Overview

Today we will review...

- Definition and Types of Budgets
- The Budget Process
  - Commonwealth vs. University
- Fund & Ledger Information
- Overview of the Budget System
  - Line Item vs. Pool Budgeting
- Managing & Monitoring your Budget
  - BUDs and BUD Responsibilities
  - Budget Adjustments
  - Guidelines
- Reporting Errors & Requesting Corrections
- Financial Reporting Tools
  - We will not be reviewing the hows and whys...just what is available
Budgets
Definitions and Types of Budgets

University Revenues
- STUDENTS!
- Federal Funding
- State Funding
- Agencies
- Foundations
- Customers
- Auxiliaries
- Others

vs. Expenses...
- Debt Service
- Faculty & Staff Expenses
- Services
- Supplies & Equipment
- Students
- Rents
What is a Budget?

- A flexible financial plan that integrates competing demands while working towards a common goal.
- University’s Goal = our Mission Statement

2 Types of Budgets

- Operating Budgets
  - E&G
  - Auxiliary
- Capital Budgets

What is a Budget?

2 Types of Budgets

- Operating Budgets
  - Day-to-Day
  - Revenues =
    - State funding, student tuition & fees, product sales/services, foundation transfers, grant and/or research income
  - Expenses =
    - F/S salaries, operating supplies & equipment, travel, rentals, service charges, routine maintenance & repair, P/I, utilities
- Generally expire at the end of the Fiscal Year

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<td>Education &amp; General (E&amp;G)</td>
<td>Expire at the end of each FY</td>
<td>General &amp; Non-General Funds</td>
<td>Managed &amp; Budgeted Centrally</td>
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<td>Auxiliary</td>
<td>Remain as long as the unit remains financially solvent</td>
<td>NO State Fund allocation! - rather, self-supporting (fees, service charges)</td>
<td>Must build and maintain adequate reserves &amp; pay IDCs Managed using Annual Budgets</td>
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Capital Budgets

- **BIG STUFF!** Major expenditures on durable items
  - **Revenues =**
    - Mainly state appropriations, debt financing, major gifts
  - **Expenses =**
    - Construction, major maintenance/modernization, large equipment purchases, land or real estate purchase
- Funds last the ENTIRE duration of the project

Old Dominion Selects Football Stadium Construction Manager

ODU receives historic gift of $35 million to build art museum

Virginia Budget Process

How the Virginia Budget is Adopted & Why this is Important to ODU
5 Phases of the Virginia Budget

- ODU is a State Agency, so Virginia makes our $$ rules!
  - Biennial System
  - LONG Process

University Budget Process

- Phase I: Budget Planning
- Phase II: Budget Documentation
University Budget Process

- **2 Separate Phases: Planning & Documentation**
  - **Planning:** developing and approving the budget
    - Begins in Fall and continues into Spring
  - **Documentation:** approved budget documented & loaded into budget system
    - Begins in Spring and completed in June

## Executive Budget Planning

### Planning

- **Executive Budget Planning**
- **5 Year Financial Planning Model**
- **Working Sessions**
- **Budget Requests**
- **Resource Assessment Worksheets**
- **Auxiliary Services Budget Submissions**
- **Plan Formalization**

### Documentation

- **Recording State Approved Budget**
- **Budget Guidance Memorandum**
- **Documentation of Approved Budget Decisions**
- **Alignment of Base Budgets**

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### Phase I: Budget Planning

- **Executive Budget Planning**
  - President, COO, Provost, VPs, & Athletic Director plus the Budget Office establish strategic framework & financial scope of ODU Budget
  - Addresses major cost drivers associated with the implementation of our University Strategic Plan & critical success factors

- **5 Year Financial Planning Model**
  - President, COO, Provost, VPs, & Athletic Director plus the Budget Office now engage in committee-like working meetings to address the primary strategic and operational investments that will be recommended and pursued by the University

- **Working Sessions**
  - Forms available for formal requests – Departments make request that align with 5 year Model & University Strategic Plan, Executive Committee priorities and reviews – will deliberate on all request as a committee. Discuss each and create LOOSE plan together

