Proposals

A-1. Add a New or Update an Existing Proposal and entering the Proposal page data (v8.9)

These instructions are written for preparations of a new NIH proposal; however, the information applies to all sponsors.

**REQUIRED fields are highlighted.** You will not be able to save the proposal until the required fields in Proposal, Projects, and Key Words pages are filled in. The Location page auto-populates based on the PI, but should be checked.

**New in v8.9:**
- The first tab is called Proposal rather than Header
- There are few new fields: CFDA, Confidence % and Template Proposal
- The Start and End Dates are entered once for a proposal on the Proposal page
- Budget Periods are built in the Proposal page rather than Budget Period page
- New button called Build Periods creates the budget periods
- Target Sponsor Budget field is included in the new Budget Periods section. It now is a total amount derived from the budget line entries; in v8.4 it was an entry field in the Budget Header page.
- Location and Key Words are links at the bottom of the page (not tabs at top)

**Navigation.**
- Go to UD Financials Menu: Grants→Proposals→Maintain Proposal.
- At the Maintain Proposal search page, select one of the following:
  - Add a New Value if this is a new proposal
  - Find an Existing Value if this is a work-in-progress and has been previously saved.

**Business Unit** is always UOD01.
• **Proposal ID** - For new proposals leave the ID as “NEXT.” This allows the auto numbering feature to automatically assign the proposal, award, and project ID numbers.

• **Version ID** - New proposals default to V101. Do not change it.

• Click Add button.

*Proposal, Award, and Project numbers are defined as follows:*

  o The proposal is the component that consists of the statement of work, research plans, technical reports, the proposal budget, as well as administrative, personnel, and submission information required by external funding agencies. The proposal number is assigned to a proposal when the record is first saved.

  o The information you create and maintain in the award profile establishes an award, defined as an executed agreement between an institution and a sponsor, within the post-award system. An award is associated with one business unit, one billing sponsor, and one award sponsor; each award must have at least one project and at least one activity. The bulk of this award setup information defaults in when OVPR runs the award generation process, thus saving the time from having to reenter data.

  o The project is where all financial activity occurs. There must be one primary project associated with an award. The project number on the proposal assigned by the system will be unique. Multiple projects can be associated with an award. (Note: if the proposal is awarded, the proposal project number will be over-written to conform with UD naming convention based on the Purpose.)

  o Delegated Authority grants will be awarded, managed and billed by the colleges themselves. Separate instructions will be provided for these processes.
The **Proposal** tab is the first of four pages that require data entry before you can save the proposal (the other three are **Projects**, **Location** and **Key Words**). The proposal number will be assigned after you save it. All tabs within this menu item display the proposal Version ID, thus enabling you to track changes to a proposal. **REQUIRED fields are highlighted.**

1. **Description** - Type a brief description in ALL CAPS (it should be the same as **Title**).
2. **Version** - Proposal version ID, which enables the user to track proposal changes.
3. **Title** (was called Short Title in 8.4)
   - Enter a proposal name (maximum 56 characters, please only use 30). The naming convention is: ALL CAPS Sponsor Acronym plus a *brief project title* (e.g. NFS COMBINED RESEARCH ROBINSON). Make sure it reflects the overall nature of the proposal, because it will show up on all projects under this proposal. The system uses the Title in the award process to name the award.
4. **Description link** - accesses the long title description page. The full proposal title is entered on this page (maximum 256 characters). Text can be cut and pasted from other documents. (This should be the title on the documentation submitted to the sponsor.) Description maps to the Current and Pending report title.
5. **PI ID** – Enter the PI’s EMPLID or use “lookup” (EMPLIDs are 5 or 9 digits). This will display the name and auto-populate the **Location** page and create a pick list of **Key Words** associated with this person.
6. **Sponsor ID** – Select the sponsor using the lookup icon (OVPR sponsors are 4-digit codes.)
7. **Purpose** *(not the chartfield “Purpose”)* – This is equivalent to the Program chartfield in UD Financials. (This is NOT F&A rates.) Use the lookup icon to select one:
   - ACDLB Academic Library
   - ACDSP Academic Support
   - ADALL Admin. Allowance
   - AGEXT Ag Extension
   - FAFEL Fellowship
   - PUBLSV Public Service
   - INST1 Training
   - RSCH1 Federal Research
   - RSCH2 State Research
   - RSCH3 Industry Research
   - RSCH4 Foundations Research
   - RSCH5 Other Sponsored Research
   - RSCH6 Univ. Sponsored Research
   - RSEXP Ag Experimental Station
   - SPINS Sponsored Institutes
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8. **Proposal Type** – defaults automatically to “New.” For more information about the other Types see the supplemental information at the end of this training document. Click the “Details” icon to add more info for a Proposal Type.

9. **CFDA (new in 8.9)** – this is the Catalog of Domestic Federal Assistance number. Enter the number or use the lookup icon. (Required by OVPRGS if this is a federal grant.)

10. **Confidence % (new in 8.9)** – enter a number 1 to 100 representing your confidence level of this proposal being awarded (100 is highest confidence).
    
    o Note – a color-coded dot will rate the level as low, medium or high

11. **Due By** link - click this link to enter the date the Proposal is due to the Sponsor – if none enter 01/01/1951.

