# University of Maine System UMM-UM Primary Partnership Task Team Charter on Administration

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The primary objective of this task team is to study administrative service functions and determine which areas have the best opportunity for collaboration, consolidation, unification, or other arrangements that will reduce administrative costs and increase organizational effectiveness at University of Maine (UM) and the University of Maine at Machias (UMM) while maintaining or improving the student experience and services at UMM.

A comprehensive list of administrative service functions that were common to both UM and UMM was provided to the team. The team then selected five primary administrative areas to study for the initial July 6, 2016 report to the Chancellor. These areas include:

- 1. Admissions
  - a. Registrar
  - b. Bursar
  - c. Financial Aid
- 2. Marketing/Communications
- 3. Human Resources
- 4. Student Affairs
- 5. Research Administration

Four secondary areas were selected for study (International Student Recruitment and Support, Internship Support, Research and Commercialization, Information Technology) for a subsequent report to the Chancellor.

UMM and UM representatives from each of the primary administrative areas met with the team and described key functions and daily operations of their offices. Each group then met to determine efficiencies and potential integration of administration functions. They were asked to draft a report that would include:

- List of key functions
- Proposed integration (by function) and budget implications
- Implementation requirements and timeline
- Benchmarks and measures

### **OVERALL RECOMMENDATIONS**

Each of the subcommittees have identified efficiencies and potential cost savings through the review of key functions. The recommendations can be summarized as follows:

- 1. Existing UMM staff may be trained in relevant or adaptable current protocols and procedures by UM staff while verifying that appropriate APLs are followed (or that APLs are appropriately edited and/or eliminated); little to no resources would be required.
- 2. Existing UM staff may assume additional duties to assist UMM staff; resources would be required.
- 3. When redundancies in key office functions are identified, a decision may have to be made to eliminate or reorganize so that the redundancy is eliminated and a cost savings is realized.
- 4. A global MOU with master language should be created with a separate agreement for each functional area.
- 5. An audit or assessment of each functional area will be completed in a timely manner to track progress and efficacy.

### **KEY RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **Enrollment Management**

- General guidance/consultation regarding the UMM Admissions operation by UM Interim Vice President for Enrollment Management
- Management of out-of-state recruiting efforts on behalf of both UM and UMM

### Registrar

- Match standard course time blocks (dependent of Academic Team outcomes)
- Obtain software for UMM catalog database to match UM
- Obtain software for curriculum approval process for both UM and UMM

#### **Bursar Office**

- Management of Student Health Insurance Program Billing/Remittance common business process
- Develop Past Due Account Collection/Collection Agency Referral common business
   practices

### **Financial Aid**

- Alignment of business processes where appropriate, including PeopleSoft setup and processing
- Streamline forms that are used for the same purpose so edits can more easily be made for both campuses

#### Marketing/Communications

- Overhaul UMM website, both for recruitment/marketing and intranet
- Develop stories to promote unique strengths of institutions

#### Human Resources

- Director of HR for UM to serve as Director for UMM, reporting to Chief HR Officer of the System with dotted lines to the President of UM and to the top official of UMM
- An HR Business Officer at UM to spend 40%-50% effort at UMM or from UM to provide strategic and operational HR support
- The HR Director, other HR Business Partners, or admin staff from UM will supplement the primary assigned HRBP

#### **Student Affairs**

• Inclusion of UMM in UMaine student affairs leadership meetings and provide open access for consultation and support

#### **Research Administration**

• ORSP to serve as UMM's sponsored programs office. A Memorandum of Understanding which remains to be articulated and/or approved describes the roles of each branch campus

### TIME SENSITIVE ITEMS

#### **Enrollment Management**

- July 7, 2016: UM's Interim Vice President for Enrollment Management will be the Consulting Director of UMM Admissions Office on a six-month contract
- August 1, 2016: Associate Director of UMM Admissions Office will be appointed.

#### **Bursar Office**

- July 1, 2016: Begin GL reconciliation assistance for period ending 6/30/2016
- July 15, 2016: Begin review of past due account collection procedure process

#### Human Resources

- Mid-July, 2016: Communications to campus regarding HR changes and access to HR services
- August, 2016: Initiate Manager training and continue work on process flow

#### **Student Affairs**

- Immediate: Training, purchasing, consultation, and support services to be extended to UMM from UM
- Summer 2016: UMM and UM staff meet for a review of current practices to achieve integrated, effective, and efficient services

• Summer 2016: Reporting and Collaboration Agreement to be discussed and implemented

### **NOTES**

- 1. The administrative integration of several of the offices will be dependent on the outcomes of the Academic Team. In particular, the recommendations for the Registrar's subcommittee report will depend on a number of factors including which information technology support system is chosen for the UMM office.
- 2. This report assumes that UM and UMM partnership leaders are co-accountable for strategic outcomes at UMM, and therefore each will consult with the other regarding organizational changes that may impact their collaboration. For example, in the event that an employee relocates or retires from UMM, it is recommended that UMM not fill the position without first consulting with the UM counterpart. Similarly, UMM counterpart leaders should be consulted on UM organizational changes that would impact UMM.

### **BACKGROUND AND CHARTER**

- The UM-UMM Primary Partnership charge is for the two institutions to develop a pathway that moves both forward in a mutually advantageous way (Task Team Charter in Appendix 1). The goals of this Partnership include building on *One University* principles to take advantage of synergies that can develop across multiple administrative units, achieving better levels of service and/or economies of scale that more than offset any associated expenses.
- This Task Team is to study the administrative services functions and determine which areas have the best opportunity for collaboration, consolidation, unification, or other arrangements that will reduce administrative costs, increase organizational effectiveness and/or student services/success, including recruitment and retention and overall brand enhancement.

### Team

- The Administration Task Team (ATT) members are:
  - o Carol Kim, Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate School
  - o Jeff St. John, Senior Associate Provost for Academic Affairs
  - o Robert Dana, Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students
  - Melvin Adams, Dean of Enrollment and Student Services (replaced by Kay Kimball, Provost)
  - o Amy Lentz, Executive Assistant to the President
  - o Marianne Thibodeau, Director of the Library
  - Consultant to the group: Larry Lewellen
  - Group facilitator: Dave Stevens

### **Process Utilized**

The team was provided with a list of key administrative functions common to both campuses. The list was then transformed into a matrix (Appendix 2) to serve as an evaluation tool for each of the team members to score the effect of the administrative function on organizational effectiveness, economy of scale, the student experience, financial impacts, personnel impacts, and brand impacts from the perspective of their campus. The scores were compiled, shared with the committee and discussed as a group. From this matrix, a list of primary and secondary priorities were established as follows:

Primary Priorities - Phase I

- 1. Admissions
  - a. Registrar
  - b. Bursar
  - c. Financial Aid
- 2. Marketing/Communications
- 3. Human Resources
- 4. Student Affairs
- 5. Research Administration

Secondary Priorities – Phase II

- 1. International Student Recruitment and Support
- 2. Internship Support
- 3. Research and Commercialization
- 4. Information Technology (due to a temporary reduction in UMM IT staff, this priority is already being addressed by Dick Thompson and his staff)

Although not originally identified as a primary priority, the offices of the Registrar, Financial Aid, and the Bursar were included in this first report because Admissions is so closely tied to the functions of these other offices. In response to the time constraints confronting the Administrative Task Team, it was decided to tackle the list of administrative functions by priority for the Chancellor's report due July 6, 2016.

Each UMM and UM functional administrative area was asked to meet with the Administrative Task Team to discuss the key functions of their offices. They were then asked to meet together to determine efficiencies and potential integration of administration functions. The findings for each functional area can be found in the next section of this report.

### Findings

The following are the subcommittee reports from the functional administrative areas:

- 1. Enrollment Management
  - a. Registrar
  - b. Bursar
  - c. Financial Aid
- 2. Marketing/Communications
- 3. Human Resources
- 4. Student Affairs
- 5. Research Administration

#### 1. Enrollment Management

#### **Key Functions**

- 1. Recruitment
  - Travel during fall and spring
  - Historic application data by region and/or school
  - High School Visits
  - College fairs
  - Transfer fairs
  - Transfer transcript review days
  - Parent information nights
  - Mock interviews
  - Application review days
  - Transcript review days
- 2. Admissions
  - Communication plan
  - Invitations for events
  - Follow up for inquiries
  - Follow up for missing documents with applicants
  - Email and letter campaigns by academic program
  - Decision letters
  - Application processing
  - Document verification
  - File review
  - Application review day processing
  - General phone and email response
  - Merit scholarship calculations and determinations
  - Creation of new communication plans as needed

### 3. Marketing

- Search name purchases
- Search piece design
- Travel piece design
- View book design
- Travel video creation
- Commercial creation
- All brochure and publication design
- Student marketing

- 4. Yield Events
  - Open House
  - Accepted Student Days
  - Summer Orientation
  - Fall Welcome Weekend
  - Spring Orientation
  - Campus tours
  - High School visits to campus
  - Guidance counselor updates/receptions
  - Alumni receptions and social events
  - Out of state evening receptions
  - Counselor conferences

### **Proposed Integration and Budget Implications**

UM's Interim Vice President for Enrollment Management will serve in the role of Consulting Director of UMM Admissions Office on a six-month contract (starting July 7, 2016), renewable for up to six additional months.

Responsibilities:

- General guidance/consultation regarding the UMM Admissions operation and its evolving shape and direction (subject to presidential approval of any major changes in budget allocation, staffing, and/or operation*]*;
- Management/direction of out-of-state recruiting efforts by UM admissions recruitment team on behalf of both UM and UMM;
- Implementation of UM/UMM 2+2 admissions program as identified by the chief academic officers at UM and UMM;
- Oversight/management of generation of promotional materials, including a revised viewbook and a recruitment TV slot;
- Provide guidance, direction, and advice to the UMM Associate Director of Admissions;
- Inform and consult with the UMM president regarding collaborative admissions efforts.