- **Budget Requests**
  - COO, Provost, VPs, and Athletic Director receive workbook from Budget Office regarding each respective areas funded initiatives from the previous 2 budget cycles – reports on status/outcomes of each to help determine which may be discontinued, which may warrant more funding, and most importantly enables ODU to gauge success and outcomes of each

- **Resource Assessment Worksheets**
  - Works a little differently that E&G Budgets in that Auxiliary Services are self-sufficient. These budgets are developed and approved differently, but must fit within the overall University Budget & Operating Plan – reviewed, approved by Executive Planning Committee & Budget Office

- **Auxiliary Services Budget Submissions**
  - Approved Governor's Budget is now passed onto ODU – Budget Office and Executive committee member via Budget Guidance Memorandum

- **Conclusion of Executive Budget Planning**
  - Approved Governor's Budget is now passed onto ODU – Budget Office and Executive
  - then onto Phase II we go!
Phase II: Budget Documentation

- **Recording State Approved Budget**: Budget Office "double-checks" everything – then centrally records Commonwealth Appropriations and Allotments into the University Operating and Budget Plan model.

- **Budget Guidance Memorandum**: This is the communication used to make everyone aware of the Budget Creation Process – comes from the President's office to each VP – this is so everyone can get the same consistent message.

- **Documentation of Executive Budget Decisions**: Now departments participate in give-and-take. Each VP must document the detailed allocation of resources within their respective budget units, service fee/charge modifications or creation must be completed now and approved!

- **Alignment of Base Budgets**: Budget Unit Directors review their operating budget sub-accounts and realign their base budgets to reflect current operating costs or known future expense – goal is to minimize the number of budget adjustments required each year. THESE ARE DUE BY MID-MAY!

- **Approval of the University Budget & Operating Plan**: Budget Office compiles the University Operating Budget & Plan for presentation and approval by the Board of Visitors – outlining strategic direction, external influences, benchmark data and trend analysis, and comparisons with peer institutions – highlights of the Governor’s Budget impacts on the University

- **Base Budget Roll**: FINAL STEP! This is where we load the **100% Final Base Budget** into Banner – which will be utilized at the start of the next Fiscal Year (7/1). Budget Office responsible for this step – becomes the Operating Budget (BD01) for the new FY. Ledger 5 & 6 Budgets are exceptions!

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New Funding Available?

- **Academic Enterprises**
- **Campus Infrastructure**
- **Recruitment/Enrollment**
- **Campus Life**
Budget System Overview

Fund/Ledger Information, Organizational Budget Codes, Line Item vs. Pool Budgeting, Sub-Account Codes, & Fund Restrictions

Fund/Ledger Information

Funds?
- Utilized in Banner to manage and account for funding that is segregated for a specific purpose
  - Grouped by common designations/purposes

Ledgers?
- The way we group funds
  - Grouped by Common Designations and Financial Reporting Requirements

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<td>Tuition &amp; State Revenues</td>
<td>E&amp;G and other current unrestricted revenues and expenditures; Activities related to ODU’s Educational objectives such as instruction, research, public service, academic support, student services, institutional support, and maintenance of physical plant</td>
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<td>Various</td>
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<td>Student Fee Funds &amp; Enterprise Self-Generated Revenues</td>
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<td>State Appropriation, Scholarship/Fellowships</td>
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<td>A</td>
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<td>Funds held in custody for other agencies or organizations by the University – the University aides in the collection and disbursement of funds of the external entity</td>
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Organizational Budget Codes

5-digit code provided to each department to track all expenditures and revenues!
- Codes used in eVA, Banner, other University systems to transact business
- Each Budget Code is tied to **ONE** fund
  - Though - funds may hold multiple budget codes!

