

F&A Return Policy

Encouraged by faculty input, we have explored ways to increase F&A return to grant active faculty to allow non-grant supported research expenses that would incentivize above modular NIH budgeting and more grant getting, i.e., obtaining multiple grants.

In the current policy, which was implemented in 2021, we return 2% for all amounts of F&A up to \$150,000 in a given FY (counting all the project awards attributed to a given PI – so multiple grants and projects add up). When the F&A attributed to a PI exceeds \$150,000 in a given FY (the approximate amount of F&A returned for a modular NIH R01 grant), 5% of the amount above \$150,000 will be returned to the PI.

The F&A eligible and its amount will be calculated as follows:

Consider a PI who returns a total of \$300K of F&A in a given FY, the PI would receive \$3,000 (2%) on the first \$150K and \$7,500 (5%) on the second \$150K for a total F&A return of \$10,500.

This policy is in effect until further notice.