

### Shared Services Center (SSC) Update

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### Agenda

- College/Unit Integration Status Update
- SSC Staffing
- Metrics FY23
- Challenges
- Initiatives, Process Efficiencies, etc.

### College/Unit Integration Status

### **Completed Integrations**

- SC Johnson College of Business: June 2021
- Statler Hotel: January 2022
- College of Arts & Sciences: June 2022
- CALS-Agritech, Geneva: February 2023
- CALS/CHE/BSPP, reporting lines only: February 2023; full-service integration: May 2, 2023
- College of Veterinary Medicine: March 2023
- Research & Innovation (excluding CLASSE): May 2023
- Student & Campus Life: August 2023
- College of Engineering/Bowers CIS/CU Tech: November 2023
- CLASSE: December 2023

### **Future Integration**

Lab of Ornithology: FY 2024

## SSC Staffing as of 2/14/2023

SSC	# of Full-time staff	# of Temps/Gigs	
Procure-to-Pay	56	8	Includes 1 full-time vacant Acct. Rep. position.
Travel & Training	18	5	Includes 1 full-time vacant Acct. Rep. position.
Financial Management & Reporting	8	2	
Payment Services (P2P)	6	2	
Receptionist	1		Serves the entire Division of Financial Services.
SSC Leadership	7		Includes 1 full-time and 2 half-time SSC liaisons. SSC liaisons support CAS, SC Johnson, Research, CVM, SCL, and CoE/CIS/CU Tech.
Total # of FTE's	90	17	

### FY23 Metrics

Functional Area	Created	Approved	Grand Total
Financial Management	23,824	54,706	78,530
Procure-to-Pay	78,019	641,711	719,730
Travel	13,819	46,783	60,602
GRAND TOTAL	115,662	743,200	858,862

#### **Exclusions:**

- Concur expense reports created on behalf of faculty and staff.
- E-docs initiated/approved by Payment Services.

### Challenges

- To successfully perform existing and future services and meet turnaround standards and customer needs, we face some challenges:
  - Transaction volume has increased and is higher than expected.
  - A gap in staffing numbers does not allow time to assess potential process improvements and efficiencies as quickly as expected.
  - Funding for positions is needed before implementing the costing allocation model.
- Ways we are addressing the staffing gap:
  - Actively searching to fill 2 Account Rep IV, band D positions on the P2P and Travel teams.
  - Continuing to offer overtime to interested staff.
  - Extending part-time temps through June 2024.
  - Offering part-time gig opportunities to campus.

### **Initiatives Completed**

- ✓ Transitioned college BSC staff to the SSC.
- ✓ Virtual Office Hours offered 5 days a week, via Zoom.
- ✓ Created 9 Team Dynamix forms to request services and 9 templated responses for consistent messaging to the requestor.
- ✓ Implemented a new PCard \$2,500 limit, in addition to the \$500 and \$1,500 limits.
- ✓ Added a Workday supervisor to the 20-day PCard warning notification and the suspension notification.
- ✓ Made several I Want Doc changes and improvements for the user's experience.
- ✓ Streamlined access request process.
- ✓ Made Concur system changes to reduce the need to return expense reports.

# In-Progress and Future Initiatives

	Identifying additional staffing needs to support the volume of transactions.		Working with Procurement to increase the number of travel-related contracts to reduce spend.	
	Issuing Service Level Agreements (SLA) to colleges/units.		Building a consistent process for outstanding travel advances and prepaid travel.	
	Creating standardization and efficiency projects within all functional areas.		Provide cardholders a secure access to information needed to validate identity with credit card issuer.	
	Creating standard SLA metric reports for colleges/units in comparison to SSC turnaround standards.		Automate cardholder (PCard and T&M card) certification process.	
	Building out website content and making revisions.		Automate cardholder reporting for administrative	
	Reviving Travel 107, Travel Policy training in conjunction with updating the Travel policy to new template.		managers to easily access cardholder lists for their units, when needed.	
	Collaborating with Global Operations to ensure compliance with Travel Registration requirements for international travel.		Modify pcard documentation form to ensure needed information is captured to reduce the requests received by cardholders for additional information.	
	challenges and potential solutions in the travel space.		Evaluate vendor registration tools to improve vendor/payee experience and improve automated registration and updates.	

### Ongoing Effort

- Commitment to customer service.
- Various training available in CU Learn and ad-hoc training provided, as requested.
  - For example, I Want Doc, Procurement Gateway, Concur Travel, Group Travel.
- Provide professional development growth and opportunities for SSC staff.
- Provide gig opportunities for Cornell employees who are interested in learning more about the SSC.

# Thank you!

