# IPEDS Update

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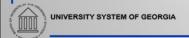
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#### Fall 2019 IPEDS Cycle

- Job well done!
- Coordinator lock date October 30th
- Tweaks
- Observations
- Prior Year



- Job well done! All institutions were locked by 3:59PM on October 16th
- Coordinator lock is Wednesday, October 30th
- One tweak was made to a Fall survey:
  - This Fall for 12MOS: Updated logic for Part B (Instructional Activity) to include INSTRUCTION\_LEVEL = '76' for 'PR' (Ph.D., Ed.D.). This Instruction Level has been reported in previous collections under Part A (Unduplicated Headcount); however, not for Part B in error.
  - Next Fall for CA: 2 institutions received DPT awards at level 17, not 18 (medical). The BI team found the issue and we hope to have this resolved for next Fall.
- Some observations after uploading the Fall surveys:
  - This Fall we provided the uploads and detail files about 2 weeks earlier than in past years. However, we had to wait for all institutions to complete their IC Header first.
  - For CA: Error #10502. Per the IPEDS Help Desk, this is a "glitch" in the Completions survey when data is submitted correctly on all of the Level's pages.

- For CA: The last round of Institutions consolidated were impacted. ABAC and GASOU had some duplicate headcounts. So, we had to quickly update the upload scripts and detail files for those 2 institutions to get the accurate headcounts.
- For CA: If in the past you could select "Print Data or Get PDF" to see and work with the USG uploaded data, you have to first complete the empty 'Completions' survey screens located in your Edit Report with zeros for the gender columns and answer the Distance Education question for each empty CIPCODE screen.
- A reminder for Prior Year submission, that after October 30th, necessary changes to the Fall 2019 IPEDS data can be updated next Fall. If that's the case for you, have your documentation together so to email us next Fall when Prior Year is open.

# Winter 2019 IPEDS Cycle

- Opens Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Student Financial Aid
  - Graduation Rates
  - 200% Graduation Rates
  - Admissions (self reports)
  - Outcome Measures
- No NCES required changes



- REVIEW SLIDE
- You all will receive a few emails from me, especially when your Winter uploads to IPEDS are complete and Winter detail files available on MOVEit.
- NSC data will be in the uploads for GR and OM.
- Will email you all when uploads and files are close to being ready.

# IPEDS Help Desk Quality Control Checks

- · Finance vs Student Financial Aid
- Academic Libraries
- Admissions

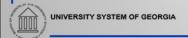


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This last year, there were as many as 9 or more institutions receiving an email from the IPEDS Help Desk regarding 1 or more quality checks.

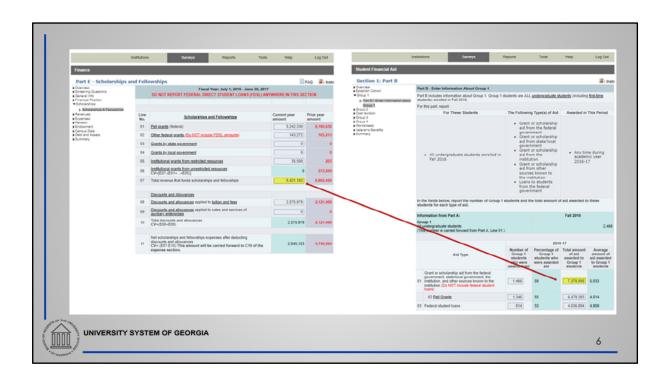
#### IPEDS Help Desk Quality Control Checks

IPEDS identifying Finance and Student Financial Aid surveys differences - (e.g. "exceeds") of your institution's total grant/scholarship aid awarded in the Student Financial Aid component when compared to the scholarship/fellowship revenue reported in the Finance component.



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6 of you received a quality control check message regarding a post-data collection review from IPEDS in June identifying differences between the Student Financial Aid survey and the Finance survey (e.g. Follow-up on the IPEDS 2018-19 Finance data collection).



They are comparing SFA Survey Part B, Line 01 to F Survey Part E, Line 07

As you are aware, the Student Financial Aid and Finance surveys may not always be in sync.

