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# Purpose of EPAF Guide

The purpose of this guide is to provide instructions for processing actions related to **existing** student positions using an Electronic PAF (EPAF) process.

**Please Note:** Opening a **new** student position and assigning a student to the position requires processing via the standard application process in PeopleAdmin. All new student employees must complete the onboarding process before being hired into their first position and cleared to begin working. Department hiring managers are responsible for ensuring that student employees are active in positions in the banner system before they begin working. Once hired into their first roles, student employees remain active in the system as student employees until they graduate.

# What is an EPAF?

EPAF stands for "Electronic Personnel Action Form" and replaces the manual entry and approval process for certain employment processes, including:

- Reactivation of a current student employee in a previous student position they held after a gap in employment .
- Processing a transfer of an active Student Employee out of one Student Position to a New/Different Student Position in the same division/department.
- Processing a change to a student employee in an existing student position in the same division/department.
- Adding a secondary position within the same department for an active student.
- Labor distribution changes for a current, active student position.
- Ending a student current job record. Note: This does not terminate the student employee, only the job you are ending.

# When is an EPAF used?

- Processing a Reactivation of a current student employee in a previous student position they held after a gap in employment.
  - Definition: This personnel action involves placing a student back into a position they previously held after a gap in employment in that role. This assumes the student has already completed the onboarding process and remains eligible for student employment (i.e., they have not graduated). This type of action does not require a new job posting in PeopleAdmin and is typically used when a student returns to the same role after an academic break or pause in a position they previously held.
  - Example: Example: A student employee previously worked as an IT Technician as a freshman and asked the student hiring manager if they could come back as a Junior.
  - Approval EPAF Category: "STUREA"
- Processing a transfer of an active student employee out of one student position to a New/Different Student Position in the same division/department
  - Definition: This personnel action involves ending a student employee's current position and assigning them to a new/different student position within the same division or college. While the student remains employed under the same broader area, they are moving to a different position number, often under a different org or index information.

- Example: An active student employee working as a Research Assistant under one grant assigned to a position number transitions to a Lab Coordinator role funded by a different grant assigned to another position number within the same college.
- Approval EPAF Category: "STUTRA"

# Processing a change to a student employee in an existing student position in the Same Division/Department

- Definition: This personnel action involves making changes to the current position of an existing student employee within the same student position number. While the position number remains unchanged, the student may be taking on a higher or lower-level role within the same position. This could impact salary and title.
- Example: A student employee currently serving as an entry-level Classroom Support Technician I is promoted to an intermediate-level Classroom Support Technician II within the same position number, reflecting greater responsibilities, a higher hourly rate and a change in job title.
- Approval EPAF Category: "STUEJC"

**Please Note**: Increase in wage- When using this EPAF to process a rate change with/without a title change, (i.e formerly SSUF- Promotion) please be sure to follow the rate and title conventions in the <u>Student Wage Scale</u>. For situations not covered by the wage scale, please reach out to <u>Cindy Aduyor</u> for assistance.

#### • Processing the addition of a Secondary Position

- Definition: This personnel action is used when an active student employee who has already completed onboarding is taking on an additional student position within the same division or college that may or may not come with a different salary, title, and responsibilities. The student will hold both positions concurrently, and the original position remains active. Each job has its own position number because they have distinct roles. While this type of change is sometimes initiated through PeopleAdmin based on an application for an existing role, it can also be processed directly via EPAF when an active student employee takes on an additional role within the same division or college.
- Example: An active student employee currently working as an Office Assistant is also being hired as a Lab Technician within CLAS. Both roles are distinct, with different responsibilities, salaries and will remain active at the same time.
- Approval Category "STUSEC"

Pease Note: The Student Employment Program allows currently enrolled students, excluding University faculty and staff employees, to work up to 20 hours per week during the Fall and Spring semesters and 35 hours per week during the Summer semester and academic breaks to earn funds to help pay for their educational expenses. Departments with 40-hour workweeks may allow students to work up to 40 hours during breaks and the Summer semester. If a student holds multiple jobs on campus, the hours restriction applies across all University student employment. That is, no student may work more than a total of 20 hours per week during academic periods cumulative between all University student jobs.

#### Processing a change to the Labor Distribution of a current, active student position

- Definition: This personnel action involves changing the labor distribution for an existing, active student position. This adjustment is necessary when the funding source for the student position changes during the student's employment. The labor distribution must be updated to reflect the appropriate budget codes. This is not the same as a department change.
- Example: The student position needs to be funded from a different source while the Student Employee is in the position, and the labor distribution needs to reflect the change in budget codes. A new index needs to be assigned due to a grant renewal or shift in departmental funding.
- Approval Category "STULBD".

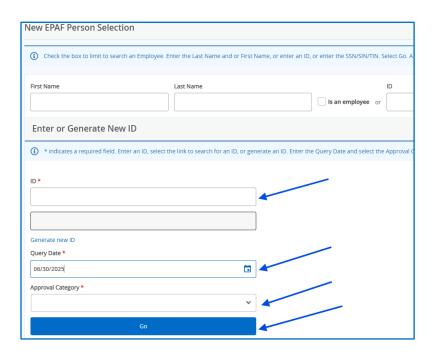
# • Ending a Student Job Record

- Definition: This personnel action is used when a student is ending a specific student position. This
  does not affect other active jobs. It may or may not impact student employment status.
- Example: A student is graduating, or a student position ends in the summer, or the student is no longer working in their positions.
- Approval Category "STUEND".

**Please Note**: This EPAF is used to **end a student's job record only**. To terminate a student employee i.e. change their employment status from **ACTIVE** to **TERMINATED in PEAMPL**, you can email <u>Cindy Aduyor</u> for assistance. Additionally, HRIS performs a mass data cleanup to terminate graduating student employees during the fall.

