

Houston Public Media - H0277
Baseline Standards
FY 2018

Description of Responsibility		Responsible Person(s) (Name/Title)	
		Primary (Required)	Secondary (Optional)
DEPARTMENTAL POLICIES & PROCEDURES / BASELINE STANDARDS			
1	Ensuring the Departmental Policy and Procedures manual is current.	Pennington, Cynthia - Financial Analyst I	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
2	Updating the Baseline Standards Form.	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
FINANCIAL REPORTING - COST CENTER VERIFICATIONS			
1	Preparing cost center verifications.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Pennington, Cynthia - Financial Analyst I
2	Reviewing cost center verifications.	HPM Cost Center Managers	N/A
3	Approving cost center verifications.	HPM Cost Center Managers	N/A
4	Ensuring all cost centers are verified/approved on a timely basis.	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper	N/A
FINANCIAL REPORTING - EXPENDITURE TRANSACTIONS			
1	Ensuring valid authorization of purchase documents.	Flores, Yolanda - Coord, Fin II	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
2	Ensuring the validity of travel and expense reimbursements.	Vo, Van - Accountant II	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
3	Ensuring that goods and services are received and that timely payment is made.	Flores, Yolanda - Coord, Fin II	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
4	Ensuring correct account coding on purchases documents.	Flores, Yolanda - Coord, Fin II	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
5	Primary contact for inquiries to expenditure transactions.	Flores, Yolanda - Coord, Fin II	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
PAYROLL / HUMAN RESOURCES			
1	Ensuring all bi-weekly reported time and leave are approved before the deadlines set by Payroll, so that the correct hours are recorded and paid on each bi-weekly paycheck.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department Business	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
2	Ensuring all monthly leave is recorded and approved before the deadlines set by Payroll.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
3	Reconciling approved reported time and leave (bi-weekly employees) and ePARs (monthly employees) to the trial and final payroll verification reports.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department Business	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
4	Completing termination clearance procedures.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
5	Ensuring terminated employees are no longer charged to departmental cost centers.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
6	Maintaining departmental Personnel files.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
7	Ensuring valid authorization of new hires.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
8	Ensuring valid authorization of changes in compensation rates.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
9	Ensuring the accurate input of changes to the HR System.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
10	Consistent and efficient responses to inquiries.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper

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CASH HANDLING			
1	Collecting cash, checks, etc.	Flores, Yolanda - Coord, Fin II	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
2	Reconciling cash, checks, etc. to receipts.	Flores, Yolanda - Coord, Fin II	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
3	Preparing deposits.	Flores, Yolanda - Coord, Fin II	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
4	Preparing Journal Entries.	Flores, Yolanda - Coord, Fin II	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
5	Verifying deposits posted correctly in the Finance System.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
6	Adequacy of physical safeguards of cash receipts and equivalent.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
7	Secure deposits via UHDPS to Student Financial Services.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
8	Ensuring deposits are made timely.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
9	Ensuring all employees who handle cash have completed Cash Security Procedures or Cash Deposit and Security Procedures training.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department Business	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
10	Updating Cash Handling Procedures as needed.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Pennington, Cynthia - Financial Analyst I
11	Distribution of Cash Handling Procedures to employees who handle cash.	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
12	Consistent and efficient responses to inquiries.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Vo, Van - Accountant II
PETTY CASH			
1	Preparing petty cash disbursements.	N/A	N/A
2	Ensuring petty cash disbursements are not for more than \$100.	N/A	N/A
3	Ensuring petty cash disbursements are made for only authorized purposes.	N/A	N/A
4	Approving petty cash disbursements.	N/A	N/A
5	Replenishing the petty cash fund timely.	N/A	N/A
6	Ensuring the petty cash fund is balanced after each disbursement.	N/A	N/A
CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION			
1	Ensuring departmental personnel comply with contract administration policies/procedures.	Vo, Van - Accountant II	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT			
1	Performing the annual inventory.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Sidney Knight - Mgr, Coll/Div Info Svcs 2
2	Ensuring the annual inventory was completed correctly.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Sidney Knight - Mgr, Coll/Div Info Svcs 2
3	Tagging equipment.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Sidney Knight - Mgr, Coll/Div Info Svcs 2
4	Approving requests for removal of equipment from campus.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	N/A
DISCLOSURE FORMS			
1	Ensuring all employees with purchasing influence complete the annual Related Party disclosure statement online.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
2	Ensuring all full time, benefits eligible, exempt faculty and staff complete the Consulting disclosure statement online.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
3	Ensuring that all Principal and Co-Principal Investigators complete the annual Conflict of Interest disclosure statement for the Division of Research.	Pennington, Christy - Administrator, Department Business	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper

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ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE			
1	Extending of credit.	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
2	Billing.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
3	Collection.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
4	Recording.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
5	Monitoring credit extended.	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper
6	Approving write-offs.	Bali, Devi - CDBA	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
NEGATIVE BALANCES			
1	Ensuring that all fund groups for each Dept ID have positive fund equity at year-end.	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
2	Ensuring that research expenditures are covered by funds from sponsors.	Hopkins, Almarie - Asst Dir Col/Div Bus Oper	Maldonado, Adan - Accountant IV
DEPARTMENTAL COMPUTING			
1	Management of the departments' information technology resources.	Sidney Knight - Mgr, Coll/Div Info Svcs 2	Adams, Josh - Exec Dir, HPM Operations
2	Ensuring that critical data back up occurs.	Sidney Knight - Mgr, Coll/Div Info Svcs 2	Adams, Josh - Exec Dir, HPM Operations
3	Ensuring that procedures such as password controls are followed.	Sidney Knight - Mgr, Coll/Div Info Svcs 2	Adams, Josh - Exec Dir, HPM Operations
4	Reporting of suspected security violations.	Sidney Knight - Mgr, Coll/Div Info Svcs 2	Adams, Josh - Exec Dir, HPM Operations