Collaborator Contribution

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On July 1, UGA will transition away from Academic Credit and adopt “Collaborator Contribution,” a new method for apportioning credit. Today will answer these questions:

- Why make this change?
- What benefits should we expect?
- What is next?
Guiding Principle

The guiding principle for this change is to create a single, simplified method for measuring **intellectual and infrastructure** contributions to sponsored projects.
Today, Academic Credit allocations are entered on the screen shown below and are used to apportion credit in sponsored reports. After July 1, this screen will no longer be part of proposal development.
Why make this change?

We received reports of individuals coming to meetings prepared to discuss specific data, but then the other attendee brought different data.

For example, if the Dept. Head is looking at academic credit reports while the PI is looking at indirect cost reports, it creates confusion and takes up their time unnecessarily.
Why make this change?

Put simply, our historical method does not provide a single method or adequate guidance to PIs and administrators regarding which numbers to value when tracking sponsored project productivity.
Working Group Requests

1. Create a standardized method for apportioning credit
2. Improve reporting tools
Collaborator Contribution combines indirect cost distribution with credit distribution to create a new, simplified way of measuring intellectual and infrastructure contributions.
Today versus Future State

### Collaborator Contribution

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<td>David Okech</td>
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<td>Lydia Alertranis</td>
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<td>Mary Ager</td>
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<td>Laura Zimmermann</td>
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What isn’t changing?

You can still log into the Grants Portal and request updates to:
- Collaborators,
- Financial department IDs, and
- Contributor percentages.

Additionally, IDC distribution remains unchanged.
What are the benefits?

New suite of reporting tools:

- Proposal, award and expenditure trends
- View at college, department or investigator level
- Ability to drill down
- Incorporate Center & Institute credit
- List of all investigators in a dept. on one page
# Individual Investigator Report

**University of Georgia**

**Individual Investigator Report**

This report displays an investigator's sponsored activity for the last 5 Fiscal Years. All dollar amounts are allocated by Collaborator Contribution.

**Select Filters**

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**Active Awards Allocated by Collaborator Contribution (CC)**

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<td>Addressing issues with thrips and Tomato spotted wilt virus management in Tobacco</td>
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<td>Development of pre-season risk prediction model to facilitate area wide pest management of whitefly transmitted viruses of vegetables in the Southeastern US</td>
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<td>Exploring genome-based management options for thrips and TSWV in peanut production</td>
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The individual investigator report should be available later this summer. Additional features coming soon...

- Department and College drill down
- Toggle to show total values (not just CC %)
- Center & Institute credit
- List of all investigators in a department
Research Enterprise Expenditures Report

• This **new report** displays research and development expenditures across the University, with the ability to filter by major unit or financial department.

• **Benefits**: View trends by major unit, financial department, sponsor, funding type, etc.
We’ve created an informational page about Collaborator Contribution, complete with an FAQ list, to help explain the new methodology.

**COLLABORATOR CONTRIBUTION**

To provide administrators and individual investigators with a single methodology for tracking contributions on sponsored projects, on July 1, 2023, UGA will transition from Academic Credit to a new methodology called Collaborator Contribution. This change is the result of recommendations made by multi-year working groups composed of college, school and other unit representatives.

**KEY BENEFITS**

- **Simplification**: Proposal submissions will no longer require Academic Credit and will attribute Collaborator Contribution based upon IBD distribution.
- **Standardization**: UGA will adopt a single methodology for measuring contributions to use across reporting tools.
- **Improved reporting**: Collaborator Contribution will enable new reporting tools at the college, department, investigator and center/institute levels.

**REPORTING IMPROVEMENTS**

- **Coming July 2023**: The new Individual Investigator Report will use the new Collaborator Contribution allocation method and show year-over-year trends in proposals, awards, and expenditures at the investigator level.
- **Also coming in 2023**: Additional reporting tools will be released showing the same proposal, award and expenditure information at the college, department and center/institute levels.

**FAQs**

**View Data Before/After (May Require VPN)**

**How to Interpret the Before/After Data**
## What’s next?

### TIMELINE (2023)

- **April 12 – May 10**: Staff members supporting researchers will conduct an initial review of migrated Collaborator Contribution allocations and request any necessary edits.

- **May 10 – May 31**: Investigators can perform an additional review of migrated Collaborator Contribution allocations and request edits.

- **June 1 – June 15**: Deans and Chief Business Officers will review and approve any requested Collaborator Contribution changes.

- **July 1**: New Collaborator Contribution methodology goes into effect for all active projects.
To Summarize

The guiding principle for this change is to create a single, simplified method for measuring sponsored projects contributions that accounts for *intellectual and infrastructure* contributions to the project.

You can expect improved reporting and more clarity around the “right” numbers to monitor.
Q & A
THANK YOU