Associate Director of UMM Admissions Office will be appointed on a fixed-length, year-long renewable contract (starting August 1, 2016). The AD will be drawn from UM's Enrollment Management leadership team and will be guaranteed return rights to the UM Admissions operation at the end of one year.

Responsibilities:

- Managing/Directing day-to-day operation of the UMM Admissions Office
- Supervision, direction and development of UMM Admissions staff
- Overseeing Admissions Office budget
- Directing regional and in-state recruitment for UMM
- Serving as a member of the UMM President's Cabinet
- Reporting to and keeping the UMM president informed regarding admissions efforts and results

- Helping to plan and oversee the generation of admissions promotional materials
- Coordinating in-state and out-of-state admissions efforts related to UMM
- Collaborating with UMaine regarding 2+2 admissions efforts
- Serving and representing UMM on the UMS Enrollment Management group

Reporting structure:

- The UMM president will retain on-going oversight responsibility for all aspects of the UMM Admissions office and operations and must approve any major changes therein. Both the consulting director and the senior associate director will keep her informed with regular updates and opportunities for her to provide input.
- The Consulting Director reports (dotted line) to the UMM president in an advisory, informational, and consultative capacity and seeks her approval for any major changes to the UMM admissions operation. He is not authorized to make any personnel changes/decisions but can provide recommendations to the AD and the president (who has final authority regarding personnel changes).

The Associate Director reports directly to the UMM president and serves on the UMM President's Cabinet. She works collaboratively with other members of the PC and has direct managerial authority and responsibility for the admissions staff and budget. She works collaboratively with the Consulting Director who provides direction, support, and advice/recommendations.

#### **Benchmarks and Measures**

- Increased applications to UMM
- Increased enrollments at UMM
- Larger fall 2017 first-year class at UMM

#### **1.a. Student Records/Registrar's Office**

#### **Key Functions**

- 1. Maintain Curriculum
  - Maintain catalog course data and all curriculum changes
  - Class Scheduling; Final Exam Scheduling; Events/Ad hoc Scheduling
  - Classroom Inventory
  - Build and Maintain Degree Audits
  - Course Registration Set up
- 2. Maintain Students' Records
  - Implement program changes; Advisor Changes
  - Term Cancellations & Withdrawals; Course Withdrawals
  - Leaves of Absence; Study Away
  - Transfer Credit processing; Apply Degree Audit Exceptions; Process Grade Changes
  - Name, Address Changes
  - Transcript Production; Degree Verifications; Enrollment Verifications
  - Requests for amendments to students' records
  - Immunization tracking
- 3. End of Term Processing
  - Create Grade Rosters; Lapsing process for Incompletes; Repeat process
  - Graduation processing; Academic Standing; Honors & Awards
- 4. Technical Maintenance
  - Additional MaineStreet tables
  - NSC Enrollment and Degree Verify transmissions
  - Infosilem set-up and maintenance
  - MaineStreet Security
  - Office Website
  - Reporting
  - ImageNow Document system
  - SIS Modifications
  - Quarterly Patch Testing
- 5. Communication
  - Newsletter/Calendar
  - Confidentiality
- 6. Other
  - Athletic Eligibility
  - New England Regional Student Program
  - Veterans Benefits

#### **Proposed Integration**

Kimberly Page (UM), Linda Reid (UM) and Mary Stover (UMM) met to review the list of functions performed in each Registrar's Office. A summary of the functions and relevant information about the process for each of the two offices was created. Possible areas of collaboration, and areas where no efficiencies would be gained, were identified under both the current structure of two institutions, and with two curricula and two sets of academic policies (Appendix 3).

The collaborative work being carried out by the Academic Team focused on alignment of UM's and UMM's curricula will hopefully yield additional efficiencies. We recognize that the work required to implement a modified curriculum will require a considerable amount of implementation time, given the work required to transform all of the necessary database structures. Depending on the scope of the project, we estimate that at least one year's advance notice would be required for any such implementation, since Student Records is always working on catalog and schedule planning at least a year in advance.

We also understand that the UM Office of Student Records and the UMM Registrar's Office will need to work together to implement database solutions to support the academic collaborations that are still being developed by both institutions' faculty.

We did identify four possible areas where collaboration might work to enhance services to students and/or to increase efficiencies:

- <u>Diploma Production.</u> UMM currently orders diplomas from Jostens in Minnesota. Orders are usually placed twice a year in order to minimize shipping and handling costs. Orders for back-dated or specially configured diplomas also incur additional charges. We would like to explore the possibility of the UM Office of Student Records producing diplomas for UMM. If this can be done more cheaply, there would be savings to the budget. It would also allow a faster turn-around time for diplomas. If explorations prove that this item is feasible, then diplomas for UMM's May 2017 graduates may be able to be ordered through the UM Office of Student Records. The UMM Academic Affairs Office picks up the cost of this item. It is anticipated that UMM would pay the UM Office of Student Records for this service.
- 2. <u>Matching Standard Time Blocks</u>. UMM will explore the possibility of modifying its standard time block structure to match UM's recently adopted model so that the Infosilum course scheduling system may be considered. Adoption of the same standard time blocks would increase the possibilities for faculty collaborations and make it possible for students at either campus to fit designated "collaborative" courses into their schedules. Making such a change would require the input and approval of UMM faculty, and would need to be approved by early February for a Fall 2017 implementation.
- 3. <u>Catalog Database</u>. The UM Office of Student Records is currently using third-party software to maintain all catalog information. We recommend looking into the cost of adding an additional license so that the same type of catalog information could be stored

and used by UMM to publish an online catalog. Maintenance of the biennial catalog is currently done manually using MS Word. It's anticipated that the additional cost could well be a prohibitive factor.

4. <u>Curriculum Approval Process</u>. The UM Office of Student Records and the UMM Registrar's Office would both like to see a work-flow process implemented to track curriculum approvals and changes. The process is currently a manual, paper-based process at both institutions. The UM Office of Student Records is currently exploring the product of a third-party vendor that would considerably enhance the efficiency of the process for faculty, approving administrators and the Registrar's/Records Offices.

### **Implementation Requirements and Timeline**

- Look into cost of additional license for Acalog
- Investigate possibility of using third party software to track curriculum approvals (to feed into Acalog)
- UMM look into possibility of adopting UM time blocks for easier faculty collaborations; student scheduling opportunities
- Explore cost-effectiveness of diplomas being produced by UM Office of Student Records
- Consider under Institutional Research area.
- Already collaborating through UMS Registrars' group
- UMM relies on work of OSR office in this area

### Measures of success should include:

- 1. Actual alignments that can be achieved in time blocks, course catalogs, etc.
- 2. Efficiencies gained or costs introduced
- 3. Enhancement of student experience, at least by anecdotal information
- 4. Degree to which these changes support or inhibit potential academic integration

#### 1.b. Bursar Office

#### **Key Functions**

- 1. Student tuition and fee assessment
- 2. Application of student waivers, payments and financial aid
- 3. Refunding of excess financial aid to students
- 4. Student billing and collection
- 5. MaineStreet System Table setup and maintenance
- 6. Customer Service/Communications
- 7. Management of Third Party Contracts and Billing
- 8. Management of Student Health Insurance Program Billing/Remittance
- 9. General Ledger Account Reconciliation
- 10. Past Due Account Collection
- 11. TouchNet E-Commerce Management
- 12. Banking/Credit Card Management

#### **Proposed Integration**

Integration of most student financials related functions will require thorough revision of business process to reach a greater degree of commonality. Historically, each campus has worked independently to create business process that fits their individual needs and capabilities. Resolving the differences will be necessary for a successful full integration.

The following key functions are targeted for potential integration under this proposed partnership. The degree of business process review and revision required greatly impacts the timing and is indicated for each area. There are no specific budget implications identified other than to state that the UMM Student Financials area is severely under-staffed (estimated 1 FTE required), resulting in a work schedule difficult to sustain and leaving some key administrative functions not supported as they should be. We have identified several areas where the UM staff can begin to help to fill some of that gap with existing resources.

- 1. Management of Student Health Insurance Program Billing/Remittance Common business process exists, although there would still be some duplication of effort until the 2017/18 academic year.
- 2. Past Due Account Collection/Collection Agency Referral Common business practices need to be developed to achieve a fully integrated process. Once commonality in procedure is achieved, a fully integrated approach will require little additional effort.
- 3. General Ledger Account Reconciliation Common business practices exist. UM can provide the expertise, but without a complete integration, this will involve duplication of effort.

4. TouchNet E-Commerce Management

With some minor revisions in business process, this can become a fully integrated process, involving little or no extra effort by UM staff.

#### **Implementation Requirements and Timeline**

UM Bursar staff will need appropriate system access to UMM student accounts, general ledger accounts, bank accounts and insurance data.

