The Sponsored Project Life Cycle for a Grant

Put simply, managing a grant is complex. CU's systems help the process run smoothly.

In 2019, the University of Colorado was awarded over $1.4 billion for sponsored research.

UIS works to support CU's technology needs to manage research and grants cycles from beginning to end.

The Grant Life Cycle illustrates how CU faculty receive external funding to pursue their research, steps taken as the grant is used, and how CU is reimbursed for expenses.

CU must comply with sponsor and government regulations about how external funds may be used. Contracts and Grants offices on each campus ensure CU adheres to these rules.

To assist them, the UIS Research and Grants teams work with campus partners to implement, support and enhance systems used to manage this life cycle.

Compliance tasks
Throughout the grants life cycle, ongoing collaboration between compliance and grants teams ensures CU adheres to required regulations.

GRANTS LIFE CYCLE

Identify funding opportunities
FY20: 925 federal applications

Planning and proposal development
FY20: 8,884 new proposals created

Proposal submission
FY20: 1,340 proposals sent via InfoEd

Award acceptance

Award setup
FY20: 2,293 new award records created

Perform research
FY20: $1 billion in expenses tracked

Bill sponsors and recieve reimbursement
FY20: 21,000 invoices sent to sponsors

Award closeout

Institutional Review Boards (IRB) compliance (if applicable)

- Propose Human Subject research (13,059 in FY20)
- Review and approve protocol
- Manage protocol and annual review
- Close

Conflict Of Interest (COI) compliance

- Self-disclose conflict (10,149 in FY20)
- Reviews (1,988 in FY20)
- Manage conflicts
- Close