's to be charged to June ledgers
June 30	- June monthly payroll paid - Procurement card transactions (for June) available to verify and approve - Requisitions will be moved to July at the end of the day
July 1	- Run extra payroll to include June ECR's and STV's (Final FY21 payroll posting)
July 6	- Deadline for receipt by the UTSA's Accounts Payable Office of all documents entered/processed in IRIS by the Accounts Payable Office including invoices and other disbursement documents - Deadline for receipt into the Workflow Inbox of UTSA's Travel Office of fully approved FY21 CONCUR travel transactions - Deadline for cash receipts to be parked by departments and received in Bursar's Office
July 9	- Deadline for accounts receivable Write-off requests (T-35's)
July 12	- Deadline for Campus Cashier's (Bursar's Office) to post FY21 cash receipts parked by July 6 th - Final posting of FY21 accounting and travel documents by UTSA's Accounts Payable and Travel Offices - Deadline to distribute, reconcile, mark complete, and approve June 2021 procurement card charges - Deadline for processing journal entries that will appear on the period 12 ledgers - Deadline for petty cash reconciliation reports
July 13	- Parked FY21 documents deleted - June accounting period (period 12) is closed for SA document entry and internal transfers - Purchase orders, funds reservations and forecasts of revenue will be moved to July at the end of the day
July 16	- Final Payroll accrual for bi-weekly
July 21	- Period 12 Treasurer's Report and ledgers may be printed following IRIS announcement
July 26	- All loan fund activities should be closed - Deadline for receiving journal entries that affect restricted accounts - Deadline for receiving F&A (indirect cost) adjustments - Deadline for receiving salary and staff benefit closing entries, including accruals
August 2	- Deadline for receiving remaining final unrestricted expense and income journal entries
August 9	- Final campus fund balance adjustments must be received
August 16	- Final close for FY21