Proposed	Timeline
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Date	Description
July 1, 2016	• Begin GL reconciliation assistance for period ending 6/30/2016
July 15, 2016	<ul> <li>Begin review of past due account collection procedure process to achieve common practices</li> <li>Begin integrated TouchNet e-commerce payment transaction processing</li> <li>UM begins processing daily health insurance updates</li> </ul>
November 1, 2016	• Begin review of other key functions where commonality may be achieved, leading to further integration
February 1, 2017	Implement integrated past due account collection     process

Suggested measures include:

- (a) Past due account aging statistics will be used to identify success of an integrated collection approach.
- (b) Degree to which common accounting methods enhance or inhibit the UMM/UM leader partnership and decision-making
- (c) Synergies gained or costs increased
- (d) Degree to which these integration efforts support or inhibit academic integration

### **1.c. Financial Aid**

#### **Key Functions**

- 1. Processing of financial aid applications and completion of federal verification.
- 2. Needs analysis and financial aid packaging.
- 3. Disbursement of financial aid to student accounts.
- 4. Evaluate appeals for special circumstances that may result in increased financial aid.
- 5. Evaluate students according to institutional Satisfactory Academic Progress policies and adjust aid as necessary.
- 6. Complete Return to Title IV calculations for students who withdraw from the institution, and return funds as necessary to the federal Department of Education and state of Maine.
- 7. Manage all federal and state aid programs including Pell grants, state grants, SEOG, Federal Work-Study, Perkins loans, Direct loans and PLUS loans.
- 8. Manage all institutional aid programs including merit scholarships, need-based aid, athletic aid, department/college scholarships and other institution specific programs.
- 9. Manage the processing of alternative/private loans for students.
- 10. Reconcile major fund accounts on a monthly basis.
- 11. Complete various reports and surveys for government and outside agencies.
- 12. Process aid for students taking summer courses.
- 13. Maintain all related communications and forms, as well as the website.
- 14. Participate in events for students such as Open Houses and Orientation.
- 15. Administer the SALT program.

### **Proposed Integration**

- 1. Alignment of business processes where appropriate, including PeopleSoft setup and processing.
- 2. Streamline forms that are used for the same purpose so edits can more easily be made for both campuses.
- 3. Utilize the same resources to generate reports and surveys.
- 4. Collaborate on training opportunities.
- 5. Utilize staff from both campuses to stay up to date on federal and state policy.
- 6. Cross-campus participation on University and UMS committees.
- 7. Utilize the breadth and depth of knowledge from the UM staff to support the single professional staff member located in UMM.

### **Implementation Requirements and Timeline**

Financial aid is in a unique situation compared to other administrative areas. UM and UMM began collaborating in January 2016 after the Director of Financial Aid at UMM resigned. We agreed to initiate the partnership on a trial basis so that we could determine its feasibility and how it would impact staffing levels, performance and student service. After the first couple of months it was clear that both offices felt the partnership was workable, and we quickly found ways to streamline processes and collaborate to get the work done.

In January 2016, Sarah Doheny was added to the Participation Agreement for UMM as Director of Financial Aid and Connie Smith was established as the lead in coordinating communication

and daily work. We've spent the last six months evaluating each business process as we move through the annual cycle, and identifying opportunities for improvement and efficiency. Over those six months we have successfully achieved many of the items on the 'Proposed Integration' list.

The current state is that we are essentially functioning as one office. We support each other as we work through the financial aid cycle. The staff in UM provide support for the Assistant Director at UMM as needed to troubleshoot issues, learn new program areas and make professional judgements. We have attended each other's orientation events and will provide physical coverage in UMM when the Assistant Director is on vacation. An UM staff member will serve on the SAP Appeals Committee for UMM. We have worked together to develop forms, communications and publications. Staff members from UM and UMM, representing multiple functional areas, have jointly served on a search committee to hire an Administrative Specialist for UMM Financial Aid and Billing. The Assistant Director in UMM will join UM staff meetings via Google Hangout so we can keep up to date on what is happening in both offices and discuss policy and procedure issues that impact both campuses.

Moving forward we will continue to build on this integration. So far it has been accomplished with much success.

### **Benchmarks and Measures**

- Ensure that critical processes are happening in a timely matter, i.e. FAFSA processing, verification, packaging and reconciliation.
- Complete annual Fiscal Operations Report and Application to Participate (FISAP) by Department of Education deadline.
- Appropriate fiscal year-end adjustments are made no later than June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Students, faculty and staff report being satisfied by the level of service from each financial aid office.
- A travel budget in the range of \$7,000-\$10,000 will be required, to be funded by UMS HR

### **Budget Implications**

Again, we are in a unique situation because a full-time staff member from UMM resigned, and current staff from UM have stepped in to fill the gaps. To date UMM has realized a savings of what equates to \$72,000 annually or \$6,000 a month. That will increase beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> when the UMM ends its contract with Chris Bell at a rate of \$12,000 annually, or \$1,000 per month. Existing staff at UMM, and the staff at UM, will take over the work Chris Bell was doing.

### 2. Marketing/Public Relations

#### **Key Functions**

- 1. News and media relations (with all associated design and content)
  - Press releases
  - Social media
  - Institutional magazines/newsletters
- 2. Internal communications
- 3. Website design and content
- 4. Marketing materials (non-recruitment related)

### **Proposed Integration**

UM's Marketing & Communications and UMM's Public Relations/Marketing offices primarily focus on external and internal communications, marketing and website content. Marketing targeted toward recruitment is a function addressed in the Admissions/Enrollment offices at both institutions.

The UMM Office of Public Relations has one employee, who currently works 10 hours per week. Due to time restrictions, UMM's public relations work is confined to press releases, limited communications (e.g. campus event notifications), and updates on social media. UM's Division of Marketing and Communications staff has expertise in website development, design, photography and videography. In addition, UM's extensive contacts in the media can help broaden the scope of UMM's marketing reach.

The subcommittee proposes integration in the following areas, which were deemed to be high priorities:

1. Website Content

UMM's website is currently undergoing a major overhaul. Phase I of the project, a completely redesigned site focused on recruitment and marketing, is scheduled to go live on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Phase II of the project will focus on upgrading UMM's intranet site. The subcommittee recommends that Mike Kirby, UM's manager of digital communications, coordinate with UMM's IT contact sited in Farmington to work with UMM staff doing web-related management and maintenance to help address existing and foreseeable web-related needs, including content management, search optimization, web analytics and back-end virtual server space. A digital projects specialist, level of FTE yet to be defined, and who is dedicated to UMM as a member of the UM digital communications team under Mike Kirby's management, is recommended. This position would leverage the resources, expertise and team synergy that has resulted in the past 18 months of UM's work on the next generation of umaine.edu.

### Long term resource impact:

Additional funding for a digital communications position dedicated to UMM and compensation for the manager's added responsibility in overseeing UMM web, (job description, duties, %FTE, reporting structure and total cost to be determined).

#### 2. Marketing

The majority of UMM's marketing strategy is focused on recruitment. The subcommittee strongly feels that further discussion about marketing should be postponed until the Admissions/Enrollment integration has developed further.

The subcommittee agrees, however, that there are opportunities to develop stories focused on unique programs at each institution that will highlight student opportunities available at both campuses. Such marketing will also promote the partnership. Members of both offices will work together to identify and produce these stories to be distributed to a broad audience.

Lastly, UM has carefully cultivated relationships with media outlets that have not traditionally published UMM stories. UM can help broaden UMM's audience outside of Washington County.

Resource impact: Little to none

3. Design Services

UMM currently outsources most of its design needs on a job-by-job basis. UM has a team of designers with access to the latest design software. With the use of UMM's Style Guide, UM design experts can help format marketing materials, reports, presentations and publications.

Resource impact: It is anticipated that UMM will not utilize UM's design services enough to have a significant impact.

4. Photography & Videography Services

UMM also outsources its limited use of photographic and video materials. UM has negotiated contracts with both photographers & videographers who work on a project basis. UMM may be able to take advantage of better rates to obtain updated photos and produce videos to be used in marketing, including recruitment marketing as appropriate.

Resource impact: Potential cost savings for UMM

#### **Integration Requirements and Timeline**

The above recommendations have broad support from marketing staff at both institutions, and work on the above proposals can begin almost immediately. The Subcommittee agreed that keeping at least one half time FTE public relations staff at UMM is important to market UMM's unique identity as Maine's Coastal University, to coordinate internal communications and to help generate stories regarding the partnership.

Further discussion on collaboration with admissions recruitment (if deemed appropriate) is needed. Funding for a web technician should also be discussed in the coming months.

#### **Benchmarks and Measures**

- Website Content Benchmark: Launch of a fully functioning website Measures: Normal metrics for web utilization and audience reach
- 2. Marketing Benchmark: Increased media coverage at both institutions Measures: None specified
- Design Services Benchmark: None specified Measures: Satisfaction of UMM leadership with UM design services
- Photography & Videography Services
   Benchmark: None specified
   Measures: Potential cost reductions for UMM without loss of perceived quality

### 3. Human Resources Report

#### **Key Functions**

- 1. Cabinet Leadership
- 2. Strategic HR Consulting
- 3. Position Control
- 4. Recruitment
- 5. Performance Consulting, Workforce Management
- 6. Payroll
- 7. Equal Opportunity
- 8. Title IX Coordination
- 9. Benefits Enrollment and Counseling

### **Proposed Integration**

It should be noted that the Human Resources functions across the System have gone through an Administrative Review and have been organized into a pattern of staffing and functions that report directly to the Chief HR Office of the UM System, with a dotted line to the campus Presidents. There are already positions at the System, or in the Centers of Excellence, or located at various campuses, which serve multi-campus constituencies. As such, the ability to move into a primary partnership between the two campuses is enhanced. We also realize that this partnership is different from other multi-campus services; a structure of strategic Human Resources leadership and services is required to optimize the mission of each campus and the Primary Partnership.