12. **Budget Express** link – This link does not do anything very useful, DO NOT USE. The information on this page does not map to any delivered forms, populate other fields or post to any ledgers

13. **Additional Information** link – Click the link. See the following page for a partial list of Types and their uses, select with the dropdown:
Additional Information Types:

- **Flow Through** – Identify the sponsor with the details icon. See: below for instructions about indicating the primary sponsor.
- **Cost Sharing** – Identify the mandatory cost share with the details icon (e.g. NSF 1% mandatory). See next page for instructions about mandatory cost share.
- **Solicitation** – Comments box: include reference URL to submission guidelines.
- **Other** – Comments box: include other information (e.g. “Continuation of Award # R0-NAG-12345)
- **Conflict of Interest - Do not use.** OVPR will be populating a field for the PI and Co-PI’s in the “Professional Data” page with this information.
- **Limited Submission** – see specific instructions for this situation in the section: “A-12 Limited Submission Proposals”

Additional Information - Flow Through

- **“Detail” icon** - When **Flow Through Type** is selected, the **Detail** icon appears that allows the primary sponsor to be entered.
  - Using the drop-down, select **Flow Through**
  - Click the “Details” icon.
  - Select the Primary Sponsor using the lookup icon.
  - Click the “OK” button
  - Click the **Return to Maintain Proposal** link
**Additional Information - Cost Sharing**

Cost share needs to be identified on the budget as previously described except where tuition is being offered as cost share.

Voluntary cost share needs to be articulated in the budget so as to reflect as a commitment to the sponsor.

Involuntary (or mandatory) cost share needs to be articulated as well on the budget (except for tuition) but also needs to be identified in the following way:

- Click the button if this is not the *first Additional Information Type* for this proposal
- **Type** - select *Cost Sharing* with the dropdown
- “**Detail**” icon – when *Cost Sharing* type is selected the **Detail** icon appears that allows additional cost share information to be recorded.

1. Click the Details icon.
2. Click the Required by Sponsor checkbox.
3. **Source** – enter the percentage required
4. Click the OK button

- Click the Return to Maintain Proposal link
14. **Add to My Proposals** button – This button is not usable until the proposal is saved. It is a very handy feature that adds this proposal to a list based on your logon name. You then access the list by the menu item called “My Proposal” in the navigation menu on the left. This can be used like a “tickle file.”

15. **Proposal Status** - Defaults automatically to **Draft**, accept the default. The only time “Draft” is used is for a new proposal or if an existing proposal is copied using “Copy Proposal” menu item. Other statuses are listed on the next page.

16. **FA Cost Requested** – Indicates that institution is requesting Facilities and Administrative (indirect) cost recovery. This must be checked regardless of the F&A rate, even if F&A is not being requested.

17. **Foreign Application/Component** – Selects the related box on Form PHS398, Checklist Form Page.

18. **NIH Modular Grant** – designates as NIH Modular.

19. **Template Proposal** – DO NOT USE

*NOTE: **Foreign Component**: Sponsor is a company/organization located in a country other than the United States and its territories, or controlled by a company/organization located in a country other than the United States and its territories, and that is subject to the laws of a country other than the United States.
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<td>UD has accepted all contract terms and condition</td>
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<td>Awarded</td>
<td><strong>System assigned</strong> status when the Generate Award Process runs.</td>
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<td>Awarded, Pending</td>
<td>Pre-awarded</td>
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<td>Declined by Sponsor</td>
<td>Proposal is returned without review from sponsor, usually due to dept. not following proposal guidelines.</td>
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<td>Discontinued</td>
<td>Stop work order received from sponsor or sponsor stops funding.</td>
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<td>Draft</td>
<td>Default Initial Status</td>
<td>Dept.</td>
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<td>Institution Approved</td>
<td><strong>System assigned</strong> after the UD web approvals are complete.</td>
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<td>Not Funded</td>
<td>Proposal was rejected by the agency. Equates to the legacy GMS status of rejected.</td>
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<td>Pending Approval</td>
<td><strong>System assigned</strong> when a proposal is submitted to a sponsor using the “Submit Proposal” menu pages</td>
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<td>Pending Funding</td>
<td>Notification from sponsor that award is forthcoming.</td>
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<td>Refused by Institution</td>
<td>Refused internally by UD prior to submission to a sponsor.</td>
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<td>Withdrawn</td>
<td>UD notifies sponsor that the proposal is withdrawn upon decision of the PI. NSF – program officer requires the existing proposal be withdrawn and be resubmitted.</td>
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20. **Start Date /End Date** – Enter the proposal’s begin and end dates. You may use the calendar icon or enter the date in mm/dd/yyyy format. *This is now the only place where the proposal dates are entered.*

21. **No. Periods** – enter the number of budget periods these dates represent

22. **Build Periods button** – click this button to have the **Budget Periods** created automatically *(NEW in 8.9 - this was moved from Budget Header page, which no longer exists)*

**Note:** Once the **Budget Periods** are created, **Start Date, End Date** and **No. Periods** are “greyed” out. If the **Start** or **End Dates** are incorrect, you must delete all the **Budget Periods** with the **buttons first and then these fields become updatable to make corrections.**

23. The **Project** page is next, click the **Projects** tab at the top of the page. The proposal cannot be saved until **Proposal, Projects, Location and Key Words** pages/links are completed.
## Supplemental Information – Proposal Types

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<td>No-Cost Extension</td>
<td>Extension of a grant's without additional funds</td>
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<td>Non-Competing Continuation</td>
<td>System assigns this type when a Non-Competing Continuation is generated from an existing Award</td>
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<td>Pre-Proposal</td>
<td>Statement in summary form of the intent of an applicant to request funds. Used to assess an applicant's eligibility and ability to compete with other grant applications</td>
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