



# SHARED SERVICES UPDATE

CAMPUS CONVERSATION  
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# WHAT WE WILL DO TODAY

- / How Today Will Work
- / Background
- / WVU Shared Services Center
- / Current Activities and Next Steps

# HOW TODAY WILL WORK

- / Hear from Paula and Lisa
- / Open question-and-answer session

# WHAT IS SHARED SERVICES?

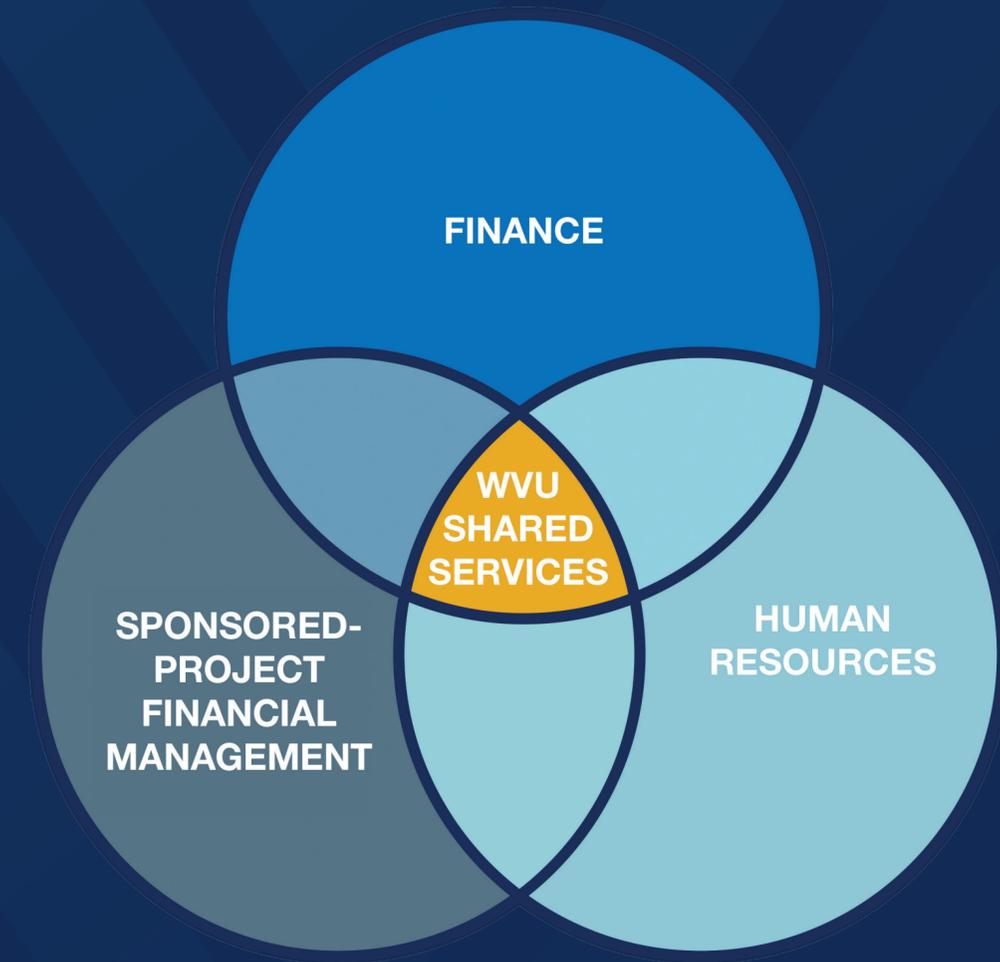
- / Shared services is a **service-delivery model** that involves the integration of certain operations that support multiple parts of the same organization.
- / A designated **single point of contact** (i.e., front door) typically is defined for clear communication between a Shared Services organization and its customers.
- / Shared Services organizations exist at many other **higher education institutions**; however, no two models are exactly the same.
- / Some Shared Services organizations in higher education focus on service delivery for a specific function (e.g., payroll or human resources), while others are designated for certain areas of an institution (e.g., a particular college, school or program).