As part of the System HR staffing, UM HR includes a Director of HR and seven (7) HR Business Partner generalist positions (2 Senior HR Business Partners, 1 Associate Director/HRBP, 1 HRBP & Faculty HR Consultant, and 3 HR Business Partners); and, an HR Business Partner focused on workers compensation/unemployment administration. UM is also served by the following System-level services and Centers of Excellence: Employee Benefits Center, Payroll, Compensation, Equal Opportunity, Labor Relations, and Learning & Organizational Development. As part of the System HR staffing, UMM HR includes a 50% Director of HR UMM is also served by the following System-level services and Centers of Excellence: Employee Benefits Center, Payroll, Compensation, Equal Opportunity, Labor Relations, Learning & Organizational Development.

Suggestions for integration have been identified and are as follows:

- 1. Director of HR for UM will also serve as Director for UMM, reporting to Chief HR Officer of the System with dotted lines to the President of UM and to the top official of UMM.
- 2. One of the HR Business Officers at UM will spend approximately 40%-50% of effort as needed, either on-site or from UM, to provide strategic and operational HR support
- 3. The HR Director, other HR Business Partners, or admin staff from UM will supplement the primary assigned HRBP as needed to ensure best collaboration, education, effectiveness and efficiency.

- 4. HR services will be available to the Cabinet, managers and employees of UMM as needed at any time by direct contact or by contacting the front office of UM HR and being connected to available staff.
- 5. Cabinet Leadership UMHR will attend at least twice per month, if invited
- 6. Strategic HR Consulting UMHR available each week on campus and from UM; initially we will have a primary HRBP on campus at least one day each week and one day virtually, and additional visits from other HR partners and leaders so that we have a full group effort of familiarization and positive service level to the campus; after a successful transition is achieved then the on-campus presence will likely be one day per week, supplemented by primary HRBP and overall group availability by phone, Google Hangout, etc.
- 7. Support of Recruitment UMM Managers will be trained on best practices on recruitment and will research best sources and place advertisements and postings; UMHR will provide recruitment and search guidance
- 8. Position Control UMM Cabinet will approve/disapprove all hires and position actions
- 9. Performance Consulting, Workforce Management UMHR will normally provide during the one day per week on campus or from Orono.
- 10. Payroll payroll services are provided through the System Payroll office, with 100% FTE staffing on site at UMM.
- 11. Equal Opportunity EEO consulting and investigations will be provided through the EO Center of Excellence, accessed either directly or through the UMHR.
- 12. Title IX Coordination A UM HRBP will serve as the Title IX Coordinator for UMM in partnership with a Student Life leader as a deputy coordinator.
- 13. Benefits Enrollment and Counseling this is provided through the Employee Benefits Center for the system, which can be accessed either directly or through the UMHR phone tree.
- 14. Workers compensation & Unemployment administration--this can be provided by the current administrator at UM; impact on FTE unlikely but will be examined.

### **Implementation Requirements and Timeline**

Implementation will require approval to proceed; clear communication to managers and employees at UMM; and some manager/supervisor training. We believe it will also be important to examine process flow for payroll, recruitment, etc. to seek greater efficiencies and clarity of roles.

Timeline if approved:

- a. July—overlap assigned UMHR individual and Kimberly Page; examine process flows; communications to campus mid-July regarding HR changes, how to access HR services
- b. August-Manager training; continue work on process flow

### **Benchmarks and Measures**

- From a budgetary standpoint, we believe we can serve UMM from UM with existing HR Business Partner staffing and be able to reduce the 50% FTE position held by Kim Page.
- The arrangement will provide additional attention to the HR function at UMM, being part of a larger HR department, and provide more diverse HR resources.

- The arrangement will provide professional development to HR staff at UM, from serving a campus with a different mission, leadership and workforce environment.
- Having shared HR leadership across the UM-UMM partnership will also allow HR to be a strategic consulting resource for enhancing the integration and performance of the partnership.
- Given that the campus will be served by the group of HR Business Partners at UM, this can potentially eliminate the 50% FTE position at UMM as a savings at the System level
- A travel budget in the range of \$7,000-\$10,000 will be required; this is to ensure regular visits by a UM HRBP, and periodic visits by the Senior HRBP and others
- Professional development

### **Potential Metrics:**

- Survey of service satisfaction for UMM Cabinet and campus after 60 days, 6 months, and 12 months--availability, level of expertise, results
- Survey of UM Cabinet and UMM Cabinet as to HR contributions to overall success of integration

#### 4. Student Affairs Report

#### **Key Functions**

- Shared training in all functional and content areas with an emphasis on the use of technologies such as Polycom, Google hangout, and Zoom to avoid the necessity and cost of transporting numbers of UMM students and staff to Orono. As an example, student staff is trained for Campus Recreation and Residence Life. We could partner and involve colleagues from UMM in the UM trainings with special tracks for issues that do not intersect. This can include student and professional staff and involve training and consultative support throughout the year. We are also available to provide crisis support and case reviews for high-risk students.
- Title IX investigations, support services, case adjudications, prevention and annual climate surveys. Relatedly, UM could provide support services regarding Clery responsibilities (Crime Reporting), conduct code expertise, conduct committee training and general support around conduct matters including use of Maxient which is the data base system for conduct issues. Campus staffs could also participate on Appeals committees.
- 3. Consultancy and support on student related matters including student organizations, policy concerns, free speech, student engagement, civic engagement, event planning, and retention. We can also offer expertise in certifying and supporting student Veterans and in the alcohol, tobacco, and other drug areas.
- 4. Career Services including access to Career Link, which also gives access to GoinGlobal, access to all online resources including password protected sites such as FOCUS, which includes an interest inventory.
- 5. Involvement at the Engineering Job Fair, Career Fair, Health Professions Career Day and other events such as CareerFest and Federal Jobs workshops. UMM staff members could participate in any of our trainings and case study meetings.
- 6. Access to "Careers To Go" program which include presentations along with PowerPoint slides for 5 topics: Career Center Services Overview, Resume Writing, Cover Letters, Interviewing, and Professionalism.
- It is also possible for UMM faculty to assign a "Career To Go" workshop which could be followed by a google hangouts session to answer questions and the 2+2 Health Professions students could meet with UM STEM/Health Professions Career Consultant via phone or Skype.
- 8. With planning and resource allocation, a UM staff member could go to UMM to meet with students and present workshops.

- 9. Campus Activities and Engagement staff could advise students from UMM who attend the annual National Association of Campus Activities meeting and enable block booking of campus acts to keep costs as low as possible. UMM students could also attend UM leadership conferences, series, and trainings. Training and consultative support could also be offered in Greek Life.
- 10. UMM counselors could attend UM case conferences and receive clinical and prevention consultation from UM staff.
- 11. UM resources in multiculturalism and LGBTQ services could be shared. These include events, trainings, consultation, physical resources, and student organizational development.
- 12. UM could offer security reviews, facility safety analyses, access to police best practice documents, and consultation on high risk or standard campus safety matters.
- 13. The University of Maine holds weekly conduct related case management and high-risk student behavior reviews. UMM could access these resources both for individual cases, for consultation, and for planning purposes.
- 14. The University of Maine has student wellness resources. These include materials, consultancy, access to programs, and peer education. These programs can be ported in whole or part to UMM.
- 15. The University of Maine has an ombuds who is skilled at systems analyses, student centered problem solving, bureaucracy reduction and red tape cutting. This is a skill set that could, on an as needed basis, be shared with UMM.
- 16. Purchasing- We could work with selected vendors to purchase bags, t-shirts, and promotional items for orientation, student organizations, and office programs.

#### **Proposed Integration**

To be most effective and to provide full support, lead staff at UMM could be integrated into UMaine student affairs leadership meetings and given open access for consultation and support. UMaine staff will be available for on-site visits and collaborations. In addition, in an effort to reduce travel costs and time away from campus collaboration, meetings could occur via Polycom, periodic visits to UM by UMM staff, and periodic visits to UMM by UM staff. It is recommended for maximal effect, impact and support that UMM appoint an on – campus designated lead who could have a dual report to UMaine student affairs. To assure effective integration discussions between UMaine and UMM staff should begin as soon as possible. It is expected that there will be positive budget impacts initially as joint purchasing and shared training occur, however the full impact of integration will be determined as we explore staffing, responsibilities, and mission.

#### **Implementation Requirements and Timeline**

It is recommended that a reporting and collaboration agreement be discussed and implemented this summer and that training, purchasing, consultation, and support services be extended to UMM from UMaine immediately. It will be critically important that UMM and UM staff meet for a review of current practices with the intent of achieving integrated, effective, and efficient services.

#### **Benchmarks and Measures**

Current organizational structures and practices reviewed by December 15, 2016 with all appropriate collaborative agreements in place by March 1, 2017.

### 5. Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP)

#### **Key Functions**

- 1. Enhances UM's research, teaching and public service missions by efficiently processing proposals and awards, according to the law, in cooperation with investigators, for the benefit of UM's students, Maine's citizens and extramural sponsors
- 2. Maximizes the recovery to UM of overhead costs associated with extramurally-sponsored programs
- 3. Minimizes liability and financial risk to the institution
- 4. Assists in the identification of, and access to, extramural programs that will further the UM's signature and emerging programs
- 5. Promotes a working environment that allows senior administrative staff to successfully fulfill their leadership roles.

### **Proposed Integration (by function with budget implications)**

The Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate School and the Chief Business Officer of UM have proposed to the Chief Business Officer at the University of Maine at Machias (UMM) that ORSP serve as UMM's sponsored programs office. The proposal, in the form of a Memorandum of Understanding (Appendix 4), describes the roles of each branch campus with respect to (a) the preparation of UMM proposals for extramural support, and (b) the management of awards to UMM from external sponsors. In general, the MOU explains that UM's ORSP will provide the same sponsored programs services to UMM that ORSP currently provides to UM academic departments (e.g. Earth Sciences, Chemistry, etc.) and organized research units (e.g. Climate Change Institute, Center on Aging, etc.) The MOU <u>also</u> describes the sponsored-programs-related tasks for which UMM faculty and Staff will be responsible under the new integration arrangement.

