

# SALARY AND BENEFIT ACCOUNTING REDISTRIBUTION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

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PeopleSoft HCM 9.2 – November 2016 PeopleTools 8.55.16 – November 2017

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### **OVERVIEW**

Background, Our requirements, Direct Retro limitations and supporting business procedures

### BACKGROUND

- During the HCM 9.2 upgrade, we went from a custom General Ledger Interface process to using PeopleSoft HCM Commitment Accounting
- Required a new solution to replace the custom redistribution process from version 9.0
- Direct Retro Distribution processing was considered, but due to limitations, a custom process was preferred

### OUR REQUIREMENTS

Distributed process that would provide faculties and departments with the ability to process redistributions by amount or percentage for individual employees for one or more pay periods, one or more time in a fiscal year

Structured process with built in rules and edits to ensure:

- Reason for redistribution was provided
- Chartfields used in the process are active both the original and new transaction
- Accounting date is set appropriately for processing
- Process is used to clear suspense entries or to transfer current fiscal year salary and benefit expenses when the original entry was expensed to an incorrect combination code

## DIRECT RETRO PROCESSING LIMITATIONS

Review of PeopleSoft delivered Direct Retro processing revealed that:

- The functionality was not user friendly
- Does not allow redistribution of Time and Labor entries
- Tended to be problematic when a redistribution of earnings and deductions was required more than once

### **BUSINESS PROCEDURES**

### Business Procedures were developed in support of the process to outline:

- When to use SBA faculties and departments should attempt to correct transactions prior to payroll confirmation and GL distribution
- Risks to the University (e.g. inaccurate reporting, eligibility for distribution)
- Guidance to the Senior Financial Officer to ensure that faculties and departments are monitoring the volume, timeliness and reasons for changes
- Roles and Responsibilities to ensure that faculties and departments understand who is responsible to ensure that processing is compliant with university policies and procedures

Access to process Salary and Benefits Adjustments requires Senior Financials Officer approval



### **OUR SOLUTION**

An overview of the pages used to enter the adjustment transactions

### **OUR SOLUTION**

Developed a custom front end that utilizes delivered Retro Distribution records and processes to complete the transaction

New process is called Employee Salary and Benefit Adjustment\* (SBA)

#### Search record:

- Default search results displays only pay periods where the GL Interface has been run within the 12 months prior to the current processing period
- Parameters can be used to select results back to November 2016 (upgrade implementation)

# OUR SOLUTION

#### Employee Sal/Ben Adjustment\* page

- Displays transactions for the pay period(s) selected
- Provides a prompt to select a reason and a comments section
- Criteria selections shows the existing combination code, allows the user to select all transactions, enter a percentage, select a new combination code and apply the values to all transactions for entry
- Allows for more than one combination code to be selected
- Transaction entry allows the user to change values at the transaction level

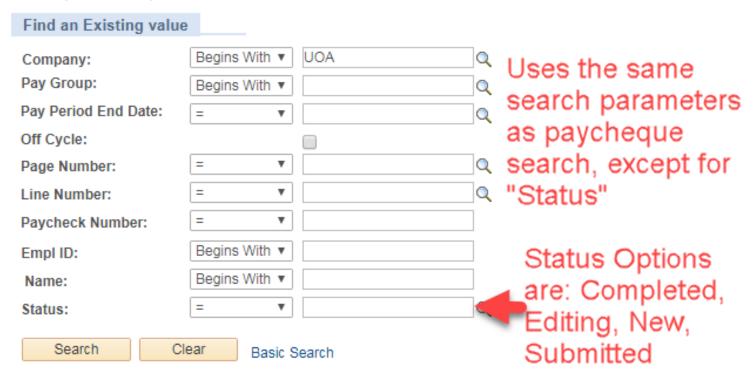
#### Review & Submit\* page

- Displays only data selected and saved on the adjustment page
- Calculates new transactions amounts and ensure that the amount does not equal more or less than the reversal and the original amount
- Allows the user to submit the transaction for the accounting date shown on the top of the page

### SBA SEARCH

#### Employee Salary and Benefits Adjustment\*

Enter any information you have and click Search. Leave fields blank for a list of all values.

