

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Vice Presidents, Deans, Directors and Department Chairs //

FROM:

Susan Norton, Vice President of Human Resources

DATE:

May 23, 2019

SUBJECT: OneUSG Connect Implementation Planning & Key Dates - Reminder

As a reminder, on June 16, 2019, Augusta University is scheduled to go live on the OneUSG Connect shared services Human Capital Management (HCM) system to manage our human resources activities, benefits and compensation. As we have previously shared, this requires that we manage some very unusual circumstances in regard to the OneUSG Connect implementation and when the Financial and HR databases move from Kansas City to the USG IT location in Athens in May and June, respectively.

The Financial system will go offline on May 24 until May 30.

This will impact HR's ability to hire therefore candidates will need to meet earlier dates for pre-employment processing in order to begin work on June 1 or 3.

The HR system will go offline on June 6 at 5 p.m. and will be available for full service on the morning of June 17. Employees working on Sunday, June 16 will have the ability to clock in and out using the new system.

- The HR system will again go offline on June 21 at 6 p.m. and return to service on the morning of June 24 at 7 a.m.
 - o This will also impact HR's ability to hire anyone with a start date after June 3 until June 17.

To assist you in planning for your HR-related needs in advance, we previously provided several key dates to help you prepare for these down times and we greatly appreciate everyone's adherence to the various deadlines.

The most current information can be found at: https://www.augusta.edu/oneusg/

This memorandum serves as reminder of the remaining key dates related to the HCM and Financials projects as listed below. Please read this document carefully, mark your calendar as appropriate, and share with all faculty and staff within your department(s) who have responsibility for the activities listed below. We thank you for your continued support. We are almost there!



1. **ePAR Transactions**

| DUE DATE | ACTIVITY |
|-----------------|---|
| May 28, 2019 | Non-Exempt ePAR deadline for the pay period of May 19 through June 1. |
| June 03, 2019 | Non-Exempt ePAR deadline for the pay period of June 2 through June 15. |
| June 03, 2019 | Non-Exempt ePAR deadline for the pay period of June 16 through June 29. |
| June 03, 2019 | Exempt ePAR deadline for the pay period of June 1 through June 30. |

If you have questions regarding the above, please contact Morgan Chavous, Director, Benefits, Data Management & Faculty Support Services at (706) 721-0960 or mchavous@augusta.edu.

Key Dates for New Job Openings

Job Openings (Faculty)

| DUE DATE | ACTIVITY |
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Last day for applicants to apply for job openings until after go-live. June 06, 2019 *For any position where all approvals have not been secured, the position will not be posted until after go-live.

Job Openings (Staff Exempt)

| DUE DATE | ACTIVITY |
|-------------------------|--|
| May 21, 2019 | Last day for all approvals to be obtained for pending job openings |
| | Last day for Job Openings to be posted to ensure appropriate recruitment |
| | prior to OneUSG Connect Go-Live.* |
| June 06, 2019 | Last day for applicants to apply for job openings until after go-live. |
| *For any position where | all approvals have not been secured, the position will not be posted until after go live |

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Job Openings (Staff Non-Exempt)

| DUE DATE | ACTIVITY |
|------------------------|---|
| May 23 2019 | Last day for departments to enter new job openings into |
| | PeopleSoft for Non-Exempt level positions |
| May 28, 2019 | Last day for all approvals to be obtained for pending job openings |
| May 30, 2019 | Last day for Job Openings to be posted to ensure appropriate recruitment |
| | prior to OneUSG Connect Go-Live. |
| June 06, 2019 | Last day for applicants to apply for job openings until after go-live. |
| *For any position wher | e all approvals have not been secured, the position will not be posted until after go-live. |



3. Key Dates for Job Offers / Hiring

STAFF POSITIONS - Standard Start Dates for new hires and transfers in the month of June will remain the same. However, the dates by which new hire and transfer processing must be completed will require earlier than normal timelines to support the Financials "lift and shift" and the OneUSG Connect Go-Live. The Chart below outlines the standard start dates and the requirements that must be met for these start dates to be applied. Any requirements not met will result in the start date being changed to the next available date. As of the date of this notice, there are 377 active staff job openings.

