FY20 Carry Forward

For Fiscal Year 2020 and forward, UGA is changing how carry forward will be recorded in the general ledger. This affects the following fund types:

- DSS – Departmental Sales and Services – Funds 14XXX
- Indirect Cost Recovery – Fund 15000
- Tuition – Fund 10500
- Student Technology Fees – Fund 16000
- UGA Foundation – Fund 20200
- UGA Research Foundation – Fund 20300
- Endowment – Fund 20500

How will Carry Forward be calculated?
At the end of a Fiscal Year, a closing rule will be created to calculate as follows. This calculation will be determined at the Departmental level

+ Prior Year Carry Forward (Prior Year 499XXX)
+ Current Year Revenue (4XXXXX)
- Current Year Expenditures (500000 – 999999)

Amount available to be Carried Forward that will be closed to Fund Equity

How will Carry Forward be recorded on the Budgets and Actuals Ledgers?

Actuals Ledger
For FY20, UGA will change how this is reported on Actuals Ledger. In August, UGA Central Accounting will create entries for each department into a revenue account (499100) credited with the amount of carry forward for the specific type of funding. Each department will be able to see an actual revenue when comparing Budget to Actual.

An offsetting revenue will be debited in the overall UGA Central Institutional department to offset this revenue. This will zero out the revenue overall and result in net zero revenue in current year revenue. In the past, there was a budget created to reflect the amount available but no recognized revenue in the current year column because these funds were earned in prior years. This new process should increase visibility and understanding of available funding.

Budget Ledger
UGA Central Accounting will prepare and record a budget journal to record budget revenue and budget expense for the amounts calculated as carry forward available. The budgeted revenue/expense will equal the actuals ledger entry explained above.

What Happens if Carry Forward results in excess expenditures over revenues?
UGA is currently working on creating a policy on how these rare situations will be handled. For FY20, the negative carry forward will be recorded and budgeted. This will reduce the FY20 budgets and departments will need to limit spending until the deficit is made up (i.e. sales are generated/collection to equal the deficit). College and unit financial leads will also be notified and asked to monitor and address these issues early in FY20.