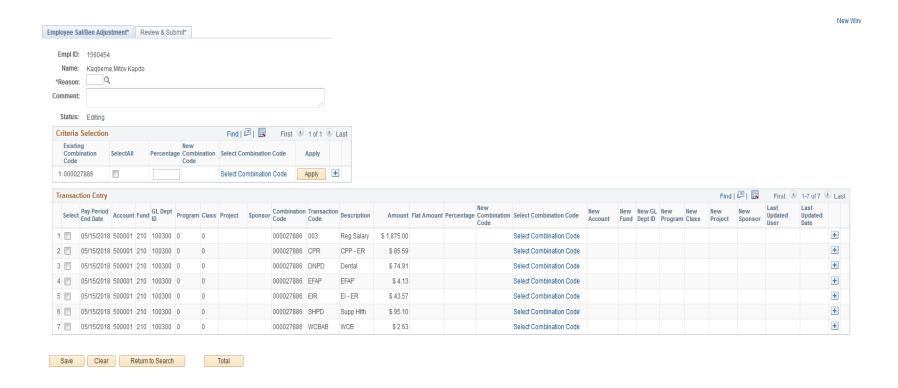


## SEARCH RESULTS

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1		UOA	09/15/2018	SM2	N	7405 <b>1</b> 15	1560454	Kaqbeme, Mitov Kapdo	0	100300	ALES AFNS General	New
2		UOA	08/31/2018	SM2	N	7394312	1560454	Kaqbeme, Mitov Kapdo	0	100300	ALES AFNS General	New
3		UOA	08/15/2018	SM2	N	7387716	1560454	Kaqbeme, Mitov Kapdo	0	100300	ALES AFNS General	New
4		UOA	07/31/2018	SM2	N	7376919	1560454	Kaqbeme, Mitov Kapdo	0	100300	ALES AFNS General	New
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6		UOA	06/30/2018	SM2	N	7359486	1560454	Kaqbeme, Mitov Kapdo	7.	100300	ALES AFNS General	New
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9	•	UOA	05/15/2018	SM2	N	7335272	1560454	Kaqbeme, Mitov Kapdo	0	100300	ALES AFNS General	New
10		UOA	04/30/2018	SM2	N	7323620	1560454	Kaqbeme,Mitov Kapdo	0	100300	ALES AFNS General	Completed

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### EMPLOYEE SAL/BEN ADJUSTMENT PAGE



### SBA ADJUSTMENT PAGE

The reason for the transaction must be selected from the delivered list of reasons and additional supporting comments can be added.

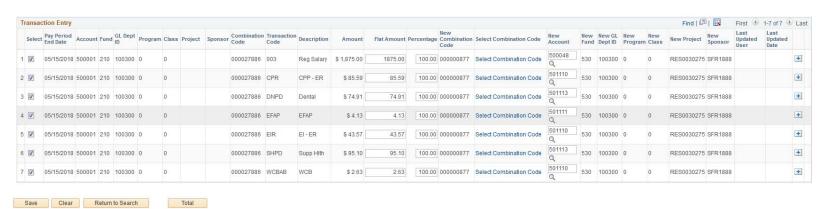
Criteria selection will populate values in the transaction entry section.



### TRANSACTION ENTRY PAGE

The transactions are selected and criteria defaults from the criteria selection section.

Note: the account chartfield is only open for editing when the reason is "Clear Suspense".



### TRANSACTION ENTRY

The transaction entry values are separated between old and new values. The first half of the page shows the old values.