Organization Code Hierarchy

This hierarchy is used in Banner to help manage budgets and keep reporting consistent

University Budget System Overview

Budget System helps Budget Unit Directors plan for and manage all aspects of the financial activity of the University
- 515 Categories of Financial Activities (Sub-Accounts) in 3 general areas:
  - Revenue
  - Fund Transfers
  - Expenses
- ODU has 2 types of Budget Methods:
  - **Line Item Budgeting** – used for controlled sub-accounts
    - Revenues (3XXX), Personal Services (salaries) & Expense Recoveries, Transfers (99XX)
  - **Pool Budgeting** – used for all other expenses
    - Employee Benefits (4999), Nonpersonal Services (6999), Travel (7999), Equipment (9899)
    - Budget Adjustments to these are made at the Pool Level
    - Budgets are rolled in at the Pool level
Budget Structure

- All of ODU’s Money
- Where the money comes from (Commonwealth or Local Funding)
- Your Department
- Line-Items/Pools pertaining to your budget (revenues and expenditures)

Sub-Account Codes

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Sub-Account Code list may be found at: https://www.odu.edu/facultystaff/university-business/budget/resources
And Now...

Accrual Accounting

What is Accrual Accounting?, The elusive “13th” month (aka: Fiscal Period 14), & Addressing Errors in your budget
What is Accrual Accounting?

Revenues are recorded when they are earned, and/or the expenses are recorded when they are incurred.

- Date **RECEIVED** = fiscal year the expenditure is recorded
- **Received on or before June 30?** Charged to **current FY**
- **Received on or after July 1?** Charged to **new FY**

“13th” Month?

Fiscal Year: July 1 – June 30
- “13th” Month is where we process all goods/services received on or before 6/30 payments – called the “Accrual Period” or the actual Fiscal Period
- Financial Records adjusted to reflect revenue and expenditures as of 6/30
- Also a time to correct any payment mistakes
- Process complete usually by end of July each year

Monthly Budget Review & Adjustments

BUDS and BUD Responsibilities, Establishing a New Budget, Budget Adjustments, & Guidelines
BUDS

What is a BUD?

- **Budget Unit Director**: "individuals who are responsible and accountable for all budgetary and fiscal matters pertaining to their respective department/college or unit..."
  - Who is your area BUD?
  - BUDs are stewards of funds provided by the Commonwealth & the University
  - Funds must best serve the University and its mission
  - Plan for use of funds, determine availability of funds before initiating expenditures
  - Review and Ensure funds expended in compliance with State/ODU Policy
  - Also ensure they are indeed expended for intended purpose
  - Monitor expenditures & ensure they do not exceed budget authority
  - Review University Policy #3001: Responsibility of BUDs on Use of Funds (Expended)

Can BUDs approve their own fiscal transactions?

- NO WAY! The BUD’s immediate supervisor must approve such transactions.

How is a BUD Designated?

- Main BUD/Supervisor sends notification to Finance Systems Manager
- Newly appointed BUD added to Master Signature List
- Note made in Banner that shows main BUD of record
- Changing the BUD? Complete the Change the Budget Unit Director of a Budget Form

Can anyone else sign off on transactions?

- **BUD-appointed Delegate**: Maintain signature authority – predominately in the absence of the BUD

Each Vice President has the ability to require additional levels of approval within their organizational structure. Below are University Requirements.

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**Exceptions**:
- Academic Affairs:
  - All budget adjustments and re-allocations must be routed through/approved by the AVP for Academic Affairs
  - The Provost may centrally manage and/or allocate funding within AA. These transactions are approved and posted by the UBO and require approval from the VP for Finance and Administration or the COO, should they exceed $1,000,000.
  - The Budget Office retains delegated authority to record transactions related to Grants, Foundation Transfers, Revenues, ETF, Fund Transfers, Financial Aid, FT Salaries, Benefits, Capital Projects, Maintenance Reserves, and other technical adjustments required by the Department of Planning and Budget

**Additional Restrictions**:
- Departments may not move FT Salaries and fringe to NPS or any other areas without Budget Office Approval.
- FWS funds managed by CDS may not be moved to any other account codes.
- Only BUDs or Auxiliary Services, CEPS, Grants, Agency Funds, and GIF Org Units may submit Revenue and Expenditure increases/decreases. These transactions must be approved by the respective VP/Executive Officer.
Budget Adjustments

What is a Budget Adjustment?

