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PURPOSE

To describe sponsored project departments

SOURCE

University policy

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Sponsored project departments are established by the <u>Office of Sponsored Projects</u>. They will prepare an activation notice which will be loaded into PeopleSoft Financials.

A sponsored project is a project supported by an external funding source under a mutually binding agreement that restricts the use of funds to the approved project and stipulates other conditions with which the university must comply. Sponsored projects typically:

- 1. are initiated by a formal proposal and award notice
- 2. are restricted to a particular purpose as described in the proposal
- 3. require technical and/or financial reports
- 4. entail other administrative requirements.

In some situations it may not be clear if a new department is a sponsored project. The presence of one or more of the following conditions indicates that an department might be a sponsored project:

- 1. provides funding for limited duration
- 2. specifies use of funds
- 3. indicates need for accounting or financial reporting
- 4. involves human subjects, animal models, hazardous materials
- 5. restricts the use of funds
- 6. may require the return of residual funds
- 7. involves intellectual property issues
- 8. involves commitment of university personnel or resources
- 9. obligates the institution to perform
- 10. requires billing to receive funds
- 11. has audit and/or record retention requirements
- 12. requires a technical report on program outcomes
- 13. provides equipment
- 14. requires a formal document with signatures of the parties, and

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15. involves federal, state, or other "public" funds.

For Departments with one or more of the foregoing conditions, please contact the <u>Office of Sponsored Projects</u> for a determination about whether the funds should be accounted for in a sponsored project Department.

CROSS-REFERENCES

For information on department structures, see CMP 201, Department Structures.

For information on establishing departments, other than for a sponsored project, see <u>CMP 202</u>, Establishment of Departments.

For information on establishing a sponsored project department, contact the Office of Sponsored Projects.