# WVU SHARED SERVICES PROJECT

- / The WVU Shared Services project developed in spring 2016 out of the **Transformation Through Innovative Business Practices** initiative.
- / An assessment of work activities across WVU was completed in fall 2016, which reported:
  - / Service and support often are fragmented and not standardized.
  - / There was duplication of work between units.
  - / Transactional work was highly distributed among positions — even those positions with a more strategic focus.

# WVU SHARED SERVICES PROJECT

- / Since the assessment, a small team has worked with individuals across the institution to review policies and procedures and develop an implementation plan to **reduce duplication of work** and **improve customer service**.
- / The plan became the **WVU Shared Services Project**, which focused on the areas of **human resources**, **finance** and **sponsored-project financial management**.



# VISION AND GOALS

## VISION STATEMENT

*Redesign business support activities with the infusion of technology and data accuracy to empower our workforce, resulting in trusted and timely customer service.*

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- / Improve **customer service** to faculty and staff — allowing them to focus on teaching and research.
- / Create **efficiencies in systems and processes** and allow employees to become experts in specific areas instead of partially supporting various functions.
- / Eliminate **duplication of services**.
- / Provide tools — such as a digital location (knowledge base) and online community — for all guidance on activities related to **human resources, finance** and **sponsored-project financial management**.

# SERVICE-DELIVERY MODEL

/ WWU Shared Services will:

/ Offer faculty and staff a **clearly defined means** to **access support** for the areas of **human resources, finance** and **sponsored-project financial management**.

/ Enhance and extend support — faculty and staff will be able to access **live assistance Monday** through **Friday**, from **7 a.m.** to **7 p.m.** via **phone, email, online chat** and **walk-up support** (i.e., **Shared Services storefronts**).

/ Provide an **online community** available **24/7** to submit **service requests**, access **frequently asked questions** and share information through a **digital library** and **chat groups**.

# SERVICE-DELIVERY MODEL

- / The WVU Shared Services-Delivery Model comprises:
  - / **Centers of Expertise**, which will provide University-wide strategic, programmatic, planning and governance activities.
  - / **HR Partners, Strategic Business Partners** and **Grants Managers**, who will serve as resources embedded in units to provide advisement to planning unit administrators and principal investigators in the areas of **human resources, financial planning, forecasting, budgeting** and **post-award activities**.
  - / The **WVU Shared Services Center**, which will focus on **customer care** and **transactional support** in the areas of **human resources, finance** and **sponsored-project financial management**.
- / Each of these groups will partner with the others to form an overall **system of support**.

# WVU SHARED SERVICES CENTER

/ The areas of the WVU Shared Services-Delivery Model include:

/ **Customer Care.**

/ **Workforce Administration.**

/ **Financial Management.**

/ **Sponsored-Project Financial Management.**

/ **Operational Excellence.**

# CUSTOMER CARE



*Jameeta Lewis*  
Director of Customer Care

- / The **Customer Care** team will assist with employment and business-support activities, including:
  - / Answering general questions about **payroll, benefits, externally funded awards, employment, funding information, changes to employee accounts, I-9 employee processing**, etc.
  - / Assistance in **making purchases** or **reconciling PCard transactions**.
  - / Connecting functional experts with customer requests when a request or resolution is outside the scope of the **Customer Care** team.

# WORKFORCE ADMINISTRATION



*Sheila Seccurro*  
Director of  
Workforce Administration

- / The **Workforce Administration** team will manage transactional activities related to the full-employee lifecycle, including:
  - / Creating **requisitions** in **Taleo**, drafting **offer letters**, **pre-screening candidates** and overseeing **onboarding processes** for new employees.
  - / Administering **benefit-enrollment processes**.
  - / Keying information in **MAP**, such as **new positions set-up**, **assignment changes**, **supervisor changes** and **benefits deductions**.
  - / Maintaining **employee personnel files**.

# FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT



*Stenja McVicker*  
Director of  
Financial Management

- / The **Financial Management** team will support the review, approval and processing of various financial activities, including:
  - / **Reviewing** and **approving transactions** submitted through **Mountaineer Marketplace** and **MyExpenses**.
  - / **Reconciling funds** and **distributing financial reports**.
  - / **Reporting unrecorded assets/liabilities** on a quarterly basis.
  - / Overseeing **timecard submissions** and **working with supervisors** to ensure time is submitted and approved.

# SPONSORED-PROJECTS FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Not pictured:

*Vince Alvarez*

Director of

Sponsored-Projects

Financial Management

- / The **Sponsored-Projects Financial Management team** will manage post-award transactional financial activities, including:
  - / Reviewing and approving **purchases** on **externally funded awards**.
  - / Reconciling **externally funded awards** and distributing **monthly reports** to principal investigators.
  - / Processing **financial data related to grants** (e.g., billing and invoicing of sponsors), reconciling **award expenses** and initiating **cost transfers**.

# OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE



*Rich Cortellini*  
Director of  
Operational Excellence

- / The **Operational Excellence** team will provide accountability to our customers by:
  - / Monitoring **case submissions** and **resolutions**.
  - / Reporting **case statistics** to units.
  - / Reviewing **processes**, **procedures** and **knowledge base** articles on a consistent basis.

# WVU SHARED SERVICES CENTER: FACILITIES

- / The primary location of the **WVU Shared Services Center** will be the **third floor** of **One Waterfront Place**.
- / At this location, customers can receive assistance via **phone**, **email**, **online chat** and **walk-up support**.

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- / The **Shared Services Center storefronts** will be located on:
  - / The **ground floor** of the **Mountainlair**.
  - / The **first floor** of the **National Research Center for Coal and Energy building**.
  - / The **ground floor** of **Health Sciences South**.
- / Initially, faculty and staff located outside of our Morgantown campus will be able to contact the **Shared Services Center** via **phone**, **email** or **online chat**.
- / In late spring 2020, **WVU Institute of Technology** and **WVU Potomac State College** will operate **storefronts** out of existing locations that handle business-support functions.

# WVU SHARED SERVICES CENTER: TECHNOLOGY

- / The **WVU Shared Services Customer Care Community** is a **24/7 online resource** with **robust search capabilities**.
- / This system is built upon the **Salesforce** platform and will be used by faculty and staff to **submit** and **track requests** (and reference requests after they are resolved).
- / The **Customer Care Community** will be accessed via **portal.wvu.edu** or the **WVU Shared Services** website (**SharedServices.wvu.edu**).
- / For **technical support** of **WVU systems** and **services**, faculty and staff should continue to contact the **WVU ITS Service Desk** or the **HSC ITS Help Desk**.

# WVU SHARED SERVICES CENTER: TECHNOLOGY

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**FEATURED TOPICS**

Talent & Culture	Payroll	Sponsored Projects
Finance	FAQs	Other

Contact Customer Care

**Trending Articles**

- tell your doggo i said hi
- Basic Life
- Article Visibility-edit

Don't see what you're looking for?

Ask the Community Contact Customer Care Chat Offline

# CURRENT ACTIVITIES AND NEXT STEPS

/ WWU Shared Services currently is:

/ Working with our partner groups to define **step-by-step procedures** for activities supported by the **WWU Shared Services Center**.

/ Drafting and refining **knowledge base articles** and **testing workflows** in the **case-management system**.

/ Completing **training** activities for **internal staff**.

**Note:** Training sessions for the broader WWU community will begin in January and include customer training on using the **case-management system** and **knowledge base**.

/ Planning for **“go-live” activities** in early 2020.

**QUESTIONS?**

# CONTACT INFORMATION

- / Visit [sharedservices.wvu.edu](https://sharedservices.wvu.edu) for more information.
- / Contact the Shared Services team at [sharedservices@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:sharedservices@mail.wvu.edu) with any questions.
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