# How to access the EPAF menu

- Go to myNOVA.villanova.edu
- Enter "EPAF"
- Click the "EPAF" card under "Tasks" and you will be prompted to login
- Click the "Electronic Personnel Action Menu" under "My Activities"
- Click "New EPAF"
- Enter the Students Banner ID and hit the "Tab" key on your keyboard to populate the name of the student
  - If you do not have the Student's Banner ID, search by name, check the box "Is an employee" and hit "Search"
- Enter the "Query Date" which is considered the effective date of the change which is typically but not always
  - Monday start date.
  - o In the date format: MM/DD/YYYY (Example: 07/14/2025)
- Select an "Approval Category" from the drop-down menu to indicate the type of EPAF you want to process:
  - STUREA Student Reactivations
  - STUTRA Student Transfers
  - STUEJC Existing job changes
  - o **STUSEC** Addition of secondary student positions.
  - o STULBD- Labor distribution changes on a current, active position
  - o **STUEND** Ending a student job record.
- Click "Go"



# Conversions from Student Status Update Forms (SSUFs) to Student EPAFs

With the introduction of Student EPAFs, SSUFs will be sunset. Please see the conversions from SSUFs to Student EPAFs and examples of their usage.

SSUF	STUDENT EPAF	USAGE
Reactivations	STUREA- Student Reactivate Job	To reactivate a current student employee in a previous student position they held after a gap in employment
Transfer	STUTRA- Student Transfer to New Position	To transfer an active student employee out of one position to a new/different student position in the same department
Promotion	STUEJC- Student Change in Current Position	To make changes to a current student position. Can be used for a rate change. Example, a student moving to a higher level in the same position.
Secondary Position	STUSEC- Student Secondary Additional Position	To add additional student position(s) to an active student employee job.
Separation	STUEND- End Student Job Record	To end, a specific student position.
Transfer	STULBD- Student Labor Distribution Change	To update the index of a current student position.

# Processing Student Reactivations (STUREA)

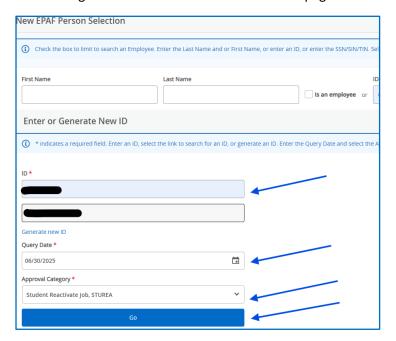
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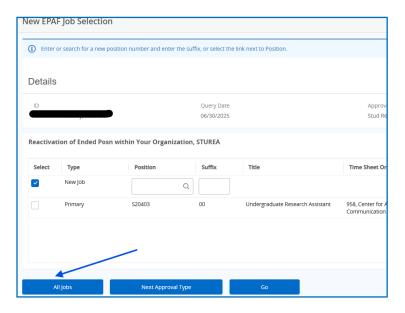
After selecting the Banner ID, and entering the "Query Date" and "Approval Category" "Student Reactivate Job, STUREA," you can continue processing the EPAF.

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- Click the "Go" button to navigate to the "New EPAF Job Selection" page

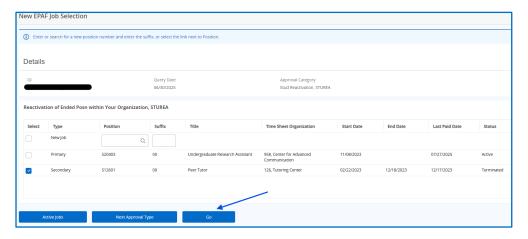


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• Click the "All Jobs" button to view all active and terminated jobs the student has held.



- Select the radio button next to the job you want to reactivate.
- Click the "Go" button.



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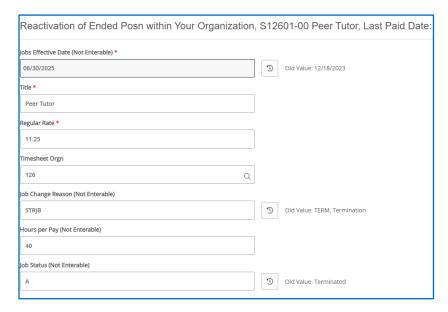
#### **Electronic Personnel Action Form Page**

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# 1) Reactivation of Terminated Position within Your Organization section:

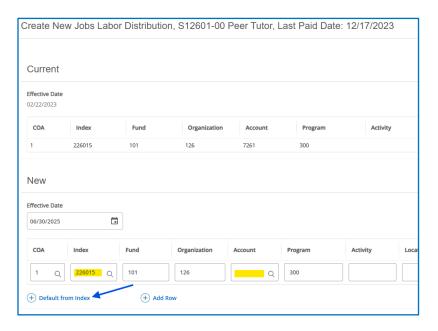
- Review the "Jobs Effective Date" this is the same date you entered in the "Query Date" field at the beginning of the EPAF and cannot be changed
- The Title, Regular Rate, Timesheet Orgn will default from the employee's job record in Banner. You can make changes to these if there have been updates since the employee's last record.
- Review/Enter the Position Title in the "Title" field.