Budget Implications: Insofar as UMM's current sponsored programs portfolio is relatively small, UM does <u>not</u> anticipate significant additional labor costs. ORSP currently is not in a position to estimate the budgetary impact on UMM of the new integration arrangement. UM does expect to reduce the System's risk exposure by enhancing the overall management of the external awards received by UMM during the five-year period covered by the MOU.

### **Implementation Requirements and Timeline**

The MOU will become effective when all parties have signed and will remain in effect for five years.

### **Benchmarks and Measures**

Parties to the MOU will review implementation progress, make necessary changes, and develop measures of success during the first year.

#### Appendix 1: Task Team Charter on Administration

#### **Charter Purpose**

• To establish the roles and responsibilities of the UMM-UM primary partnership task team on: *Administrative functions*.

#### Administrative Task Team Purpose

• The UM/UMM Primary Partnership charge is for the two institutions to develop a pathway that moves both forward in a mutually advantageous way. The goals of this Partnership include building on *One University* principles to take advantage of synergies that can develop across multiple administrative units, achieving better levels of service and/or economies of scale that more than offset any associated expenses.

#### Charge

- The Administrative Task Team has responsibility for successful completion of the analysis of administrative options and a set of recommendations approved by the Team Sponsors and delivered to the Chancellor by 6 July 2016.
- The Task Team is to use the first two steps of the four-step process of: **analysis, design**, implementation and audit.
- This Task Team is to study the administrative services functions and determine which areas have best opportunity for collaboration, consolidation, unification, or other arrangements that will reduce administrative costs, increase organizational effectiveness and/or student services/success, including recruitment and retention.
- The Task Team's updates and draft reports are due to the Sponsors on a schedule determined by the Sponsors.
- Chancellor Page is the final decision-maker of questions about this charter and what recommendations are presented to the BOT for consideration.

#### Task Team Sponsors

• President Hunter and President Swain.

#### **Team Composition**

- The Task Team will consist of three members from each campus, chosen by the respective presidents and led by an individual or individuals chosen by the Presidents from the Task Team. The Task Team may then choose, or appoint external sub-teams for reviewing particular administrative functions, areas or offices as they deem appropriate, as long as all assigned areas of review are covered.
- The Task Team members are: (list)
  - o Carol Kim, Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate School
  - o Jeff St. John, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs
  - o Robert Dana, Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students
  - o Melvin Adams, Dean of Enrollment and Student Services (replaced by Kay Kimball)
  - o Amy Lentz, Executive Assistant to the President
  - o Marianne Thibodeau, Director of the Library
  - Consultant to the group: Larry Lewellen
  - Group facilitator: Dave Stevens
- Because of the close relation between this administrative task and the System-level Administrative Reviews, the Task Team is expected to consult regularly and as necessary with the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, Rebecca Wyke or her functional designees.

#### **Scope of Effort**

• Includes *all non-academic and non-governance functions* (See the list developed by President Swain, attached here as an Appendix 2.)

### **Key Deliverables**

- 1. A list of every functional area reviewed, together with analytical and design methods/processes and inputs used for each area as well as stakeholders consulted.
- 2. Common lexicon (definitions) of relevant terms and concepts.
- 3. Itemized decision points and action items for each functional area with supporting rationales.
- 4. Suggested phases / timeline for transition of each functional area, including leadership, charter and timelines for those functional areas recommended for priority or initial deployment
- 5. Identification of prioritized list of UMaine functional areas to be extended to UMM
- 6. Develop principles of shared operation (i.e., a global MoU), with consideration of officespecific particulars
- 7. Identify policy and content asymmetries [e.g., tuition variance; add/drop/withdrawal policies, separate catalogs]
- 8. Statement of the potential financial impact and/or benefits of each of the recommendations.

#### Assumptions for the Team to Incorporate and/or Test as Part of its Work

- 1. There are efficiencies and improvements that can be found in all functional areas due to scale and collaboration (the bias is to the positive).
- 2. It is important to maintain or strengthen student- and community-focused service at the campus level.
- 3. The Task Team will fully consider functional area expertise and stakeholder needs in developing their recommendations.

#### Key Design Concepts to Consider

- Prioritization should be to those functional areas that are believed to hold the most immediate promise for efficiencies and increasing student services/success.
- FY17 enrollment processes should not be disrupted or diminished.
- Resources for leadership and effective change management will be made available to the team.
- The team will analyze area needs and opportunities in order to consider multiple models for each area, arriving at recommendations for optimally meeting overall goals.

## **Appendix 2: Evaluation Matrix**

dministrative Functions UM/UMM Primary I	Partnership			Financia	l Impact		Brand	Impact		
Function name	Advances Organiz. Effectivene	Leads to economy of scale	Enhances student experience	UMM	UM	Personnel impacts	UMM	UM	Practical components	Comments
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. Areas at both institutions having front and ack office functions										
a. Admissions and enrollment										
b. Athletics, fitness and recreation										
c. Bursar operations										
d. Career Services										
e. Community Liaison (e.g., venue reservations)										
f. Disabilities										
g. Distance Education										
h. Early College										
i. Library										
j. Marketing										
k. Public relations										
I. Registrar operations										
m. Student services										
i. Activities										
ii. Conduct processes										
iii. Health records										
iv. Residential Life processes and										
records										
Areas of capacity need at UMM										
a. Alumni relations										
b. Development										
c. Grants management										

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Function name	Advances Organiz. Effectivene	Leads to economy of scale	Enhances student experience	UMM	UM	Personnel impacts	UMM	им	Practical components	Comments
d. Institutional & market research										
e. Instructional design										
f. International students recruitment and support										
g. Internship support										
h. Research and commercialization										
i. Website oversight										
University Services										
a. Accounts payable and travel										
b. Business oversight										
c. Facilities										
d. Human Resources										
e. Information Technology										
f. Procurement										
f. Emergency Response										

#### Instructions:

#### You can use both positive and negative numbers (+ = positive impact, - = negative impact)

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If you think the row and column intersection is "low" than place a "1" in the cell

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# Appendix 3: Registrar's Office Table

Key Functions	Orono Student Records	Machias Registrar's Office	Possible area of collaboration	No efficiencies gained under current structure
Maintain Curriculum				
Maintain catalog course data and all curriculum changes	Use Acalog data to maintain and publish online	Use MS Word to maintain and publish to website	Look into cost of additional license for Acalog	
	Maintain catalog data in MaineStreet	Maintain catalog data in MaineStreet	Investigate possibility of using third party software to track curriculum approvals (to feed into Acalog)	Two different curricula and approval processes
Class Scheduling	Departments enter data in Infosilem; Data interfaces with MaineStreet; Classroom data loaded to R25 to mesh with event scheduling	Division Chairs submit class data to Registrar's Office Registrar's Office staff inputs data Use Schedule25 to schedule classrooms	UMM look into possibility of adopting UM time blocks for easier faculty collaborations; student scheduling opportunities	Two different curricula; two different instances of R25; Infosilem not in use at UMM
Final Exam Scheduling	MaineStreet process	MaineStreet process		Two different institutions; two separate scheduling processes
Events/Ad hoc Scheduling	Done in Registrar's Office	Off-campus groups work w/faculty admin assistant On-campus groups work w/admin		Two different databases; implementation of 25Live will make processes more efficient

		assistant in Student Life	
Classroom Inventory	Annual Review of Room contents	Update as requested	Two different locations; two different databases
Build and Maintain Degree Audits	Maintain in MaineStreet Academic Advising	Maintain in MaineStreet Academic Advising	Two different gen ed requirements; Two different curricula
Course Registration Set up	Term activations Enrollment appointments PIN's Enrollment Security Academic calendar table	Term activations Enrollment appointments PIN's Enrollment Security Academic calendar table Permission #'s for faculty to override prerequisites	Two different schedules and institutions
Maintain Students' Records			
Implement program changes	Processed by college staff; verified by OSR	Processed in Registrar's Office	MaineStreet submission and approval workflow in process will make more efficient
Advisor Changes	Processed through major departments	Processed in Registrar's Office	Not processed in UM OSR
Term Cancellations & Withdrawals	Batch process for suspended students; otherwise one- by-one	Processed one- by-one	More efficient to process at point of receipt
Course Withdrawals	Processed through college	Process manually after drop deadline	Policies differ for withdrawals done after deadline

Leaves of Absence	Maintain on Program/Plan stack	Use MaineStreet Comments	Processed one at a time
Study Away	Use Form of Study	Use MaineStreet Comments	Processed one at a time
Transfer Credit processing	MaineStreet automated rules	MaineStreet automated rules	Two different curricula; absolutely curriculum dependent
Apply Degree Audit Exceptions	Implement Course Substitutions and adjustments to students' programs	Implement Course Substitutions and adjustments to students' programs	Two different curricula
Process Grade	MaineStreet	MaineStreet	Process already
Changes	Workflow	Workflow	streamlined
Name, Address Changes Transcript Production	Address and Preferred Name – MaineStreet Student Self- Service	Address and Preferred Name – MaineStreet Student Self- Service Use NSC	Primary Name Changes w/required documentation processed one- by-one; volume small UMM archived
	transcript process; Process mailed transcripts locally MaineStreet Self-Service transcripts On demand	transcript process for electronic transcripts MaineStreet Self-Service transcripts Mailed requests On demand	transcripts only available in paper format locally
Degree Verifications	Via Email or Phone	NSC verifications only	UMM archived transcripts available in paper format locally
Enrollment Verifications	Requests via MaineStreet and in person	Only a few in- person or emailed requests	Two different institutions; two processes

