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## 1 THANKSGIVING RECESS

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The Office of Sponsored Projects will be closed tomorrow, Wednesday, November 25 through Friday, November 27 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Any proposals due to sponsors during this time must be submitted to OSP for final review before close of business today, November 24, 2020. No proposals will be submitted during the Thanksgiving break. We will resume our regular hours of operation on Monday, November 30, 2020.

## 2 F&A COST ADJUSTMENT FOR ICLOUD EXPENSES

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Spend category (SC) 183 *Supplies-Software Cloud License* has been assessing F&A since the implementation of Workday and OSP would complete manual F&A adjustments to credit those costs. OSP will no longer complete manual F&A cost adjustments for iCloud expenses that are charged to federally sponsored awards.

Please be reminded of the spend category description, SC183, *Supplies-Software Cloud License: Licenses and subscriptions* that is to be used for cloud-based software packages. This SC should not be used for cloud-based data storage or for purchased or Yale-hosted software.

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## 3 NCURA WEBINAR ON UNIFORM GUIDANCE REVISIONS

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OSP has secured registration for our entire research community to log into the NCURA webinar on Uniform Guidance revisions.

### Navigating Revisions to the Uniform Guidance

Live December 14, 2:00-3:30 pm ET

In 2013 the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) partnered with the Council on Financial Assistance Reform (COFAR) to revise and streamline existing financial assistance regulations. The result was the Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200), which became effective on December 26, 2014. In many ways, the UG changed how recipients approached the management of federal financial assistance. The COFAR was tasked with providing clarifications in response to questions posed by the recipient community; these clarifications were issued in the form of Frequently Asked Questions. Now, in 2020, OMB has revised the Uniform Guidance to convey further clarification and guidance.

In this webinar we will discuss key changes reflected in the 2020 revision, including updated definitions, new requirements as well as modifications to existing requirements. Our discussion will include the government's purpose in making a particular change, as well as the potential impact to institutions. Please join us for an informative session reviewing one of the key documents impacting sponsored awards at our institutions.

For the additional sites for the webinar, Yale colleagues can use the link below to register for the extra logins. This link is only for our colleagues at Yale.

[https://onlinelearning.ncura.edu/p/201214\\_extra\\_login](https://onlinelearning.ncura.edu/p/201214_extra_login)

If the person registering for the extra login doesn't already have an NCURA Profile, please have him/her go here first <https://www.ncura.edu/Login.aspx> to create a profile. He/she can then log in using the link above to register for the extra site.

When Yale colleagues register themselves, they will receive a confirmation email with their own link for the live webinar. They should log in with their own NCURA username and password for the live webinar to receive their CE credits.

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## 4 BROWN BAG MEETING

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As a reminder, our next Brown Bag is scheduled for January 20, 2021. During the *What's on Your Mind* Q&A portion of the January Brown Bag, we will be answering your questions about managing an award.

Please submit questions to: [osp.trainings@yale.edu](mailto:osp.trainings@yale.edu) by **12:00pm, Thursday, January 14, 2021**. If the question is specific to your department then we will forward it to one of our OSP SMEs (subject matter experts).

## 5 OSP TRAINING

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### 5.1 INSTRUCTOR-LED TRAINING (ILT): UPCOMING CLASSES

Registrations are open for the following Zoom classes (*VPN required*):

- December 8: [Financial Reporting and Closeout](#)
- January 11, 12, 13, 14: [Introduction to Sponsored Projects Administration](#)
- January 26, 27, 28: [IRES Proposal Development \(PD\)](#)

### 5.2 ONLINE SELF-PACED LEARNING

The following OSP training courses are available online. If you have any questions after completing the course, email [osp.trainings@yale.edu](mailto:osp.trainings@yale.edu) and we will forward your question to the appropriate subject matter expert.

- [Allocating Allowable Costs - Online](#)
- [Cost Transfer Principles - Online](#) - this course is in the process of being updated to reflect recent University policy changes. We will let you know when this course is back online in an upcoming OSP News & Updates email.
- [Direct Charging of F&A Type Costs on Sponsored Awards - Online](#)
- [IRES Proposal Tracking \(PT\) Overview - Online](#)
- [Subrecipient Basics and Monitoring - Online](#)
- [What Research Staff Need to Know About Spending Sponsored Projects Funds - Online](#)

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