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PCard Reminders

How to Prepare for a Cardholder Leaving

When a cardholder terminates employment in your department, their PCard must be canceled and returned to SSAS. A best practice suggestion is for the cardholder to stop making new purchases and that activity be transferred to another cardholder as soon as they announce their resignation, to minimize transactions that may get processed after the card is canceled. Additionally, if not already established, a reallocation delegate should be assigned prior to the cardholder’s termination. Before leaving, the cardholder must make all their outstanding purchase documentation available to their authorized reviewer. The authorized reviewer is responsible for making sure the final reconciliation and reallocation is completed, either by the cardholder or assigned reallocation delegate. Note that any automatically recurring charges must be moved to a different PCard. For more information about that and other recommended steps to ensure a more seamless transition, see the PCard Closeout Process document available on the SSAS website. The QFN130 PCard Transaction Report, found on the Quantum Financials Home page under Campus Reports, is a helpful tool for identifying any outstanding cardholder activity.

How to Assign a PCard Reallocation Delegate

To ensure all PCard transactions are fully reallocated when a cardholder changes departments or leaves UMB, the best business practice is to assign a reallocation delegate. The reallocation delegate will identify to which project or SOAPF, each PCard transaction should be charged, on behalf of the cardholder. A reallocation delegate can be requested by submitting an Account Maintenance Form and a Delegate Access Form to SSAS. Delegates are required to attend the Reallocating & Approving Procurement Card Transactions class, which you can register for via the Quantum Financials Calendar, and then complete the online User Authorization Form to request the PCard Reallocator role. Questions about assigning reallocation delegates should be directed to SSAS at PCard-Admin@umaryland.edu.

New Email for PCard Communications

SSAS has created a new email for communications regarding the PCard. Please send communications you previously directed to Regina Spencer, to the new email PCard-Admin@umaryland.edu. Congratulations to Regina, who retired effective January 1.

Quantum Financials Notes

Annual Role Validation

The annual validation of security roles held in both Quantum Financials and eUMB HRMS is about to get underway. Administrative Deans, Department Administrators or Directors should look for notifications in their email soon with instructions for how to run the reports of security roles, validate the employees and roles, use DocuSign to sign the certification statement, and send the reports to rolevalidation@umaryland.edu. Signed reports will be due back by February 28, 2022.

Upgrade to Quantum Financials

The Quantum support team will be busy over the next month preparing for the quarterly upgrade to Quantum Financials (22A), which will be absorbed into our production environment on February 18. All upgrades are extensively tested before being moved to the production environment where system users will experience them, so each upgrade process takes several weeks. If any upgrade features will significantly impact the end user experience, we will cover that in our next issue. Stay tuned!
**Quantum Financials Campus Reports**

**QFN201 PPM Trial Balance Report for Sponsored Projects**

The QFN201 PPM Trial Balance is a report that pulls balances from the Project Portfolio Management (PPM) subledger using sponsored projects account combo information selected by the user, to verify to related General Ledger balances and ensure accounting accuracy. The report contains the Accounting Period totals and YTD ledger balance for the sponsored account combo and contains multiple filtering options such as School, Department, and Organization. Note that account combo logic must be considered when running this report. Therefore, the Source and Object selected has to be a possible combination. Function, which describes the award activity, has to match with the Source. The example below uses the revenue object code 0601 for Federal Awards matching to the Source code 315 for Federal Awards and the Function code 210 for Organized Research.

The results returned illustrate the YTD Revenue Balance for a Federal Award based on the Sponsored Projects Account Combo and can be used to verify to the Budget to Actuals Detail and Budget to Actuals Summary Report in Quantum Analytics, which pulls from the General Ledger.

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**Quantum Analytics Notes**

**Project Profile Card in Award Detail Report**

The Project Profile Card, like the Award Profile Card, can be displayed in the Quantum Analytics Award Detail Report by selecting the Project Number in the Projects on this Award dropdown box. This enhancement provides all Project Numbers that have been set up for the Award and the resulting information can be used to verify the accuracy of Award set up. The Award Profile Card includes details at the Award level, such as Award Number and Name, Sponsor information, Allocated Funding Amount, Institute Proposal information and Award dates. The Project Profile Card includes Project specific details like Project Number and Name, Purpose and Activity information, and Project dates.
Clear Cache

This is especially important after quarterly upgrades and patches so that you can access the most up-to-date version of Quantum. The best practice suggestion is to clear your browser cache every day as part of signing into Quantum. Instructions can be found here.

