

Decision Support has many products, solutions, and services that help the University of Illinois conduct business more efficiently, gain insight, and transform data into information that enables better decision making. The **Financial Toolkit** highlights some of our offerings that can assist you with your budget planning, financial analysis, and cost monitoring. If you have any questions or suggestions for additional tools, please don't hesitate to contact us.

In addition to the specific training mentioned below, we offer [1-on-1 assistance](#) to answer all your questions on these topics or any other challenges you are facing. You can also see information on our [classes and workshops](#) and view our entire current [training schedule](#) and register for sessions.

Budget Operating Statement

This Business Objects universe contains all finance expenses at the detail level including Payroll transaction detail by person. This Universe is structured similarly to Finance - OLGL, but contains only expenditures and adds the ability to augment payroll transactions with person, position, and job information from HR/Pay data. This Universe also contains C-FOAPAL hierarchies as well as information related to financial persons. This Universe contains expense data from the current and one previous fiscal year.

Business Objects Universe(s):

- [BOS Expenses Universe](#)
 - [Quick Reference Guide](#)
 - [Detailed Universe Guide](#)

Related Solution(s):

- [Combined Finance & Payroll Monthly Expenditures](#)

Sample report(s):

- [Detailed Monthly Expenses](#)

Training:

- Webcast: Budget Operating Statement (BOS 3) – Detail Expense Tracking
This class will review the Budget Operating Statement Expenses Universe. We will create a report that shows all detailed expenses for a particular fiscal year and period for and organization.

Purchase Order/Invoices

This Business Objects universe should be used for all reporting related to requisitions, purchase orders, and invoice vouchers. Using this universe, you can create reports listing posted requisitions for a specific unit, analyze POs and their related invoice vouchers, and investigate items purchased and paid.

Business Objects Universe(s):

- [Purchase Order / Invoices Universe](#)
 - [Quick Reference Guide](#)
 - [Detailed Universe Guide](#)

Related Solution(s):

- [Purchase Order Listing](#)

Sample report(s):

- [List of POs, IVs, and Payments for a Fiscal Year by Resp Chart & Org Details](#)
- [College and Dept Listing by Chart and Fund Listing by Org](#)
- [Listing of Financial Persons Using the 3-Digit Org Code Embedded in the Fund Title](#)

Grants

The Grants Proposals Business Objects universe contains information about pre-award grants (proposals) from the UIeRA system. For each proposal, users have access to the proposal budget(s), summarized budget activity for each proposal, personnel associated with the proposal, sponsoring agency information, and current status. This universe is useful for listing proposals, proposal current status, principal investigator, co investigators, proposal start and end dates, or analysis of proposal budget(s).

The Grants Inception to Date Business Objects universe contains primarily information about post-award grants and contracts. For each grant, users have access to the grant budget, detailed inception to date fiscal activity for each grant fund, personnel associated with the grant, granting agency information, and information about grant sponsor billing. This universe is useful for reporting listing grants, principal investigator, grant start and end dates, or analysis of grant expenditures and budget.

Business Objects Universe(s):

- [Grants Proposals](#)
 - [Quick Reference Guide](#)
 - [Detailed Universe Guide](#)
- [Grants Inception to Date](#)
 - [Quick Reference Guide](#)
 - [Detailed Universe Guide](#)

Related Solution(s):

- [Grants Proposals by Department](#)
- [Direct & Indirect Expenses for Grant Funds](#)

Sample report(s):

- [Grants Listings by Responsible Organization](#)

Position / Job Hierarchy

This Business Objects universe contains historical records of positions held by employees. This includes position, position attribute, and job information, as well as biographic and demographic information for employees.

Business Objects Universe(s):

- [Position / Job Hierarchy](#)
 - [Quick Reference Guide](#)
 - [Detailed Universe Guide](#)

Related Solution(s):

- [Current Job Listing](#)
- [Employee Class \(E-Class\) Listing](#)
- [Employee Job/Job Detail Listing](#)
- [Salary Planner Preparation](#)

Sample report(s):

- [Notice of Appointment Verification](#)
- [Count of Position Incumbents](#)
- [Employees by Position & Salary](#)

Payroll

This Business Objects universe contains historical records of payroll runs. This includes the gross pay, employer paid benefits, earnings transfers, re-issued checks, as well as the C-FOAPAL pay has been posted to for each employee. Also contained in this universe is position and job information.

Business Objects Universe(s):

- [Payroll](#)
 - [Quick Reference Guide](#)
 - [Detailed Universe Guide](#)

Related Solution(s):

- [Employee Payroll Listing by Paying Organization](#) (Who am I paying?)
- [Paying C-FOAPs for Employees in an Organization](#) (Who is paying my employees?)

Sample report(s):

- [Payroll by Earn Code or Month](#)
- [Fiscal Year Payroll History](#)
- [Voids & Redistributions for Org or Person](#)