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	Select	Pay Period End Date	Account	Fund	GL Dept ID	Program	Class	Project	Sponsor	Combination Code	Transaction Code	Description	Amount
1	•	05/15/2018	500001	210	100300	0	0			000027886	003	Reg Salary	\$ 1,875.00
2	•	05/15/2018	500001	210	100300	0	0			000027886	CPR	CPP - ER	\$ 85.59
3	•	05/15/2018	500001	210	100300	0	0			000027886	DNPD	Dental	\$ 74.91
4	•	05/15/2018	500001	210	100300	0	0			000027886	EFAP	EFAP	\$ 4.13
5	•	05/15/2018	500001	210	100300	0	0			000027886	EIR	EI - ER	\$ 43.57
6	•	05/15/2018	500001	210	100300	0	0			000027886	SHPD	Supp Hith	\$ 95.10
7	•	05/15/2018	500001	210	100300	0	0			000027886	WCBAB	WCB	\$ 2.63

Save Clear Return to Search Total Old Amount: \$ 2,180.93

New Amount: \$ 2,180.93

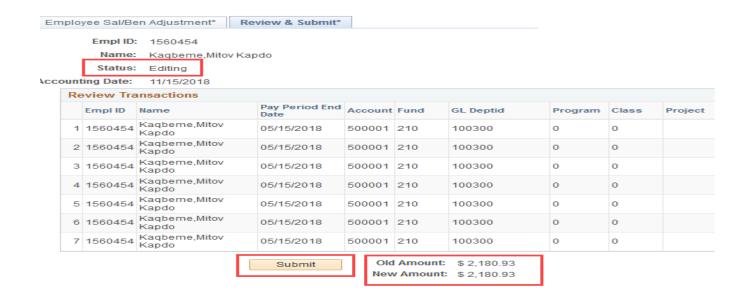
### TRANSACTION ENTRY

The second half of the page shows the new values. The new combination code is defaulted to the new section of the transaction entry.

	Last Updated Date	Last Updated User	New Sponsor	New Project	New Class	New Program	New GL Dept ID	New Fund	unt	New Acco	Select Combination Code	New Combination Code	Percentage	Flat Amount
+	11/04/18 4:09:39PM	LMCCRIMM	SFR1888	RES0030275	0	0	100300	530	Q	500048	Select Combination Code	000000877	100.00	1875.00
+	11/04/18 4:09:39PM	LMCCRIMM	SFR1888	RES0030275	0	0	100300	530	Q	501110	Select Combination Code	000000877	100.00	85.59
+	11/04/18 4:09:39PM	LMCCRIMM	SFR1888	RES0030275	0	0	100300	530	Q	501113	Select Combination Code	000000877	100.00	74.91
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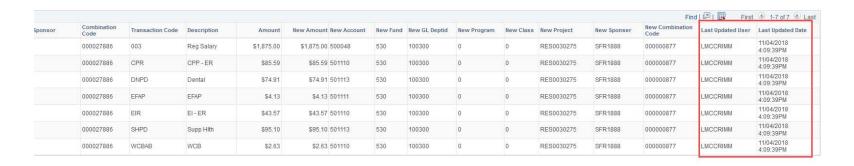
#### REVIEW & SUBMIT\*

Once the transaction is saved, the system calculates the old amount and new amount. These values must match. The user can then use the "Review & Submit\*" tab to complete a final review and submit the transaction. The status of the transaction will be "Editing" until it is submitted.



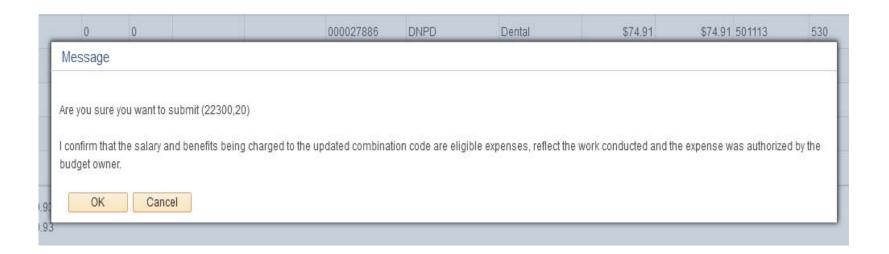
### **REVIEW & SUBMIT\***

The Last Updated User and the Last Updated Date are populated on the transaction to identify who created the transaction and when it was created.



### **REVIEW & SUBMIT\***

The user is prompted to ensure that they wish to submit the transaction and to confirm that the transactions are eligible expenses and are authorized by the budget owner.