Requests for amendments to students' records	Process approved requests for retroactive enrollment changes	Research requests for administrative withdrawals and collect information to help inform decisions by VPAA; Process administrative withdrawals		Exceptions rare and handled on case-by-case basis
Immunization tracking	Documents imaged at Shared Processing Center; Collect, code info in MaineStreet; communicate w/students via Message Center	Not performed in UMM Registrar's Office		Not performed in UMM Registrar's Office
End of Term Processing				
Create Grade Rosters	Batch process	Batch process		Two separate institutions; two separate processes
Lapsing process for Incompletes	Batch process	Batch process		Two separate institutions; two separate processes
Repeat process	Batch process	Batch process		Two separate institutions; two separate processes
Graduation processing	Commencement planning; communicate w/colleges re: applicants; Colleges certify completion; OSR posts degrees; Produces and mails diplomas	Communicate w/advisors; Use Degree Audits to clear in Registrar's Office; Diplomas from Jostens; Post degrees; Mail diplomas	Explore cost- effectiveness of diplomas being produced by Orono Office of Student Records	
Academic Standing	Run process;	Run process,		Policies differ;
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Academic Standing	Colleges review;	review; send		two institutions;
	notify students	info to		two processes
	via Message	Academic		two processes
	Center	Affairs Office		
	Center	for letters to		
		students		
Honors & Awards	Dean's List and	Dean's List-run		Policies differ;
Honors & Awards				· · · · · ·
	other academic	process; send info to		two institutions;
	awards; Class			two processes
	Rank (by level);	Academic		
	Coordinate	Affairs; when		
	collection of	letters sent; sent		
	Honors society	to Public		
	inductions and	Relations &		
	add to student's	legislature		
	academic record			
Technical				
Maintenance				
Additional	Academic	Academic		Two different
MaineStreet tables	Structure,	Structure,		institutions
	Grading	Grading		
	Schemes	Schemes		
NSC Enrollment and	Batch processes	Batch processes		Two different
Degree Verify				institutions; no
transmissions				efficiencies
Infosilem set-up and	Create and	Not using		UMM not using
maintenance	maintain course			this software
	combinations			
	based on			
	curricula			
MaineStreet Security	Maintain for all	Maintain for all		Application of
	Orono Campus	Machias Campus		security roles
	Solutions users	Solutions users		differs
Office Website	Manage OSR	Manage		Two different
	website	Academic		institutions; two
		Policies &		different
		Procedures		websites
		website		
Reporting	Fulfill requests	Campus IPEDS	Consider under	
	for data, both ad	Coordinator	Institutional	
	hoc and cyclical	(complete 6	Research area.	
	business process	surveys);		
	requirements	Common Data		
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ImageNow Document system	Image archived records; Help departments create workflow solutions;	Ad hoc and standard institutional reports Not using due to lack of staff time		UMM not using
SIS Modifications	Maintain security access Analyze and	Work w/UMS	Already	
	request SIS modifications for improved services or fixes and test mods prior to implementation	Registrars and UMS IT to implement improvements to system; participate in testing	collaborating through UMS Registrars' group	
Quarterly Patch Testing	Provide testing		UMM relies on work of OSR office in this area	
Communication				
Newsletter/Calendar	Distribute Newsletter and calendar to academic departments	Prepare and distribute annual timeline for schedule production to Division Chairs; communicate w/students about drop and withdrawal deadlines		Deadlines and policies differ
Confidentiality	FERPA Training to MaineStreet users; campus FERPA resource	FERPA Training to MaineStreet users; campus FERPA resource		Site-based service

Other			
Athletic Eligibility	NCAA certification	USCAA certification	Rules and criteria differ
New England Regional Student Program	Submit NEBHE annual report; inform Bursar when adjustments need to be made Manage and audit records for eligibility	Submit NEBHE annual report; inform CBO when adjustments need to be made	Two different curricula
Veterans Benefits	Not handled by OSR	Registrar's assistant certifies enrollments and explains benefits to students and families	Student progress to degree key element of certification; two different curricula

#### Appendix 4:

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

### between **The University of Maine at Machias** and **The University of Maine**

**BY THIS AGREEMENT**, the University of Maine at Machias, located in Machias, ME (hereinafter referred to as "UMM") and the University of Maine, located in Orono, ME (hereinafter referred to as "UM"), jointly known as the "Parties";

**WHEREAS** UMM wishes to engage UM to perform specified professional services relating to (a) the preparation and submission of sponsored program proposals; and (b) the management of extramural awards;

**WHEREAS** UM possesses the capacity and expertise necessary to assist UMM in (a) the preparation and submission of sponsored program proposals; and (b) the management of extramural awards;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Parties, for considerations hereinafter set forth, do hereby agree as follows:

### **ARTICLE 1 – SCOPE OF WORK**

- A. UM's Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) will serve as UMM's Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, and will make available to UMM the same level of preand post-award services that it provides to academic departments and organized research units on the UM campus. Such services include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - 1. During the Pre-award Stage:
    - Day-to-day oversight of pre-award activities;
    - Assisting in the preparation of proposals, including budgets, budget justifications and scopes of work;
    - Adherence to UM's Proposal Submission Policy and Timeline (Attachment A);
    - Utilization of UM's Proposal Approval Routing System (PARS);
    - Applying appropriate Facilities and Administrative (F&A) cost recovery rates;
    - Determining whether collaborating entities will be classified as sub-recipients or contractors (vendors);
    - Submitting proposals in digital format;
    - Providing an institutional authorization signature;
    - Processing and approving of internal pre-award documents;

- Reviewing, negotiating and executing awards;
- Initiating request to the University of Maine System (UMS) Accounting Department for the creation of general ledger projects and departments, as appropriate;
- Entering approved budgets into the general ledger; and
- Submitting the Grants and Contracts Allocation Form (GCAF) to the UMS Accounting Department so that direct cost sharing and F&A costs and cost sharing can be recorded in the general ledger project.
- 2. During the Post-award Stage:
  - Day-to-day oversight of post-award activities;
  - Approving internal post-award documents;
  - Creating sub-recipient awards;
  - Monitoring sub-recipient awards;
  - Creating and submitting invoices to the sponsor for all campus billed awards;
  - Requesting special drawdowns against letter of credit awards as may be needed. The UMS Accounting Department will continue to make weekly drawdowns based upon activity posted in the general ledger. ;
  - Processing, approving, and submitting budget and award modifications;
  - Requesting and processing requests for change of Principal Investigator (PI) to the sponsor;
  - Correcting and signing effort certifications distributed by UM to UMM PI's and other supported personnel; and
  - Preparing closeout documents.
- **B.** UMM's PI's will fulfill the responsibilities described in Attachment B entitled, "*The Post Award Role & Responsibilities of a Principal Investigator at the University of Maine*", and ensure compliance with federal and state regulations, UMS Administrative Practice Letters (APL) and the following UM policies:
  - Compliance with UM Proposal Submission Policy and Timeline (Attachment B); Institutional Humane Care and Use of Animals in Research (IACUC);
  - Institutional Protection of Human Subjects of Research (IRB);
  - Responsible Conduct in Research (RCR);
  - Conflict of Interest (COI);
  - Research involving Recombinant DNA or Infectious Agents (rDNA); and
  - Export Control Regulations (EAR).

## **ARTICLE 2 – KEY PERSONNEL**

The individuals responsible for the work described herein at UM are the Vice President for Research and the Director of Research and Sponsored Programs.

The individual responsible for the work described herein at UMM are the President and Chief Business Officer.

## **ARTICLE 3 – PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE**

This MOU shall commence on the date of the last signature, and shall continue for five years, through June 30, 2021. At that time, the Parties may extend its terms by mutual written agreement.

# ARTICLE 4 – RECOVERED FACILITIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE (INDIRECT) COSTS

The Facilities and Administrative (F&A) rates negotiated by UMS with its cognizant Federal agency apply to all sponsored programs awarded to UMM. F&A recovered on UMM awards will be returned to UMM and may be used by UMM as unrestricted university funds.

### **ARTICLE 5 - DAY-TO-DAY PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

UMM agrees to manage the sponsored awards that it receives in the same way that "local units" do at UM. A local unit at UM —usually an academic department or cross-disciplinary research center— on behalf of the Principal Investigator, attends to the management of project personnel, the purchasing of project equipment, supplies and materials, the monthly monitoring and reconciliation of project income, expenses, and balances, and the oversight of work performed by sub-awardees and contractors (vendors).

# ARTICLE 6 – NARRATIVE REPORTING ON SPONSORED PROGRAMS AWARDED TO UMM

UMM Principal Investigators (PIs) shall be responsible for all technical and narrative reporting, and for meeting technical and narrative reporting deadlines on all awards made to UMM and jointly-managed under this MOU.

# ARTICLE 7 – FISCAL REPORTING ON SPONSORED PROGRAMS AWARDED TO UMM

UMM and UM will share responsibility for managing the finances of sponsored programs awarded to UMM. On a quarterly basis, representatives of the Parties will review the financial reporting requirements for UMM's awards for the next quarter and arrange for any required financial reports to completed and submitted to the appropriate parties according to the terms of the corresponding sponsor agreements.

# ARTICLE 8 – EQUIPMENT PURCHASED IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM SPONSORED PROGRAM AWARDED TO UMM.

Responsibility for, and title to, all equipment purchased with funds awarded by extramural sponsors to UMM shall rest with UMM.