New Quantum Analytics WebEx Seminars and Workshops

Tips, Tricks & Troubleshooting for Sponsored Dashboard

This workshop provides user-friendly tips, tricks, and techniques specifically for Sponsored Management reports in Quantum Analytics including: keyboard and mouse shortcuts; reducing report clutter; using report views and filters; drilling on column or row labels vs. drilling on numbers; report hyperlinks; learning resources, and more. We will also delve into troubleshooting techniques that will help you select, design, and leverage your Analytic reports for greater understanding.

Actuals & Encumbrances in Transaction Details Union Report

This workshop introduces you to the broad range of reporting available in the Transaction Details Union reports and the User Aid “Cheat Sheets” designed to speed your reporting. Learn how to run, save, and export transaction detail reports for Actuals, Encumbrances, and/or both, providing a greater understanding of the columns of data that appear in each report.

Quantum Analytics Coaching Sessions

This workshop offers 45-minute timeslots for individual or small group Quantum Analytics users to receive coaching and instruction on reports of their choosing. Using WebEx, users will share their screen to work on specific reports with which they would like assistance, and/or to discover new reports they have not yet tried. The focus will be on topics that users bring to the session.

Quantum Analytics Case Studies Workshop

Case studies are stories used as teaching tools to show how a theory or concept applies to real situations. Beginning in January 2022, the Quantum Analytics Team will partner to demonstrate UMB Payroll-specific Case Studies on how Quantum Analytics reporting can be leveraged for specific business areas of our workforce, across multiple Analytics Dashboards. This workshop is targeted to those who have the Payroll Analyst role in Quantum Analytics.

PO Close email Reminder

The PO Close email that SSAS set up to streamline requests to close Purchase Orders has been working well. Remember, when you email PO_Close@umaryland.edu to request a PO to be closed, use the Subject line “Close PO#XXXXXXXXX” and provide the PO# and Supplier name in the body of the email. This additional information helps SSAS ensure they are closing the proper PO. If you are sending multiple PO’s in one email, use in the subject line “Close multiple PO’s” and list each PO# and Supplier name in the body of the email. SSAS will send a confirmation email once the PO’s are closed. SSAS reminds you to be sure that all receiving and invoicing has been completed before submitting the request to close the PO.

Clearing Requisitions from Workflow

Regularly clearing unneeded requisitions from your workflow in Quantum Financials is important to the accuracy of your encumbrance balances viewed in Quantum Analytics. Those who enter requisitions may notice there are some in your workflow that are no longer needed. They could have been returned by the Buyer, rejected, or otherwise abandoned. These unused requisitions will artificially inflate encumbrances in the Project commitment records and must be cleared from the workflow list. Steps for clearing the requisitions can be found on the Quantum website.

Don’t Default Customizations

Saving customizations in Quantum Analytics can be a time saver, but remember the best practice suggestion is to NOT set them up as a default. See the July 2020 issue of Quantum Bytes for more information about why and instructions to remove default customizations.
Quantum Financials classes are designed to introduce new users to the application, but current users are welcome to join any class for a refresher. The Quantum Training Team delivers classes over WebEx and has selected course content which can be delivered in 3 hours or less, including time for your questions. Register by 5 PM the day before the class to receive an email with instructions for joining your virtual class session. You can register either via the financial calendar or the training registration database. Please note that the Introduction to Quantum Financials class is a prerequisite to other Quantum Financials training classes and is offered monthly.

The January/February Quantum Financials training classes include:

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Note: Searching for NONPO Suppliers is now a separate class and a pre-requisite for Using NONPO Invoices for Check Requests

Information on required training for each Quantum Financials role is available on the Quantum Training and Support page. If you need additional information on Quantum training, please email the Quantum Training Team at DL-BF Financial Systems. We're Quantum Analytics classes do not require advance registration. You can access all the sessions using this log-in information: https://umaryland.webex.com/join/bmerrick. Access code: 730 028 347 To phone in: 415-655-0001.

Quantum Analytics User Aids are training and support learning resources located on the Quantum Analytics User Aids webpage on the Quantum website. They provide topic related information and include additional resources for Department end users.

Quantum Analytics classes are not a prerequisite for Using NONPO Invoices for Check Requests.