- Review/Enter the New Hourly Rate in the "Regular Rate" field.
- Review/Enter the organization number associated with the position in the "Timesheet Org" field.
- If you are unsure of the org number, scroll down to the labor distribution section to view it then enter it in the "Timesheet Orgn" field. You may click the search icon to search from "Organization Codes (COA) and Descriptions".
- Skip the following fields. They are default fields and cannot be changed.
  - "Job Change Reason" (Defaults to STRJB)
  - "Hours per Pay" (Defaults to 40)
  - "Job Status" (Defaults to A)

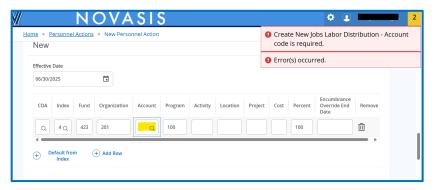


# 2) Create New Jobs Labor Distribution section:

- Verify the accounting information is correct
- If the labor distribution needs to be changed:
  - o Enter 1 in the "COA" field
  - Enter the index this position should be charged to in the "Index" field by overwriting the value in this field (this will primarily be used for grant-funded positions)



- Click the "Default from Index" button to populate the accounting information for the index you
  entered; this action will result in an error message "Account Code is Needed."
- Enter 7261 in the "Account" field and the error message will disappear

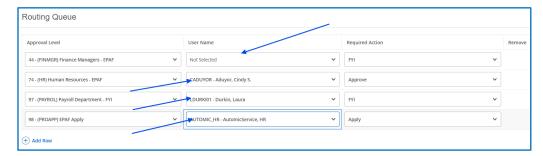


#### 3) Routing Queue section:

This section identifies the approval queue for the position. Default "Approval Levels" will populate based on the type of EPAF you selected. Use the Drop Down next to each "Approval Level" to select the appropriate approver from the "User Name" field. The default approval types for this EPAF are:

- 44 (FINMGR) Finance Managers EPAF
  - Select your Finance Manager in the "User Name" field this will vary by college
  - If your Finance Manager is not listed, email <u>Cindy Aduyor</u> for assistance
  - "Required Action" is set to "FYI"
- 74 (HR) Human Resources EPAF
  - Always select "Aduyor, Cindy S." in the "User Name" field
  - "Required Action" is set to "Approve"
- 97 (PAYROLL) Payroll Department FYI
  - o Always select "Durkin, Laura" in the "User Name" field
  - "Required Action" is set to "FYI"

- 98 (PROAPP) EPAF Apply
  - o Always select AUTOMATIC SERVICE\_HR in the "User Name" field
  - "Required Action" is set to "Apply"



#### 4) Comment section:

Use this section to note any errors you experienced while completing the EPAF, or additional information that is pertinent to this EPAF.

• Examples include errors you received and adjustments you made to the EPAF to save/submit



# 5) Saving the EPAF

Click the "Save" button and review the information you entered on the EPAF



## 6) Submitting the EPAF

- Scroll to the bottom of the page and click the "Submit" button
- The EPAF will now route to the Finance Manager.



#### **Additional Information:**

- The difference between "Warnings" and "Errors" when processing an EPAF:
  - "Warnings" can be ignored and the EPAF will process
  - "Errors" must be addressed, or you will not be able to successfully submit the EPAF

# Processing Student Transfers to New Position (STUTRA)

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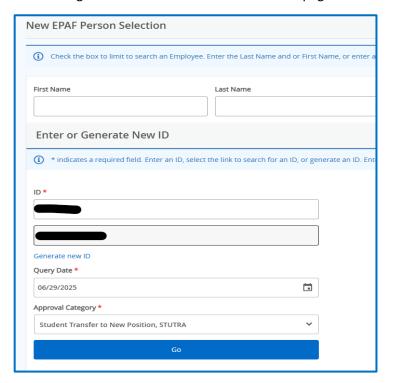
#### **New EPAF Person Selection Page**

After selecting the Banner ID and entering the "Query Date" and the "Approval Category" "Student Transfer to New Position, STUTRA," you can continue processing the EPAF.

Query Date for the EPAF "STUTRA".

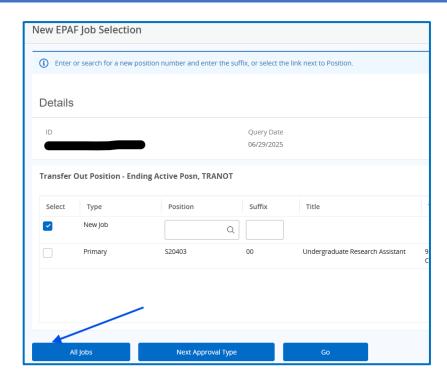
Please note the following when entering the Query date for the EPAF "STUTRA"

- o The Query Date must be the last day of the pay period (Sunday)
- The EPAF will end the current position number on the Query Date.
- The new position number should begin on the day AFTER the Query Date, which is a Payroll Monday
- Click the "Go" button to navigate to the "New EPAF Job Selection" page

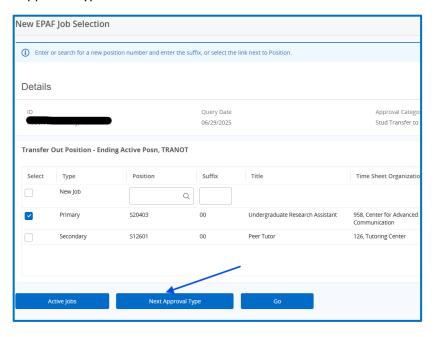


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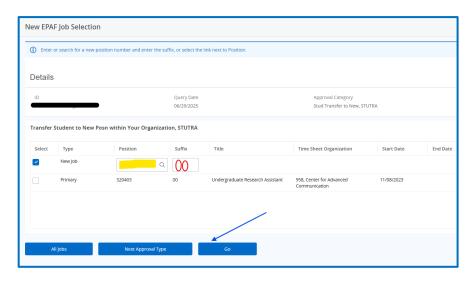
• Click "All Jobs" button to view all active and terminated jobs the student has held



- Select the radio button next to the job you want to transfer out of
- Click the "Next Approval Type" button



- Enter the "Position Number" of the new position you want to transfer to.
- Click into the Title field. The "Title" & "Timesheet Organization" will automatically populate
- Enter 00 into the "Suffix" field
- Click the "Go" button



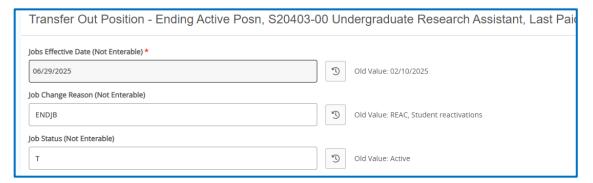
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#### **Electronic Personnel Action Form**

