

Grants Advisory Board Indirect Costs (IDC) Policy

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I. Distribution:

The proposed distribution will be the standard for any grant or contract that has a negotiated IDC. This distribution will apply to both public and private grants and contracts.

In the case of multiple principal investigators/departments, IDC distribution will be determined and specified prior to the proposal submission.

The PI, with the support of the home department, may appeal to the Provost Office for a greater distribution of the IDC from the General Fund share.

Any PI request to lower the overall, standard IDC must be approved by the Provost and Chief Financial Officer.

OLD DISTRIBUTION:

- Office of Research & Sponsored Programs (ORSP) – 25%
- Principal Investigator – 25%
- University General Fund – 50%

CURRENT DISTRIBUTION:

- Office of Research & Sponsored Programs – 25%
- Principal Investigator – 25%
- PI Department/Unit – 10%
- Wilson Library – 5%
- University Strategic Initiatives administered by Provost Office (diversity, retention, data driven decisions, etc...) – 5%
- General Fund (Technology, Facilities and other needs) – 30%

NOTE 1: Examples of allowable use of PI Department/Unit funds include student stipends for research assistance, research-related travel, and research-related equipment.

NOTE 2: Ensure a separate FOAP is created for departments (“Department Restricted Research Funding”).

II. IDC Share Rollover

With the exception of the General Fund, all IDC distributed shall be transferred directly into restricted, Fund 2 accounts; these resources will not be swept to the General Fund. This practice will allow for the on-going support of research activities initiated through the support of external funding (e.g., continue contracts for databases), as well as promote the development of a culture of research at the University (e.g., provide external expert consultation to faculty and to ORSP).