| Standard Start Date | Type of Action/Activity | Deadline for Action |
|--|---|--|
| | Last day for Departments to Submit Requests for Offers to HR | May 10, 2019* |
| | Last day for HR to extend offers to candidates | May 13, 2019 |
| | Last day for candidates to accept job offers | May 15, 2019 |
| May 28 to June 1, 2019 - Exempt Staff Hires/Transfers May 28 to June 3, 2019 - Non- Exempt Staff Hires/ Transfers | Last day for all offer contingencies to be met by candidate (i.e. clear background check, education/credential verification, satisfactory drug screen and physical, if applicable) | May 21, 2019 * Candidates who have not successfully completed all contingencies as of May 21 will automatically be scheduled for a start date of June 17. As of May 22, there are only 7 candidates that will require a delayed start date. This is excellent given the number of offers |
| | Last day for HR to place candidate in "Hire" (Manage Hires list) status | extended; we appreciate everyone's effort to make this happen. May 22, 2019 |
| | Last day for Departments to Submit Requests for Offers to HR | June 1, 2019 |
| June 17, 2019 - | Last day for HR to extend offers to candidates | June 5, 2019 |
| Exempt & Non- | Last day for candidates to accept job offers | June 7, 2019 |
| Exempt Staff Hires/ Transfers | Last day for all offer contingencies to be met by candidate (i.e. clear background check, education/ credential verification, satisfactory drug screen and physical, if applicable) | June 13, 2019 |
| | Last day for HR to place candidate in "Hire" (Manage Hires list) status | June 16, 2019 |
| July 1, 2019 - Exempt & Non- | Last day for Departments to Submit Requests for Offers to HR | June 14, 2019 |
| Exempt Staff | Last day for HR to extend offers to candidates | June 18, 2019 |
| Hires/ Transfers | Last day for candidates to accept job offers | June 20, 2019 |
| | Last day for all offer contingencies to be met by candidate (i.e. clear background check, education/credential verification, satisfactory drug screen and physical, if applicable) | June 27, 2019 |
| | Last day for HR to place candidate in "Hire" (Manage Hires list) status | June 28, 2019 |



Key Dates for Job Offers / Hiring (continued)

FACULTY - Standard Start Dates for new Faculty hires and transfers in the **month of June** will remain the same. However, the dates by which new hire and transfer processing must be completed will require earlier than normal timelines to support the Financials "lift and shift" and the OneUSG Connect Go-Live. The Chart below outlines the standard start dates and the requirements that must be met for these start dates to be applied. **Any requirements not met will result in the start date being changed to the next available date.** As of the date of this notice, there are 225 active faculty job openings. This process will have no impact on August 1, 2019 academic faculty; we will continue the hiring process and timeline used in prior years.

| Standard Start Date | Type of Action/Activity | Deadline for Action |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| | Last day for Departments to submit recruitment packets to HR for new faculty | May 1, 2019 for summer faculty who begin work May 20 for first summer session (see section 5. on Summer Contracts below) May 10, 2019 for all other June 1 faculty new hires |
| June 1, 2019 - Faculty Hires | Last day for all offer contingencies to be met by candidate (i.e. clear background check, education/ credential verification, satisfactory drug screen and physical, if applicable) | May 21, 2019 Candidates who have not successfully completed all contingencies as of May 21 will automatically be scheduled for a start date of June 17. As of May 22, there are NO faculty candidates that will require a delay in their start date. This is great news and we appreciate everyone's effort to make this happen. |
| | Last day for HR to place candidate in "Hire" (Manage Hires list) status | May 22, 2019 |
| June 17, 2019 - Faculty | Last day for departments to submit recruitment packets to HR for new employees Last day for all offer contingencies to be met by candidate (i.e. clear background check, education/ credential verification, satisfactory | June 3, 2019 June 12, 2019 |
| Hires | drug screen and physical, if applicable) Last day for HR to place candidate in "Hire" (Manage Hires list) status | June 21, 2019 *Candidate would have successfully completed all contingencies and had their HR processing appointment prior to or on June 17, 2019. Data entry will be delayed because of payroll processing. |
| July 1, 2019 – Faculty Hires | Last day for departments to submit recruitment packets to HR for new employees | June 14, 2019 |
| | Last day for all offer contingencies to be met by candidate (i.e. clear background check, education/ credential verification, satisfactory drug screen and physical, if applicable) | June 24, 2019 |
| | Last day for HR to place candidate in "Hire" (Manage Hires list) status | June 26, 2019 |