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#### 1) Transfer Out Position - Ending Active Position section

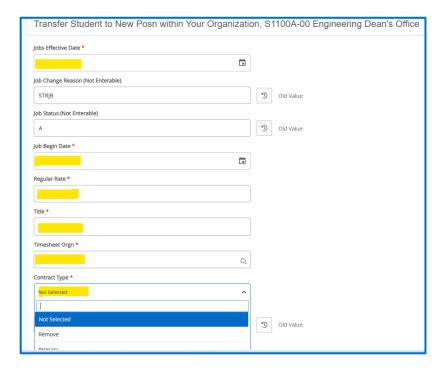
- Ensure that the sub header reflects the old Position Number and Title.
- Review the "Jobs Effective Date" this is the same date you entered in the "Query Date" field at the beginning of the EPAF and cannot be changed.
  - If you entered the wrong date in the "Query Date" field at the beginning of the EPAF, click
     'Personnel Actions' at the top of the page and restart the process with the correct date. Follow the above instructions on setting the Query Date for the EPAF "STUTRA".
  - This action is going to terminate the old job in the employee's record, and the date must be the last day of the pay period which is Sunday.
- Skip the "Job Change Reason" and "Job Status" fields; they are default fields which cannot be changed



#### 2) Transfer Student to New Position within Your Organization section

- Ensure that the sub header reflects the new Position Number and Title.
- Enter the "Job Effective Date"
- Enter the "Job Begin Date"
  - These dates should be set as the day AFTER the "Query Date".
  - Which should be a Payroll Monday.

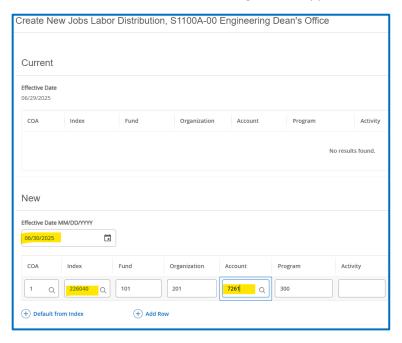
- Enter the New Hourly Rate in the "Regular Rate" field
- Enter the New Student Position Title in the "Title" field
- Enter the organization number associated with the position in the "Timesheet Org" field
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    enter it in the "Timesheet Orgn" field. You may click the search icon to search from "Organization
    Codes (COA) and Descriptions".
- Enter the "Contract Type"
  - If the job you terminated for this student is secondary, choose "Secondary". If the job you terminated for the student was primary, choose "Primary". Otherwise, you will receive an error message for this EPAF.
- Skip the following fields. They are default fields and cannot be changed.
  - "Job Change Reason" (Defaults to STRJB)
  - "Job Status" (Defaults to A)
  - "Hours per Pay" (Defaults to 40)
  - "Time Entry Method" (Defaults to W)
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  - "Time In/Time Out" (Defaults to Y)



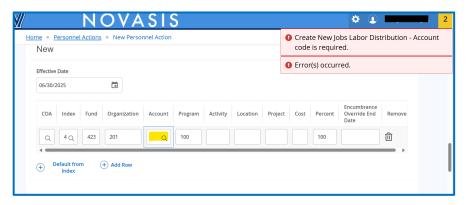
# 2) Create New Jobs Labor Distribution section:

- Update the effective date. Make sure it is the start date of the new job, i.e. the date **AFTER the "Query Date".**
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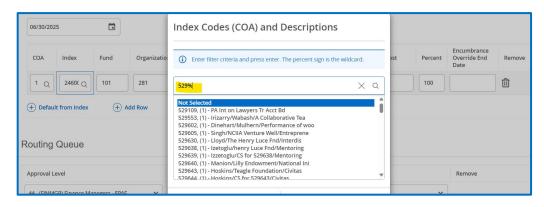
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- Updating the Index code
  - o If you need to update the Index code, you can search for it by clicking the search icon in the "Index" field.
  - If you have the first few digits of the code you can type that and add a "%" symbol. Then Click
     Search
  - This will bring up all the index codes starting with those numbers you searched\_ with their descriptions. You can then select the correct one you need.

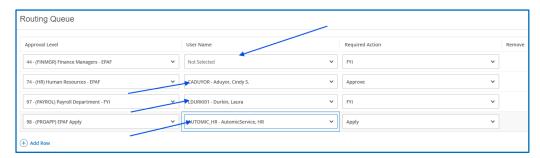


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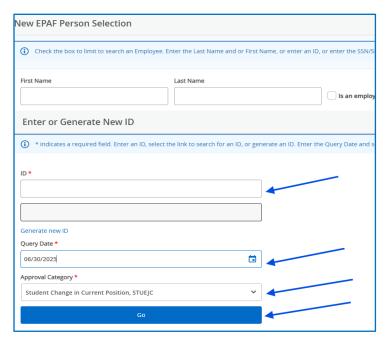
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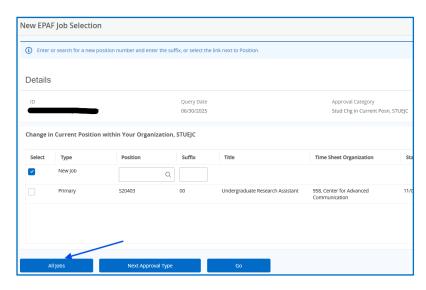
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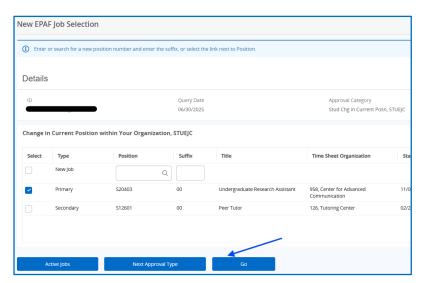


