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Introduction To m-Fin Blog [1]

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m-Fin is a set of CU management financial reports created in CU's Cognos software. I use m-Fin Blog to communicate about the m-Fin reports, covering topics such as:

- revisions to the m-Fin reports
- new reports under development
- useful Cognos features that are not readily apparent
- the thinking behind m-Fin design decisions
- ideas for new features.

A single university-wide reporting solution

One of the top priorities of the Office of University Controller (OUC) is to improve the usability and efficiency of the Cognos Reporting System in its delivery of financial information, and to thereby create a single university-wide reporting solution. m-Fin (pronounced as the letter M and the fin of a fish) stands for "management financial" and identifies Cognos content we have developed for this purpose.

CU-Data QA

An important function of m-Fin Blog is to announce testing. CU-Data QA [3] is the Quality Assurance instance of CU's Cognos software. This is where we test and make the go/no-go decision for migration to CU-Data production. If you have access to the production Finance folder you also have access to the QA Finance folder and can test drive new Cognos reports there.

By monitoring this blog and participating in testing, you'll know about changes before they happen in production.

Tips and tricks

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