## **ARTICLE 9 – CONFLICT RESOLUTION**

UMM and UM shall continue to supervise their respective employees. To the extent questions or concerns arise relating to the implementation and maintenance of this MOU, the Parties agree to meet and confer in good faith. If the individuals responsible for tasks cited in this MOU cannot agree on any issue relating to the implementation and maintenance of this MOU, UMS General Counsel or his/her designee shall make the final decision.

## **ARTICLE 10 – ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

UMM, during the proposal preparation stage, will provide UM with a UMM general ledger chartfield combination (generally unrestricted) to which any unallowed costs, project cost overruns, or sponsor fines can be charged. If UMM and UM agree that UM, through action or inaction, is responsible for project charges which cannot be covered by a sponsor award, UM will cover such costs from unrestricted funds at its disposal.

If UMM and UM agree that UMM, through action or inaction, is responsible for project charges which cannot be covered by a sponsor award, UMM will cover such costs from unrestricted funds at its disposal. IF UM and UMM cannot agree on which party is responsible for an unallowed cost, the conflict resolution procedure described in Article 9 shall apply.

## **ARTICLE 11 -- TERMINATION**

This MOU may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. Upon receipt of such notice, UM shall take the necessary actions to transfer all sponsored programs responsibilities back to UMM which then will be responsible for any and all outstanding purchase orders and other commitments relating to UM's work under this MOU. UMM shall pay for cost and non-cancellable commitments incurred prior to the specified date of termination.

## **ARTICLE 12 – EXTENT OF THIS MOU**

This MOU represents the entire understanding between UMM and UM and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have entered into this MOU as of the day and year first written above.

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT MACHIAS Stuart Swain, Ph.D. Acting President Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT MACHIAS Mark Hatt Chief Business Officer Date: \_\_\_\_\_

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE Susan J. Hunter, Ph.D. President Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE Carol H. Kim, Ph.D. Vice President for Research & Dean of the Graduate School Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE Claire Strickland Chief Business Officer Date:

<u>ATTACHMENTS:</u> Attachment A - UM Proposal Submission Policy and Timeline Attachment B – "*The Post-Award Role & Responsibilities of a PI at the University of Maine*", September 19, 2013.

## ATTACHMENT A

#### UNIVERSITY OF MAINE Office of Research & Sponsored Programs Proposal Submission Policy & Timeline

The University of Maine requires all proposals be reviewed and approved by the Office of Research & Sponsored Programs. This policy applies regardless of whether UM is the lead agency submitting directly to the funder, or whether UM will be a subcontractor or collaborator under another institution/organization's submission. It also applies regardless of the method of submission, e.g. paper copy or electronic.

Pre-proposals, pre-applications, concept papers, and letters or notices of intent, hereinafter referred to collectively as pre-proposals, are treated a bit differently. 1. A pre-proposal that does not require a detailed budget does not need to be seen by ORSP. The exception to this is when Fastlane, grants.gov, or another electronic system requires an authorized institutional endorsement for submission. 2. A pre-proposal submitted to an external sponsor requiring a detailed budget, but <u>no</u> cost share, must be reviewed by ORSP but does <u>not</u> need to be routed through PARS. 3. A pre-proposal submitted to an external sponsor requiring a detailed budget <u>with</u> UM cost share must be reviewed by ORSP and must also be routed through PARS. 4. A pre-proposal submitted to an internal UM competition requiring a detailed budget will not be required to go through PARS; however, it is recommended that ORSP review the budget.

Given the growing complexity of the proposal submission process, it is critical that principal investigators adhere to these internal deadlines in order that staff members in the Departments, Labs, Centers, and ORSP have time to work through the many issues that arise before submitting a proposal by the sponsor's deadline.

TIMELINE FOR PROPOSAL REVIEW & SUBMISSION				
Action	Minimum <u>Full</u> Business Days <u>Prior</u> to Sponsor Deadline Required for Processing & Submission			
<b>Notice to ORSP of Pending Submission</b> - Please contact the ORSP pre-award manager via email when the PI commits to a proposal submission. Indicate the sponsor and program to which you are applying, the submission deadline, and provide a link to sponsor guidelines. <i>Please note that initiating a PARS is not considered notification</i> .	When PI commits to proposal submission			
1 <sup>st</sup> draft of budget, justification, and abstract sent to ORSP for review – This allows 2 working days for initial ORSP review, 2 working days for the PI to review/revise as needed, and 1 working day for ORSP to review final documents prior to turning routing on in PARS.	<b>15</b> Full Business Days			
<b>PARS routing initiated with ORSP approved budget and</b> <b>justification</b> – Full PARS approval is required prior to submission of all proposals. Approvers need adequate time to	<b>10</b> Full Business Days			

review and ask questions. The 10 day time frame takes into consideration the fact that some approvers may be traveling or	
out of their offices.	
Solid working draft of full application sent to ORSP for	
<b>review</b> - A version of the sponsor proposal application that	
includes all complete required forms and attachments with the	
exception of the project narrative/description which can be a	8
work in progress at this stage. This allows 2 working days for	Full Business Days
ORSP initial review and 1 working day for PI to complete	
edits prior to submitting the final draft to ORSP.	
Final version of full application with approved PARS and	
completed/signed Sub-recipient commitment forms (if	
applicable) sent to ORSP for review & submission – This	
allows 1 working day for ORSP final review and 4 working	
days for system and sponsor validations*. Other institutions	
that utilize a 5 day deadline include UNH, Vermont, UMass,	
MIT, and UConn.	5
*Electronic Submission Validation: In some cases systems	Full Business Days
like grants.gov can take up to 48 hours to validate a proposal	
before it is forwarded to the sponsor. The sponsor's validation	
may take up to an additional 48 hours before the proposal is	
considered received on time. Any proposals receiving errors	
must then be revised and re-submitted and must go through the	
same validation process again prior to the proposal due date.	

### **New Late Submission Policy**

#### Scenarios Requiring Approval from the Associate Vice President for Research:

1. If notice of intent to submit a proposal is received less than 5 full business days prior to the submission due date it will not be submitted unless approved by the Associate Vice President for Research (AVPR), David Neivandt.

2. Final full proposals received for submission on the due date will not be submitted unless approved by the Associate Vice President for Research (AVPR), David Neivandt.

**Approval Process:** Approval from the AVPR for either scenario will require a justification explaining the reason for the lateness and why an exception should be granted. The Principal Investigator should send the request for approval with their justification via email to David Neivandt at <u>DNeivandt@umche.maine.edu</u> with a copy to the ORSP Pre-Award Proposal Manager, Laura Ward at <u>lauraw@maine.edu</u>. The AVPR will then determine if there is adequate time to allow for submission. Please note that if approval for submission is granted, it will be processed by ORSP in the order it was received.

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Any late proposal not requiring AVPR approval, as well as those that have been approved by the AVPR for submission, will be treated as follows: ORSP will make every effort to submit late proposals, but cannot guarantee that such proposals will be adequately reviewed, or submitted by the sponsor deadline. If ORSP determines that a proposal does not meet the minimum University and sponsor policies, the proposal will be returned without submission. In certain instances a proposal may be submitted to the sponsor but later withdrawn or declined if issues arise due to the lack of time to properly review proposed materials and/or receive proper internal approvals.

Please note that late proposals force ORSP to shift priority away from those that were submitted in a timely manner to those that were not. This is unfair to those principal investigators following policy.

Additional time requirements: Proposals including sub-awards, cost share, or requests of \$5 million or more require additional coordination, documentation, and approvals. Additional time should be allocated.

**Hardcopy proposals:** ORSP requires the PI to make their own arrangements for photocopying and submitting hardcopy proposals and thus it is recommended to allow a few extra days to accommodate this process. If the proposal requires a signed form or letter from ORSP, an electronic or hardcopy will be sent to the PI for inclusion.

#### **ATTACHMENT B**



#### The Post-Award Role & Responsibilities of a Principal Investigator at the University of Maine

The role of the principal investigator is to direct the performance of sponsored research, instructional activities, and programs in compliance with the terms of the sponsor agreement, University policies and procedures, and applicable laws and regulations. While project related tasks may be delegated by the principal investigator to co-investigators, professional staff, students, and other personnel associated with the project, the responsibilities detailed below rest solely with the principal investigator.

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PHASE OF GRANT	RESPONSIBILITIES	NOTES/TIMING	RESPONSIBILITIES	NOTES/TIMING
	COMPLY with all University of Maine System, University of Maine & governmental policies and procedures related to project management including, but not limited to: All <u>UMS APL</u> and OMB Circulars <u>A-21, A-110</u> and <u>A-133 (PDF)</u>	Throughout the life of the grant it is expected that the P.I. will execute the project as outlined in the funded proposal.	Provide guidance and interpretation of award terms and conditions, UMS Administrative practice Letters, University of Maine policies and procedures, OMB Circulars etc.	
Compliance The compliance requirements listed in this section apply to <u>all</u> phases of the project.	IMMEDIATELY REPORT instances of waste, fraud and abuse of funds relating to the sponsored award to the ORSP Director or the Vice President for Research	Refer to <u>UMS APL IV-J (PDF)</u>	Take immediate action to resolve the problem or report the allegation to the appropriate party	Refer to <u>UMS APL IV-J (PDF)</u>
	FOLLOW all University of Maine System and University of Maine policies and procedures with regard to human subjects, recombinant DNA and infectious agents, animal care, and radiation safety	The P.I. has the responsibility to notify the appropriate committee or governing body if changes to the project affect required protocols.		