- Budget Adjustment - increase, decrease, or transfer funds, both inter- or intra-, among line-items and/or budget pools
- Budget Adjustment Form must be completed and approved - http://www.odu.edu/content/dam/odu/offices/budget-office/docs/RequestforNewBudgetUnitrev9-27-11.pdf
- Is a Budget Adjustment different from a Fund Transfer?
  - YES! Fund transfers are accounting transactions that move cash from one fund to another
    - Mandatory or NonMandatory
    - Fund Transfers should be included in the Budget Process for approval

Is a Budget Adjustment different from an IDT/ASR?

- YES! More on this later...

Budget Adjustment Guidelines

- Revenues
- Personal Services Increases/Decreases
- OTPay
- Equipment
- Central Services
- General Position Actions
Establishing a New Budget

How to request a new organizational budgetary unit?

- Must be requested, or is deemed necessary during the Budget Development Process.
  - Sometimes as new grants are received during the course of the year, or as organizational changes and programs are implemented, new budget units may be established.

Budget Management and Monthly Review

After budget information for your Org is rolled into Banner and the FY begins...

- Federal, State, and University policies and guidelines must be followed
  - These help provide assurance that appropriate levels of management are staying abreast of material changes to the budget
  - Budget Office website has current details regarding ALL budget management information
    - Info reviewed at beginning of each FY

Budget Management Tools

Financial Reporting Tools: Banner, Insight, & Banner ePrint, plus Access Requests

http://www.odu.edu/facultystaff/training-development/banner-training * https://www.odu.edu/budgetoffice
Banner, ePrint, & Insight

- **Banner** is primary system used at University for budget management
  - Automated, live system – no more hard-copy reports!
  - Access required, may be taken away
    - Banner Document Management (BDM)
- **Banner ePrint** available to provide accurate, final, validated **monthly** Budget Reports
  - If you need Payroll Reports, you must request this separately – use the **ePrint Payroll Report Request Form**
- **Insight** pulls data from Banner – is another way to review and access **daily** budget reports

**Trainings** available for each Budget Management Tool - contact bannerhotline@odu.edu for more information, or check the Office of Finance Webpage: [www.odu.edu/finance](http://www.odu.edu/finance)

Banner Access

Any Banner User must be granted appropriate access

- Especially once a new budget is created!
- Access to Request: **Org Budget Code(s)** & **FIN_EVERYONE** (for Budget Management Responsibilities)
- User must complete an Account Request through the **Midas Account Request Process**
  - Guide: [https://www.odu.edu/content/dam/odu/offices/occs/docs/midas-account-request.pdf](https://www.odu.edu/content/dam/odu/offices/occs/docs/midas-account-request.pdf)
  - **Automatically routed for approval** – more efficient
    - BUD Approves
    - Sent to Finance Systems Manager
      - Are you the BUD? Someone higher must approve the form or may send an email request to the Finance Systems Manager to request access

For complete list of all access classes within Banner Finance: [https://www.odu.edu/facultystaff/university-business/banner/finance](https://www.odu.edu/facultystaff/university-business/banner/finance)
Budget Errors?

Reporting Budget Errors, Requesting Budget Corrections – IDTs & ASRs

Resolving Budget Discrepancies

The Office of Finance is responsible for researching and resolving **ALL** budget errors discovered by University Departments

What to do if you notice a Budget Discrepancy?

- Do you know the specific correction information, therefore no research needs to be conducted?
  - Complete an **IDT**
- Do you rather need to initiate research because you cannot identify why the charge was made to your budget?
  - Complete an **ASR**
**IDTs**

**Interdepartmental Transfers**

Used to move expenditure from one budget unit/Sub-Account Code to another - **WHEN YOU KNOW!**

- Usually required when charge was processed against budget code in error and requires correction OR if particular expenditure should be split between two/more budget codes
- Budget corrections, transferring charges (reimbursing) recording expense charges

**IDTs@odu.edu**

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**ASRs**

**Accounting Service Requests**

Used to initiate research for unidentifiable charges that need resolution - **WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW!**

- Signature not needed for ASRs, unlike with IDTs.