# EDITS/ERRORS

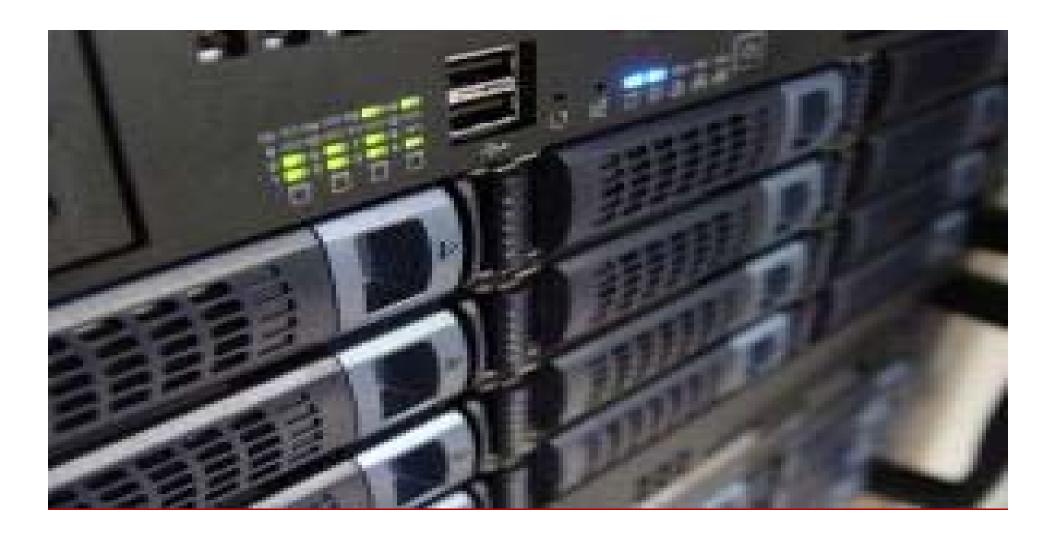
Pay periods selected for entry must have the same SBA reason and/or status

Pay periods in the prior fiscal year are available for view only

Inactive chartfields for both the old distribution and the new distribution

All required fields are entered

New amount must equal the old amount



### SYSTEM PROCESSING

Overview of the processes used to finalize the redistribution

### **PROCESSING**

Once the SBA has been submitted, it is not available for changes until it has been processed

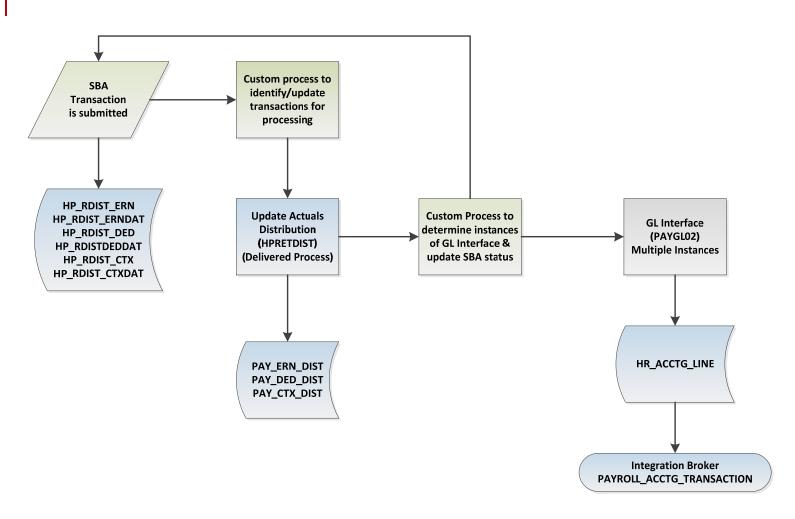
Delivered Update Actuals Distribution (HPRETDIST) process is run to update Actuals Distribution