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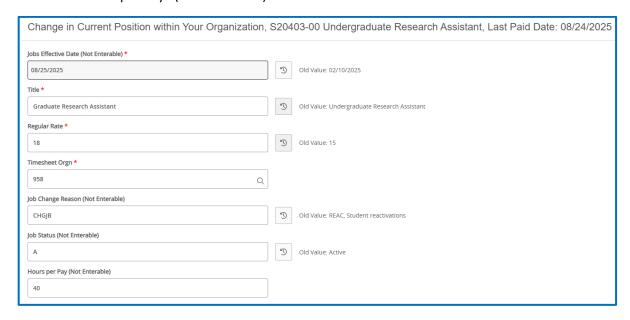
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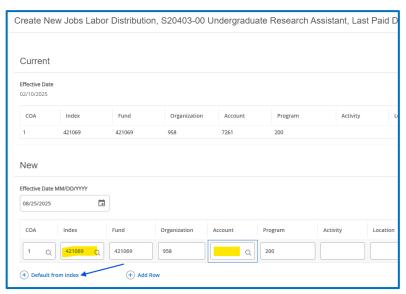
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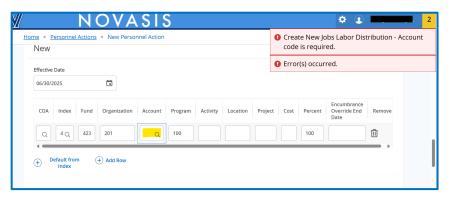


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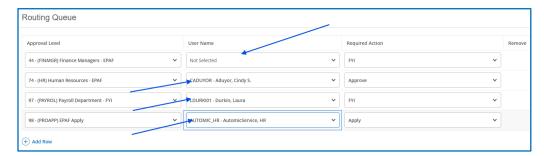
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  - "Required Action" should be set to "FYI"
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#### 4) Comment section

Use this section to note any errors you experienced while completing the EPAF, or additional information that is pertinent to this EPAF.

• Examples include errors you received and adjustments you made to the EPAF in order to save/submit



# 5) Saving the EPAF

• Click the "Save" button and review the information you entered on the EPAF



#### 6) Submitting the EPAF

- Scroll to the bottom of the page and click the "Submit" button
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# **Additional Information:**

- The difference between "Warnings" & "Errors" messages when processing an EPAF:
  - "Warnings" can be ignored and the EPAF will process
  - o "Errors" must be addressed, or you will not be able to successfully submit the EPAF
- Increase in wage: When using this EPAF for making a rate change with/without a title change, (formerly SSUF- Promotion) please be sure to follow the rate and title conventions in the <u>Student Wage Scale</u>. For situations not covered by the wage scale, please reach out to <u>Cindy Aduyor</u> for assistance.

# Adding a Secondary Position (STUSEC)

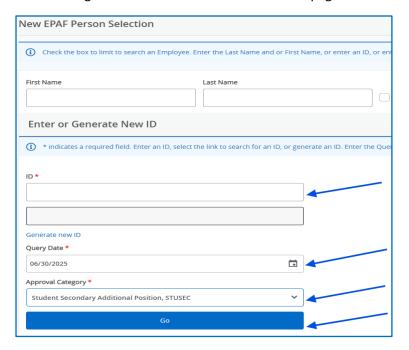
# **New EPAF Selection Pages**

There are only a few sections to complete before moving to edit and review the electronic personnel action form page.

# **New EPAF Person Selection Page**

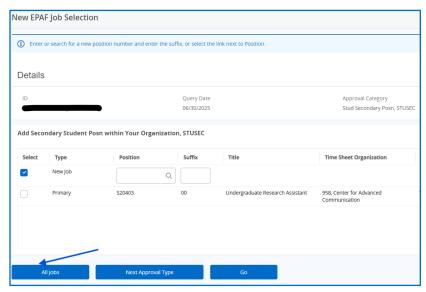
After selecting the Banner ID and entering the "Query Date" and the "Approval Category" "Student Secondary Additional Position, STUSEC" you can continue processing the EPAF. The Query date should be a Payroll Monday.

- Query Date: The Query date should be a Payroll Monday.
- Click the "Go" button to navigate to the "New EPAF Job Selection" page

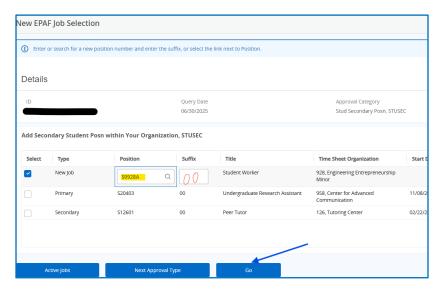


#### New EPAF Job Selection Page

• Click "All Jobs" button to view all active and terminated jobs the student has held



- Enter the "Position Number" and click into the Title field. The "Title" & "Timesheet Organization" will automatically populate
- Enter 00 into the "Suffix" field
- Click the "Go" button.



#### You are now ready to complete the EPAF!

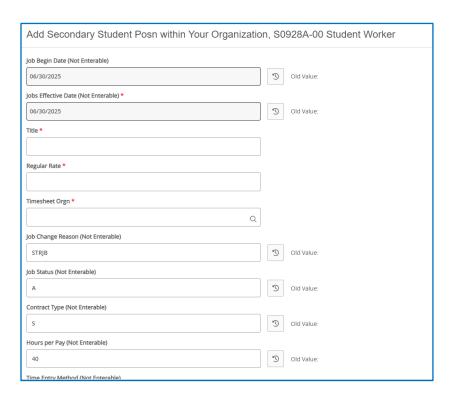
#### **Electronic Personnel Action Form**

There are several sections to edit and review on the "Electronic Personnel Action Form" page:

