# IMPACT23 INSIDER NEWS



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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Impact23 Moves to Testing Phase**

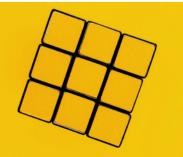
On October 11, the Impact23 team began an 8-month series of <u>iterative test cycles</u>. Testing enables execution of Impact23 business processes in a simulated environment to validate that the system design meets UC Riverside's user story requirements before it goes live.

SIT, or System Integration Testing, involves using test scripts to ensure that functionality and system outputs meet expectations. Test scripts break down a process into a series of steps that are executed in the test environment. This allows testers to systematically walk through a process in the new system. If all goes well, the test script produces the expected outcome and receives formal sign-off. If outcomes vary from expectations, testers log the defect, and the Impact23 team tackles defect resolution. Once a defect is fixed, the script reenters the testing process to validate and obtain sign-off.

Individuals invited to participate in the first round of testing were limited; though with each new cycle, the number of individuals invited to test will expand. By April 2023, the largest, most diverse population will be invited to participate in UAT, or User Acceptance Testing. If you are interested in participating, discuss with your supervisor and be on the lookout for the Impact23 Individual Extended Tester Nomination announcement!

#### **Travel Booking Reminders**

UCR Travelers can use the Concur Travel module to compare, select dates and prices, and book flights, hotels, and car rentals through <u>Anthony Travel</u>. You can still book with SWABIZ, check out the Company Notes in Concur for details. Reminder, effective 9/1/2022, purchases through BCD and UCTC should be paid using a corporate T&E Card, a PCard, or Out of Pocket - i.e., no Purchase Orders.



Impact23 KNOWledge Check:
Chart of Accounts & POETAF

START QUIZ

## Modernizing UCR financial systems to support the research, instruction and robust academic mission of the University



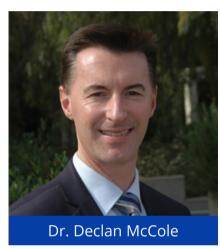
#### Impact23 Faculty Collaboration & Feedback

The Impact23 Executive Sponsors and Steering Committee intentionally designed a program team focused on cross-campus collaboration, with a specific aim to ensure that the faculty voice had representation. At the inception of the program, a Faculty Advisory Workgroup was established to advise the Impact23 Program. To further strengthen our shared governance model and to ensure adequate faculty input, **Dr. Declan McCole**, Vice Chair of the Academic Senate Executive Council and Professor, School of Medicine has been appointed to the Impact23 Executive Steering Committee.

#### **Faculty Advisory Workgroup**

The <u>Faculty Advisory Workgroup</u> meets monthly and was established during the early phases of the program. The workgroup is led by Veronica Ruiz, CFAO Chancellor's Office, Provost, and Planning, Budget & Administration and Impact23 Steering Committee, and its objectives are:

 Identify issues of concern to the faculty, provide recommendations for problem resolution, and the best approach to engaging and communicating with faculty across campus regarding the implementation of new systems, and processes, related to Impact23.



- Provide feedback and recommendations on faculty financial reporting needs as well as other system functionality unique to a faculty member and provide a faculty perspective for the Impact23 implementation.
- Engage collaboratively and consider the needs and requirements of other faculty in providing feedback and proposing recommendations towards workgroup specific deliverables.

At a recent Faculty Advisory Workgroup session, the workgroup was briefed on planned faculty involvement in the Impact23 testing strategy and the approach to future state financial reporting, especially as it relates to Faculty portfolio reporting using GL & PPM segments (Flex Fields & POETAF).

#### **Executive Engagement**

Faculty and administrators depend upon a high degree of consultation and trust. Accordingly, Impact23 Executive Steering Committee Sponsors are attending meetings with Faculty Chairs and plan to engage regularly with the Academic Senate to provide program updates.

In addition to Faculty, Executive Steering Committee Sponsors and the broader program team have been communicating and engaging CFAO's across ORGs on topics including:

- Development of the new Chart of Accounts segment values & mapping
- Naming conventions for chartfield segments related to sponsored contracts and grants
- Input on financial reporting structures and prioritzation of campus needs
- Activation for extended campus testers as the testing cycles progress

The Impact23 Sponsors are committed to the continuation of executive outreach efforts to engage faculty, financial leadership, and employee audiences in campus departments throughout the Impact23 program.

#### **TRAINING & SUPPORT**

## Your Guide to Finding Training and Help as we Modernize UC Riverside's Financial Systems!

Training will be available as we roll out new systems to provide you with a broad system overview and the skills you need to perform your duties.



### NEW RESOURCES





#### **Impact23 User Group Meeting**

Tuesday, November 15, 10:00 – 11:00 am / Link to Join: <a href="https://ucr.zoom.us/j/93342535743">https://ucr.zoom.us/j/93342535743</a>

Consolidating the former C&G, eBuy, and UCRFS user group meetings. This user group serves as a space for sharing more detailed decisions and updates regarding the future state system.

#### **Concur User Group**

Tuesday, November 22, 11:00 - 12:00 pm / Link to Join: <a href="https://ucr.zoom.us/j/94951880694">https://ucr.zoom.us/j/94951880694</a>

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