**DataControlASR@odu.edu**

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**Forms to Use**

Each may be found on the Office of Finance & Budget Office Websites

[http://www.odu.edu/finance](http://www.odu.edu/finance)  *  [https://www.odu.edu/budgetoffice](https://www.odu.edu/budgetoffice)
Base Budget Distribution Worksheet

Request to be Added to the Master Signature List

Submit this form to:

Linda Meyers
Finance Systems Manager
Office of Finance
Phone: 773-207

Submit this form to:

Request Date: [ ]
Org Code: [ ]
Requestor Printed Name: [ ]
Requestor Title: [ ]
Signature: [ ]

Printed Name: [ ]
Title: [ ]
Campus Tel: # [ ]
Office location: [ ]
Signature: [ ]
Request to Change the Budget Unit Director of a Budget

Budget Adjustment Form
ePrint Payroll Report Request Form

Interdepartmental Transfer Request (IDT) Form

IDTs@odu.edu
Accounting Service Request (ASR) Form

DataControlASR@odu.edu

General Reminders
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<td><strong>Shawnda English</strong>&lt;br&gt;Capital Budget Analyst</td>
<td>Manages financial accounting and reporting areas for Banner &amp; Cardinal</td>
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Policy Review: University Policy #3001 – Responsibility of Budget Unit Directors on Use of Funds (Expenditures)

- [https://www.odu.edu/about/policiesandprocedures/university](https://www.odu.edu/about/policiesandprocedures/university)

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**Guess What?!**

*I think that pretty much sums it up.*

- Any Questions?
Certificate in University Financial Management
Budget Process & Management – Terminology

- **Auxiliary Services** - Activities within the University, which furnish a service directly or indirectly to students and faculty, are considered auxiliary services. These activities charge fees directly related to, but not necessarily equal to, the cost of service. The public may also be served indirectly by some auxiliary services. These services are essential support elements of the institution’s program and are considered self-supporting (Parking Services, Housing & Residence Life, Athletics, Student Recreation Center, etc.)

- **Budget Adjustment** - When funds must be transferred from one budget to another, a **budget adjustment form** must be completed, signed by the budget unit director, and forwarded to the Budget Office for processing. This form must also be completed when moving funds from a "locked" line item (i.e., salaries, overtime) to another line item or pool account. Generally, funds are moved from pool account to pool account unless they fall into the "locked" (line item budgeted) category.

- **Budget, Base** – The annual budget commitment for ongoing operations of a department or area. Represents the “base” commitment of resources for operations. The base is not designed to fund special projects and/or temporary shifts in operating expenditures. The base budget may be modified during the course of an operating budget year and/or during the budget development process.

- **Budget, Operating (OPAL)** – The annual operating budgets of a department or area. The operating budget includes base funding as well as one-time funding for special projects and/or temporary shifts in operating expenditures. Budget units may shift funds within their operating budget to align resources with specific needs in a given year.

- **Budget Prep** - Each year, budget unit directors are required to put together an estimate of projected expenditures (including justification for increases or decreases) for the following fiscal year. The process of preparing the budget materials and submitting them for approval or modification is referred to as budget prep.

- **DPB** – Department of Planning and Budget.

- **Deposit** - The term used to describe funds being put into a budget.

- **E&G** – Education and General funds. E & G funds are made up of two allocations called general and nongeneral. The general funds are tax revenues collected by the State and appropriated to the University as our share of all tax revenues. The nongeneral funds are the tuition charges paid by students.

- **Encumbrance** - When a purchase order is issued, the funds for the purchase must be reserved. The process of reserving the funds is referred to as encumbrance. Once funds are encumbered, they are removed from the balance available. This prevents over-expenditures from occurring.

- **Expenditures** - Refers to the actual funds expended. When a vendor bill is paid, it becomes an expenditure.

- **Equipment Trust Fund (ETF)** - The Higher Education Equipment Trust Fund (HEETF) was established in 1986 by the General Assembly to provide funding to upgrade equipment needed for instruction and research. The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) shares administrative responsibility for the program with the Virginia College Building Authority (VCBA) and the Department of Treasury.

- **Fiscal Year** - The University’s fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30.

- **Funds / Fund Balance** - A Fund is a self-balancing set of accounts, segregated for specific purposes in accordance with laws and regulations or special restrictions and limitations. The Fund Balance is the residual balance of Revenues less Expenses of the accounts maintained within the Fund.