GL Interface (PAYGL02) is run

#### Modifications made:

- Custom process to update the processing date of transactions that were not processed during a previous run (e.g. submitted on the weekend or after the nightly batch runs) to allow them to be processed in the following day's batch
- Custom process to identify how many times GL Interface will need to run and the run control parameters that need to be created and to set the status of the SBA transaction to completed
- GL Interface (PAYGL02) was modified to populate the journal template for normal payroll transactions and adjustment transactions so that adjustment transactions are distinguished from normal journal transactions

### PROCESS FLOW CHART





### REPORTING

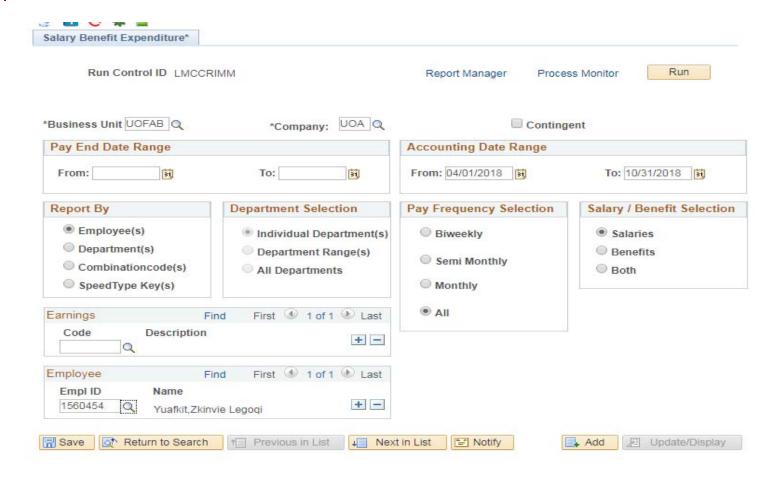
# SALARY & BENEFITS EXPENDITURE REPORT

Custom Salary & Benefits Expenditure Report allows users to report on the distribution of salary and benefits in a variety of ways:

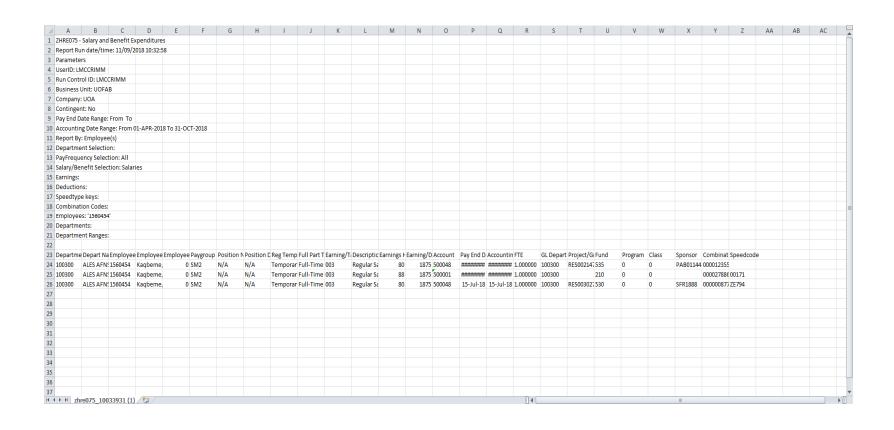
- Pay end date ranges or accounting date ranges
- Specific employees, departments (ranges or all departments) or combination codes
- Pay frequency (monthly, semi-monthly or all)
- Salaries, Benefits or both
- Specific earnings or deductions

This report allows users to validate the changes they've made in HCM and compare those changes with reports from PeopleSoft Financials

#### REPORT PARAMETERS



### REPORT OUTPUT





### SUMMARY

Lessons learned and achievements

# LESSONS LEARNED

Don't assume that delivered processes won't have unexpected flaws

Spend more time monitoring or validating the results of transactions (within HCM and between HCM and Financials) before it becomes critical

Build the foundation and then add the house

# ACHIEVEMENTS

#### Salary and Benefit Adjustments processed:

- **•** 2017 = 7,585
- **•** 2018 = 26,966
- 2019 (to October 31) = 8,126

Reduction in reported incidents in 2018

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