#### 1) Add Secondary Student Position within Your Organization section

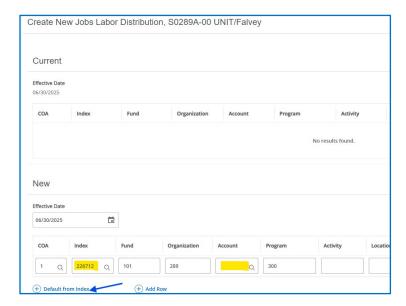
- Review the "Job Begin Date" this is the same date you entered in the "Query Date" field at the beginning of the EPAF and cannot be changed
  - If you entered the wrong date in the "Query Date" field at the beginning of the EPAF, click
     "Personnel Actions' at the top of the page and restart the process with the correct date (This should be a Payroll Monday)

- Review the "Jobs Effective Date" this is the same date you entered in the "Query Date" field at the beginning of the EPAF and cannot be changed (This should be a Payroll Monday)
- Enter the Position Title in the "Title" field.
- Enter the New Hourly Rate in the "Regular Rate" field.
- Enter the organization number associated with the position in the "Timesheet Org" field
  - If you are unsure of the org number, scroll down to the labor distribution section to view it then
    enter it in the "Timesheet Orgn" field. You may also click the magnifying glass to search the org
    number.
- Skip the following fields. They are default fields and cannot be changed.
  - "Job Change Reason" (Defaults to STRJB)
  - "Job Status" (Defaults to A)
  - "Contract Type" (Defaults to S)
  - "Hours per Pay" (Defaults to 40)
  - "Time Entry Method" (Defaults to W)
  - "Time Entry Type" (Defaults to T)
  - "Time In/ Time Out" (Defaults to Y)

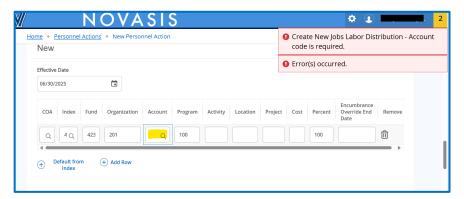


#### 2) Create New Jobs Labor Distribution section:

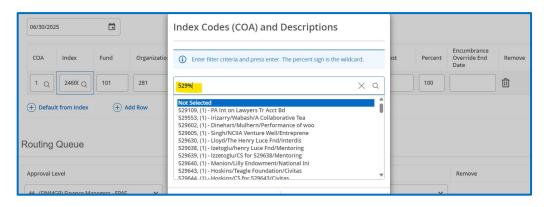
- Verify the accounting information is correct
- If the labor distribution needs to be updated:
  - o Enter 1 in the "COA" field
  - Enter the index this position should be charged to in the "Index" field by overwriting the value in this field (this will primarily be used for grant-funded positions)



- Click the "Default from Index" button to populate the accounting information for the index you entered; this action will result in the error message "Account Code is Needed"
- Enter 7261 in the "Account" field and the message will disappear



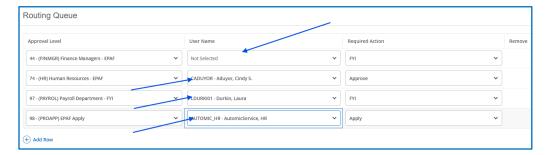
- Updating the Index code
  - o If you need to update the Index code, you can search for it by clicking the search icon in the "Index" field
  - If you have the first few digits of the code you can type that and add a "%" symbol. Then Click Search
  - This will bring up all the index codes starting with those numbers you searched\_ with their descriptions. You can then select the correct one you need.



# 3) Routing Queue section

This section identifies the approval queue for the position. Default "Approval Levels" will populate based on the type of EPAF you selected. Use the magnifying glass next to each "Approval Level" to select the appropriate approver from the "User Name" field. The default approval types for this EPAF are:

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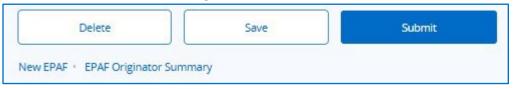
# 5) Saving the EPAF

• Click the "Save" button and review the information you entered on the EPAF



# 6) Submitting the EPAF

- Scroll to the bottom of the page and click the "Submit" button
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# Processing Student Labor Distribution Changes (STULBD)

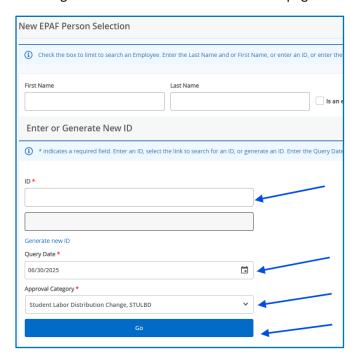
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# New EPAF Person Selection Page

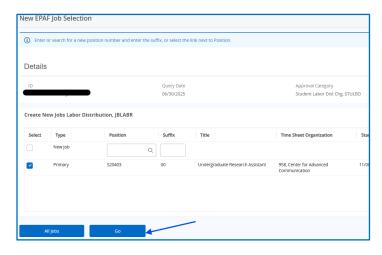
After selecting the Banner ID, and entering the "Query Date" and "Approval Category" "Student Labor Distribution Chg, STULBD," you can continue processing the EPAF.

- Query Date: The Query date should be a Payroll Monday. It should be after the Last Paid Date which can be found at the top of the page.
- Click the "Go" button to navigate to the "New EPAF Job Selection" page



New EPAF Job Selection Page

- Select the radio button next to the job you want to update the labor distribution.
- Click the "Go" button



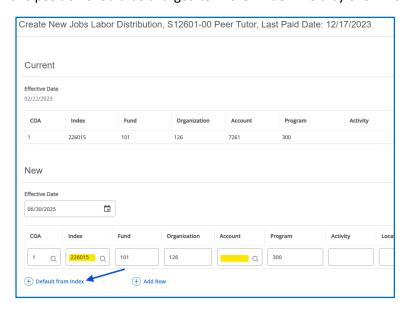
#### You are now ready to complete the EPAF!