If you have questions regarding the above, please contact Dena Pickett, Director, Talent Acquisition & Management (dpickett@augusta.edu) at (706) 721-7905, for staff positions and Heather Kennedy, Manager, Faculty Support Services (hekennedy@augusta.edu) for faculty positions at (706) 721-8060.

Key Dates for Job Offers / Hiring (continued)

Other Hiring – Temporaries, Summer Student Positions - Standard Start Dates for new hires and transfers in the month of June will remain the same. However, the dates by which new hire processing and transfer processing must be completed will require earlier than normal timelines to support the Financials "lift and shift" and the OneUSG Connect Go-Live. The Chart below outlines the standard start dates, along with the requirements that must be met for these start dates to be applied. Any requirements not met will result in the start date being changed to the next available date.

| Standard Start Date | Type of Action/Activity | Deadline for Action |
|---|---|--|
| May 28 to June 1, 2019 - Exempt Staff | Last day for Departments to Submit Background form to HR | May 3, 2019 |
| | Last day for Departments to Submit Template Based Hire ePAR | May 10, 2019* |
| Hires/Transfers | Last day for all offer contingencies to be met by candidate (i.e. clear background check, education/ | May 21, 2019 * Candidates who have not |
| May 28 to June 3, 2019 - Non- | credential verification, satisfactory drug screen and physical, if applicable) | successfully <u>completed all</u> <u>contingencies</u> as of May 21 will |
| Exempt Staff Hires/ Transfers | | automatically be scheduled for a start date of June 17. |
| | Last day for HR to process new hire | May 22, 2019 |
| June 17, 2019 - | Last day for Departments to Submit Background form to HR | May 15, 2019 |
| Exempt & Non- Exempt Staff | Last day for Departments to Submit Template Based Hire ePAR | June 19, 2019 |
| Hires/ Transfers | Last day for all offer contingencies to be met by candidate (i.e. clear background check, education/ credential verification, satisfactory drug screen and physical, if applicable) | June 14, 2019 |
| | Last day for HR to process new hire | June 20, 2019 |

Other important information...

The timelines outlined above allow for the likelihood that candidates will be able to meet all preemployment requirements in time to begin employment as scheduled on the dates listed. <u>Of note:</u> The University System of Georgia is now using a new state required background check vendor, Accurate. Due to this transition, the background check process is taking between 5-10 business days, so departments are asked to plan for this.



Please continue to submit ePARs, Job Openings, Job Offer requests as outlined above and after the June 17, 2019 blackout dates.

The bi-weekly pay period June 16, 2019 through June 29, 2019 will be paid on July 05, 2019. Personnel actions for this bi-weekly pay period are due to Human Resources no later than June 3, 2019. Dates will be strictly enforced. Ten days of pay, for Monday June 17 through Friday June 28, 2019 will be accrued in FY19 and will be posted in May using the March 29, 2019 non-exempt pay date, payrun ID 3319.

As a reminder, the "Blackout Dates" resulting from the OneUSG Implementation are as follows:

PeopleSoft Financials: May 24 – May 30

PeopleSoft HR: June 7 – June 16 PeopleSoft HR: June 21 – June 24

If you have questions regarding the above, please contact Carolyn Burns, Senior Director, Talent Acquisition & Development, at 721-7224 or caburns@augusta.edu, Becky Williams, Assistant VP, University HR Services at 721-4362 or rewilliams@augusta.edu or Susan Norton, Vice President, Human Resources at 721-3777 or snorton@augusta.edu.

Remember, plan ahead and ask questions to ensure complete understanding of the unusual circumstances which will have an impact on our normal business process flow.

Thank you for your support and adherence to the critical deadlines noted above.