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<b>Compliance</b> (continued)	ADHERE to the <u>intellectual</u> <u>Property Policy (PDE)</u> and the <u>Conflict of Interest Policy (PDE)</u> of the University of Maine	Per the University's Intellectual Property Policy, the P.I. must initiate materials transfer agreements if the project requires biological materials from a source external to UMaine. Initiate the disclosure process through the Department of Industrial Cooperation (for Intellectual Property) and ORSP (for Financial Conflict of Interest).		
	COMPLY with Export Control Regulations including Deemed Export Attestation Requirements (PDF)			
	RFVIFW and APPROVF award agreement	Contact ORSP with questions related to the timely implementation of a sponsored award agreement	Receive & log award, negotiate terms, reconcile discrepancies in terms of agreement	Timing is dependent upon award and amount of negotiation/revision needed, if any
	REVIEW and APPROVE subcontracts	As soon as possible	Draw up subcontracts	Usually, it takes about 2 weeks to create subcontract after the project number is issued.
Project Start-Up	REQUEST an Advance Project See <u>Advance Project Policy &amp;</u> <u>Procedure (PDF)</u>	As needed, if a need exists to begin incurring project expenses prior to institutional acceptance of an award	Review Advance Project Requests (OPAS)	As needed
	ADHERE to the certifications and statement made by P.I. at time of PARS submission	Throughout the life of the project	Create project accounts and load budget into PeopleSoft	Can take up to a week from the date the award is 'fully executed'

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	KNOW and COMPLY with the terms and conditions of award	Conter regularly with the sponsor's program officer and financial administrator, and share all written communications with ORSP	Interpretation of terms and conditions of awards	As needed
Award Management	Hiring: FOLLOW appropriate HIRING procedures outlined by the Office of Equal Opportunity and Office of Human Resources ENSURE all federal, state, local government, and University safety policies and procedures are enforced and communicated effectively to project personnel AND that all personnel supported by and assigned to the project conduct themselves in a professional manner, with respect for the rights of others with whom they interact	Train, oversee, and evaluate project staff/students subject to the plan contained in the funded proposal and the <u>Office</u> <u>of Human Resources</u> policies and procedures. The <i>primary</i> responsibility of the principal investigator is to ensure the <i>safety</i> of personnel and the environment. If training is necessary, it is the principal investigator's responsibility to arrange for training and to properly document that training has occurred at the intervals prescribed by the University's <u>Deportment of Sofety and Environmental Management</u> .		
	Purchasing: • COMPLY with UM Purchasing Policy • FOLLOW UM inventory procedures • DON'T move, lend, lease or sell grant/university property prior to obtaining clearance from the Directors of Purchasing & ORSP	See <u>UMS APL</u> Section VII		

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	SPEND according to allowable cost guidelines See <u>UMS APL VIII-C (PDF)</u> and <u>UMS APL IV-I (PDF)</u>	Maintain an accurate record of project related expenses and retain documents that provide details on the goods & services procured to execute the project.	Provide assistance in determining allowable vs. unallowable costs	As needed
propose the a program income receipt of prog and review pro reported by 0	IDENTIFY all program income, propose the allocation of program income, monitor the receipt of program income, and review program income reported by ORSP to the project sponsor	Refer to <u>UMS APL VIII-G (PDF)</u>	Provide general coordination and guidance, in conjunction with the System Accounting Department, on proper accounting for program income     Report program income as required by Sponsor	Refer to <u>UMS APL VIII-G (PDF)</u>
Award Management (continued)	<u>Budget Modification</u> : •SUBMIT request for budget revision to ORSP, as appropriate •NOTIFY ORSP if no response has been received within 10 days See <u>UMS APL VIII I (PDF)</u>	As needed	<ul> <li>Provide general coordination and guidance on revision of budget and program plans,</li> <li>Document requests, and subsequent action taken, of approvals for budget and program plan revisions received from P.I.s</li> <li>Submit requests for revision of budget, when required, to sponsor</li> </ul>	As needed
	Review of project account: •RECONCILE account •Take immediate action to RESOLVE errors/discrepancies, •REVIEW all expenses posted to ENSURE they are accurate and allowable. •MAINTAIN record of review See UMS APL VIII-J (PDF)	The project account should be reconciled on a <i>monthly</i> basis. If auditors or ORSP disallow an unauthorized expenditure, the P.I. is responsible for clearing the expenditure either by transferring the charge to another allowable account (e.g. the closing account) or by personally reimbursing the University.	<ul> <li>Has authority to request documentation in support of questioned charges</li> <li>Monitor project activity as needed</li> <li>Coordinate periodic financial reviews</li> <li>Provide general guidance re: budget review &amp; GL Inquiry</li> </ul>	As needed

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	Cost Transfers: • PREPARE Project Adjustment Form or Labor Distribution Adjustment if necessary • MAINTAIN supporting documentation for cost transfers subject to audit See UMS APL VIII-K (PDF) and <u>Policy &amp; Procedure for</u> <u>Sponsored Projects Cost</u> <u>Transfers (Word)</u>	Requests should be prepared and submitted as soon as the discrepancy is noted; and MUST be submitted within 90 days of the month-end of the originally posted charge.	<ul> <li>Provide general coordination and guidance regarding cost transfers</li> <li>Approve/deny cost transfer requests</li> <li>Forward request to OBBS for processing if approved</li> </ul>	As needed
Award Management (continued)	Subrecipient monitoring: •ENSURE they are fulfilling their obligations •VERIFY expenses •APPROVF invoices •MAINTAIN a record of all correspondence See UMS APL VIII-D (PDF)	Monthly	<ul> <li>Send subrecipient monitoring checklist to P.I. at start of project</li> <li>Send/copy subrecipient invoices to P.I. for review and approval)</li> <li>Issue &amp; retain subrecipient's A-133 certification form (one should be filed each fiscal year of performance)</li> </ul>	On going
	<u>Progress Reports:</u> PREPARE and SUBMIT technical reports to sponsor See <u>UMS APL VIII-J (PDF)</u>	As described in award terms & conditions	Prepare and submit financial reports to sponsor	As described in award terms & conditions
	Time & Effort Reports: REVIEW for accuracy APPROVE RETURN to ORSP See UMS APL VIII-E (PDF)	Within 60 days of receipt	Generate, distribute, collect, record and file Time & Effort reports	Three times per year: Spring, Summer, Fall

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Award	Sponsor Invoicing: • APPROVE project expenses In a timely manner • KNOW sponsor guidelines, only incur allowable expenses • USE accurate chartfield combinations (particularly account and fund codes) See UMS APL VIII-C (PDF), and APL VIII-J (PDF)	ASAP after incurred	Sponsor invoicing	Per terms of agreement
Management (continued)	-	<ul> <li>Provide general coordination and guidance on program plan revision</li> <li>Document requests, and subsequent action taken, of approvals for program plan revisions received from P.I.s</li> <li>Submit requests for revision of program plans, when required, to sponsor</li> </ul>	As needed	
	APPLY for No-Cost extension if needed (requested via <u>PARS</u> )	If needed, request extension prior to award end date. Refer to award terms. <i>Generally</i> a minimum of 30 days prior to end date for first time requests. Allow an additional week for processing (Dy ORSP).	Review No-Cost extension requests and submit to sponsor if approved	Allow a week for ORSP to review and process request
Award Closeout	OBTAIN from ORSP a list of documents necessary to close- out the project (e.g. patents and equipment lists) See <u>UMS APL VIII-L (PDF)</u>	Prior to award end date	Provide general guidance & technical assistance to P.I./Department re: Close-Out procedures	Ungoing/As needed
	REVIEW expenditures; RESOLVE any discrepancies	Prior to award end date		

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	CHANGE employee pay source (or verify stop date on employee data sheet)	Prior to award end date		
	REMOVE/STOP any recurring charges	Prior to award end date		
	REMIND sub-recipient to submit final invoices	Prior to award end date	Sub-recipient close out: Final invoices from sub-recipient, final report etc.	First 30 days after award end date
	COMPLETE final review of project account, look for charges posted after the project end date (and remove)	First 30 days after award end date	Final sponsor invoicing	30-60 days after end date
Award Closeout (continued)	Deficit RESOLUTION	First 30 days after award end date	<ul> <li>Assist P.I. with deficit resolution</li> <li>Charge designated closing account if deficit still remains</li> </ul>	30-60 days after end date
(continued)	ASSISTANCE in award close-out (may be asked to prepare Equipment List, Patent list etc.)	30-60 days after end date	Inform P.I./Dept. of documents needed for close-out	30-60 days after end date
	SUBMIT final technical report to sponsor with COPY to ORSP	30-60 days after end date	Submit final financial report to sponsor	30-90 days after end date
			Reconcile and close account	30-90 days after end date
			Return remaining funds to sponsor, if applicable	30-90 days after end date
	RETAIN records for 7 years See <u>UMS APL IV-D (PDF)</u>	It is the P.I.'s responsibility to assure the integrity and security of project notebooks and other records of scientific data generated-by and related- to the project.	Retain records for 7 years See <u>UMS APL IV-D (PDF)</u>	

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#### **Quick Links**

- Office of Management & Budget Circular A-21: http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars a021 2004/
- Office of Management & Budget Circular A-110: http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars a110
- <u>Office of Management & Budget Circular A-133 (PDF)</u>: <u>http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/assets/a133/a133\_revised\_2007.pdf</u>
- UMS Administrative Practice Letter Index: <a href="http://www.maine.edu/about-the-system/system-office/finances/administrative-practice-letters/">http://www.maine.edu/about-the-system/system-office/finances/administrative-practice-letters/</a>
- Office of Research & Sponsored Programs: http://www.umaine.edu/orsp/

#### Resources

For a full list of resources, please consult our <u>Resource Guide</u>: <u>http://www.orsp.umesp.maine.edu/ORSPDocs/Info/ORSPTraining/ORSP\_Resource\_Guide.pdf</u>

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