# **Electronic Personnel Action Form Page**

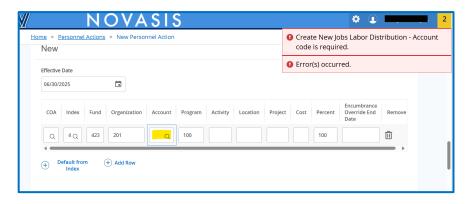
There are sections to edit and review on the "Electronic Personnel Action Form" page:

#### 1) Create New Jobs Labor Distribution section:

- Review the "Effective Date" this is the same date you entered in the "Query Date" field at the beginning of the EPAF and cannot be changed
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- Enter 1 in the "COA" field
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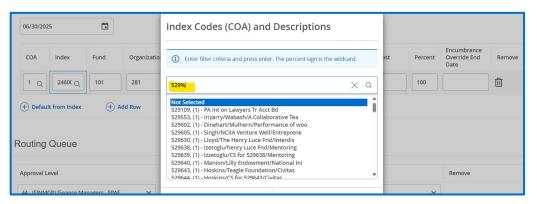


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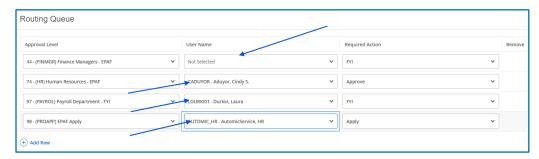
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  - o Always select AUTOMATIC SERVICE\_HR in the "User Name" field
  - "Required Action" is set to "Apply"



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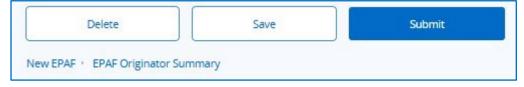
#### 4) Saving the EPAF

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#### 5) Submitting the EPAF

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# Ending a Student Job (STUEND)

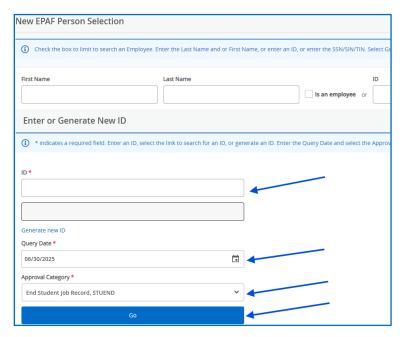
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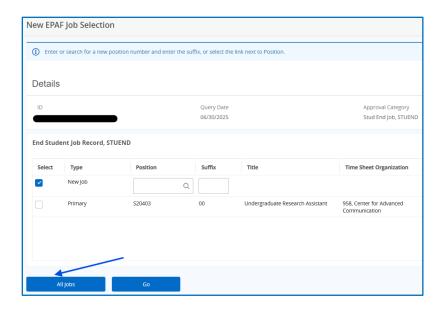
After selecting the Banner ID and entering the "Query Date" and "Approval Category" "End Student Job Record, STUEND," you can continue processing the EPAF.

- Query Date: The Query date should be after the Last Paid Date which can be found at the top of the page.
- Click the "Go" button to navigate to the "New EPAF Job Selection" page

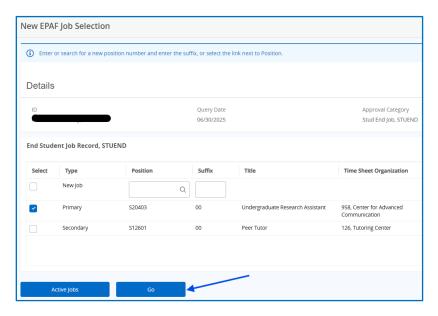


#### New EPAF Job Selection Page

Click "All Jobs" button to view all active and terminated jobs the student has held



- Select the radio button next to the job you want to terminate.
- Click the "Go" button



You are now ready to complete the EPAF!

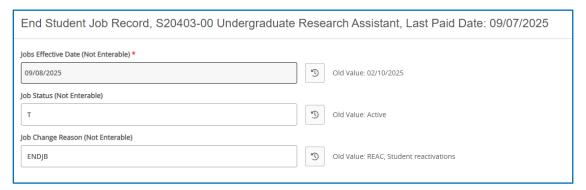
# **Electronic Personnel Action Form Page**

There are sections to edit and review on the "Electronic Personnel Action Form" page:

#### 1) End Student Job Record section:

• Review the "Effective Date" – this is the same date you entered in the "Query Date" field at the beginning of the EPAF and cannot be changed

- If you entered the wrong date in the "Query Date" field at the beginning of the EPAF, click "Personnel Actions' at the top of the page and restart the process with the correct date. (The Query date should be after the Last Paid Date which can be found at the top of the page.)
- Skip the "Job Change Reason" and "Job Status" fields; they are default fields which cannot be changed



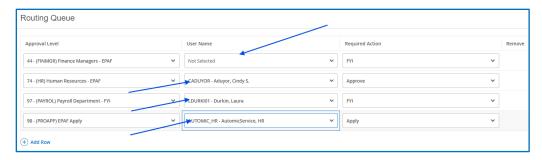
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# 3) Comment Section

Use this section to note any errors you experienced while completing the EPAF, or additional information that is pertinent to this EPAF.

• Examples include errors you received and adjustments you made to the EPAF in order to save/submit. If the student is graduating, please indicate this in the comment section so that the student can be terminated from the Employee Forms



### 4) Saving the EPAF

Click the "Save" button and review the information you entered on the EPAF



### 5) Submitting the EPAF

- Scroll to the bottom of the page and click the "Submit" button
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# Sample Email Notification

### • Approval Email:

----Original Message-----

From: hr@villanova.edu <hr@villanova.edu> Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2023 11:48 AM

To: Maura Ewing <maura.ewing@villanova.edu>

Subject: EPAF Action Required

Dear Colleague,

An EPAF for position S0289A-Information Technology Technician II is waiting for approval. The transaction number for the EPAF is: 60357. You are the next approver for this EPAF, and it will not be routed to the next Approver Level until you have taken action against it.

