

Effortless Facts July 2019 Edition

From Financial Compliance for Research!

Happy Fiscal New Year 2020!



If you have employees in your area leaving the University who are the named PI of a federal award(s), they will need to have a Proxy and/or Designee approved to certify the related effort after their departure. The form and directions for requesting these assignments are available on our [website](#).



The upgrade from ecrt to ECC has gone very smoothly. Although, we have had issues with reports not running correctly when using Internet Explorer and Microsoft Edge, which we have brought to the attention of the ECC developers. For best performance, the developers recommend using Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox browsers to access ECC.



*When SPAR reopens for modification on Wednesday, July 10, 2019, all entries will be recorded as FY 2020 transactions. Please keep in mind that any **SPAR modifications to the FY 2019 periods will be subject to fiscal year-end cut off rules** as follows:*

- Salary charges resulting from a modification will appear on the Labor Distribution reports for the affected accounts in the new fiscal year.*
- Salary credit transactions resulting from the modification will also be reflected on the Labor Distribution reports in the new fiscal year, except as noted below:
 - i. Credits to prior fiscal year operating accounts (entity 02 or 03) will not be awarded to those operating accounts. Instead, the prior fiscal year credit will be made to a General University account.**

FCR Website: <http://www.cfo.pitt.edu/fcr/index.php>

Contact Us: SPARhelp@cfo.pitt.edu

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
				INDEPENDENCE DAY		
		SPAR in query-only mode at 5:00 pm for FYE closing	SPAR in query-only mode for FYE closing	SPAR in query-only mode for FYE closing	SPAR in query-only mode for FYE closing	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	SPAR in query-only mode for FYE closing	SPAR in query-only mode for FYE closing	SPAR becomes available for update at 6:00 am			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
					SPAR in query-only mode from Midnight - 11:00 am for payroll processing	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		PI Certification Due Date	Deans/Chairs notified of uncertified effort			
28	29	30	31	AUG 1	2	3
		Last date to modify Jan-Apr SPARs and allow one business day for certification before Write-Off Date**	Last Date to modify Jan - Apr SPAR without 90-Day exception approval, but CAUTION - will not allow time for certification of federal effort*, **	Write-Off of Uncertified Effort at 7:00 am		

*Be certain no federal effort is involved in the modification

**SPAR modifications to January - June time periods will be subject to Fiscal-Year End Cut-Off rules