- **Indirect Costs (IDC)** - Auxiliary Enterprise units are required by the State to pay for the indirect costs of services received from E&G activities.

- **Insufficient Funds** - Prior to a purchase order being issued to a vendor, the funds must be encumbered. If funds in the budget are not adequate to cover the expected expenditure, this lack is referred to as *insufficient funds*.

- **Interdepartmental Transfer** - When funds must be transferred between budgets at the University, an Interdepartmental Transfer Request (IDT) form must be completed and signed by both budget units affected. The IDT form is forwarded to the Office of Finance for processing. IDTs can be requested for the following reasons: to reimburse a department for expenditures, to pay for services rendered, or to correct an original charge from one budget to another. To request *research* of unidentified charges to your budget, use the Accounting Service Request Form (ASR). IDTs and ASRs are discussed in *Error Correction Process (IDTs and Accounting Service Requests)* in Budget Management and Financial Reporting.
- **Journal Entry** - This term refers to the actual computer entry to move revenues or expenditures from one department to another via an IDT (Interdepartmental Transfer).
- **Line Item Budgeting** - Certain expenditure items (for example, classified salaries, wages, overtime) are budgeted at the line item. Funds in these line items may be moved via budget adjustment only.
- **Liquidation** - After a purchase order is complete, the vendor bill is paid. If the amount expended is less than the original amount encumbered, it is possible some funds will remain encumbered. The process of releasing those funds is referred to as liquidation. Liquidation requests are handled by Procurement Services.
- **NPS (Nonpersonal Services)** - Contractual services, supplies and materials – made up of the sub-accounts in the 5000 and 6000 series.
- **ODS (Operational Data Store)** - This is the Ellucian product used for budget reporting using Insight. ODS is created using data from Banner. Reports are accessed via Insight.
- **Org Code** - The terms "budget code" and "organization (org) code" are synonymous. They represent the five digit code used to identify the department for financial transactions (i.e., 1CL00 is the budget code for the Controller's Office).
- **Pool Budgeting** - Refers to the items within the budget that are not "locked" into specific line item categories. Generally benefits, non-personal services, travel, and equipment use the pool budgeting method.
- **Recovery** - Refers to a special kind of budget used to recover funds expended by a service-oriented unit in the performance of approved activities. Recovery budgets may expend only funds for which they can charge-back other departments. For example, telephones are charged to departments as a recovery.
  - If funds being deposited are for recovery of services, they must be deposited to the appropriate recovery account.
  - Recovery accounts can be either intra-agency recovery (recoveries from within the University) or inter-agency recovery (outside the University, but within the state).
- **Revenues** are funds paid to the University for services or for donations. Revenues are recorded in the period in which they are earned, regardless of when the payment is actually received.
- **SCHEV** - Established in 1956, The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) is the Commonwealth's coordinating body for higher education. Their mission is "to promote the development of an educationally and economically sound, vigorous, progressive, and coordinated system of higher education" in Virginia.
- **Service Units** are areas that provide specific types of services to the University community as a regular course of business.
  - Examples of service units include Dining Services, telephones, and Facilities Management.
- **Sub-Object Code** - The sub-object code is for use in identifying a category of expense or transfer payment in the budget process and for coding purchase requisitions, purchase orders, travel documents, etc.
- **Transfers** - The act of moving money from one fund to another. Fund transfers are accounting transactions that move cash from one fund to another and are classified as mandatory (arising from binding legal agreements) and non-mandatory (agency discretion).
- **Vendor Number** - All vendors doing business with Old Dominion University are identified by their Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) or, in the case of sole proprietorships, the University Identification Number (UIN). The University is required to have an IRS form W-9 (Request for Taxpayer Identification) or W-8BEN (international vendors/individuals) or an acceptable substitute on file for each vendor receiving payments from the University. No purchase orders or checks may be issued to vendors until Accounts Payable has this information on file. Departments are responsible for obtaining either the W-9 or the W-8BEN for new vendors.
- **Vouchers** - Every expenditure made by the University has payment documentation (referred to as a voucher) for record-keeping purposes. A voucher may contain payment for more than one expenditure/invoice.