- They are reported at different times SFA in the Winter, FA in the Spring.
- Also, the SFA reports aid awarded while the FA survey reports amount paid.
- Most importantly, our institutions are following GASB accounting guidelines for the Finance Survey, where you are not treating HOPE/Zell scholarship just as you do for the Pell Grant.
- So we inquired with the IPEDS Help Desk asking for their methodology or algorithm because if we all follow the GASB accounting guidelines, there should be more than 6 institutions reviewed.
- To prove this, I provided a spreadsheet comparing these separate components for all institutions and pointed out that several other institutions should have been selected if they were consistent with there methodology.
- In addition, I kindly pointed out that requiring institutions to respond to this quality control check with a short turnaround in June is a huge inconvenience.

- Business offices are closing the books
- Most staff are enjoying their vacation

Lastly, I highlighted that their own Help Desk support team were already telling the 6 institutions that it's mostly like the same outcome as last year's.



Wed 8/7/2019 2:50 PM

#### IPEDS Email <ipedshelp@rti.org>

RE: IPEDS 2018-19 Quality Checks 13A0011

To Patrick Harris; IPEDS Email

1 You replied to this message on 8/8/2019 9:25 AM.

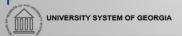
Hello Patrick,

Thanks for the email and for your patience with us. In response to your inquiry, the actual method to choose the cases is dependent on the amount of the difference and the percentage difference, using the Student Financial Aid value as the denominator. The actual comparisons do not follow a static set of values or rules, which is why not all of the schools were flagged consistently. We do apologize for the numerous contacts to your institutions. Based on admin review and response, this particular QC check has been eliminated for future distributions.

Hope that this helps! If we can assist further, please let us know.

### Housekeeping

- Manual changes to your IPEDS data
  - Document
  - Email me
- Fall 2018 Provisional Data Released
- Report requests (e.g. FTF)
- Gateway to Completion
- COA



- Manual changes to your IPEDS that was uploaded should be reported to us. Just document your change for your records and email me this information with your justification.
- NCES has released provisional data from the IPEDS Fall 2018 collection. Data are currently available through the IPEDS Use the Data Page.
- First-time Freshman files are expected to be delivered within 2 weeks. Please use
  for your self-reported IPEDS Admissions survey this Winter. This way the odds are
  less that you'll need to unlock the Admission survey in the Spring when you're
  working on reconciling with the Fall Enrollment survey.
- G2C Student, Crosswalk, Course, and Financial Aid files should be delivered within the next 30 to 45 days; The mini-Retention file in December or January.

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#### HRDM Data Validations - Timeline

October 31, 2019

Fall 2019 HR Data Validations Webinar.

November 1, 2019

Snapshot.

HR IPEDS Reports ready for review in Cognos

HR Digest Reports produced and shared (via listserv); bi-weekly updates.

December 11, 2019

HR IPEDS survey data available on NCES website.



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#### HRDM Data Validations - Timeline

Nov.1-Jan.15

Validation and correction; reminders to CRHO and HRDM POCs.

January 14, 2020

Deadline for all campus changes.

January 15, 2020

Snapshot frozen. Final Data.

IPEDS reports will be run and uploaded. MAY NOT BE CHANGED. HRDM reports run for legislature and other inquiries.



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#### 2019 Updates & HRDM Data Validation Resources

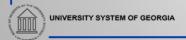
- · Updates on OneUSG Citizenship Status implementation
- Updates to the BCAT SOC Crosswalk table (New 2018 SOC codes)
- Updated HRDM DED, elements with contents updated:
  - 1) Academic Rank Date
  - 2) Degree Code
  - 3) New Race Ethnicity Code
  - 4) Race Description
  - 5) New Ethnicity Code
  - 6) New Ethnicity Description



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#### 2019 Updates & HRDM Data Validation Resources

- · Data Validation Resources on the Web:
  - Updated HRDM DED https://www.usg.edu/research/reporting\_resources
  - HRDM Data Validations and Guidance Documents https://www.usg.edu/research/reporting\_resources/hrdm\_data



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