To approve this EPAF, please login into myNOVA and search for Novasis. Once you have accessed Novasis, navigate to the employee tab and then click on the "Electronic Personnel Action Form" link.

On the EPAF Main Menu, click the "EPAF Approver Summary" link. This page will show you all transactions (including the one referenced above) for you to approve. Click on the "Name" of the transaction you want to approve. This will bring you to the EPAF Preview page where you can click "Approve" to process the transaction.

Once you approve the transaction, it will be routed to the next approver level identified in the EPAF process.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

#### Return for Correction Email:

----Original Message-----

From: hr@villanova.edu <hr@villanova.edu> Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2023 11:48 AM

To: Maura Ewing <maura.ewing@villanova.edu>

Subject: EPAF Action Required

Dear Colleague,

An EPAF for position S0289A-Information Technology Technician II has been returned for corrections. The transaction number for the EPAF is: 57893. Please review the comments and correct the EPAF and re-submit for approval.

To correct this EPAF, please login into myNOVA and search for Novasis. Once you have accessed Novasis, navigate to the employee tab and then click on the "Electronic Personnel Action Form" link.

On the EPAF Main Menu, click on "EPAF Originator Summary." This page will show you all transactions you have submitted and any that are returned for corrections.

Click on the "Name" of the transaction you want to correct. This will bring you to the EPAF Preview page where you can make changes to the EPAF.

Scroll to the bottom of the page and click "Save" and then "Submit".

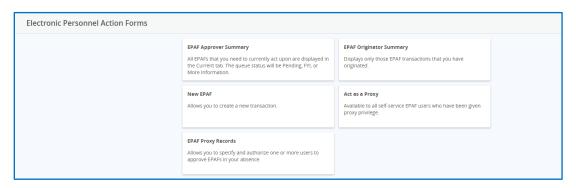
Once you submit the transaction, it will be routed to the next approver level identified in the EPAF process.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

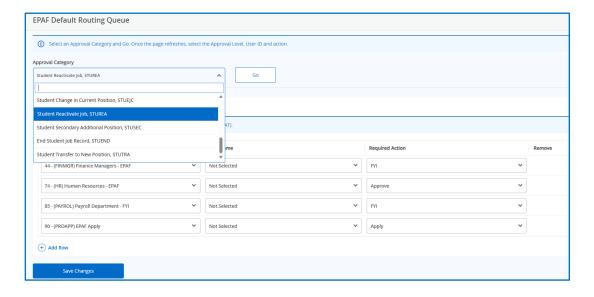
# Customizing the EPAF Approval Process for individual originators

If you have the same routing queue for each EPAF you create and do not want to manually select approvers each time you create one, you can customize your routing queues:

- Click the "EPAF Originator Summary" on the EPAF main menu
- Click on the "Default Routing Queue"

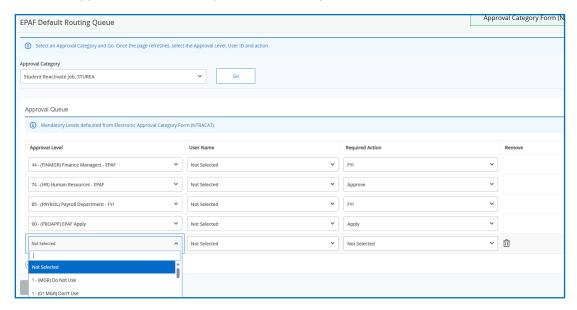


- Select an "Approval Category" from the drop down menu
- Click the "Go" button



- Enter the required approval levels, the levels will display, you will need to pick the user names for each level:
  - 45 (FINMGR) Finance Managers EPAF
    - Select your Finance Manager in the "User Name" field
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- Always select AUTOMATIC SERVICE\_HR in the "User Name" field
- Add an additional level by clicking the "Approval Level" drop down menu and selecting the level
- Use the magnifying glass to select the approver's name
- Select "Approve" from the "Required Action" drop down menu



- Click the "Save Changes" button when you have updated all your default approval levels
- Repeat this step for each "Approval Category" of the EPAF approval queues you want to update

# Appendix A: GENERAL QUESTIONS FAQ's

RESPONSE

What is an EPAF?

EPAF stands for "Electronic Personnel Action
Form". An EPAF allows personnel actions to be
created and approved electronically, eliminating
paper and allowing the originator to track an EPAF
through the approval process.

What is the flow of an EPAF? FIRST: An Originator creates an EPAF in Banner

Self-Service from the Employee menu.

 $\ensuremath{\text{\textbf{NEXT:}}}$  One or more Approvers approve the EPAF in

Banner Self Service.

**LAST:** An Applier in Human Resources applies the information from an approved EPAF to Banner.

Who is an Originator? An Originator is a person who creates an EPAF.

An Approver is a person who reviews an EPAF, and either approves, disapproves, or returns the EPAF to the Originator for correction.

An EPAF must have at least one Approver (a mandatory approval level), but it may have more than one. Examples of approval levels include the Finance Managers, Office of Grants & Contracts, and Human Resources.

If a department requires more than the mandatory approval level(s) associated with a given EPAF, the originator can set up additional approval levels in the Default Routing Queue associated with each type of EPAF they originate.

In rare instances, a person may be both an Originator and an Approver; however, an Originator should never approve any EPAF that he/she originated.

An Applier is a person who saves (applies) the information from an approved EPAF transaction to Banner. Each EPAF must have an Applier (another mandatory approval level).

The Applier for all EPAF's will be the group "EPAF Apply" and the user in this group will always be "Automatic\_HR". EPAF's will be applied twice a day through an automatic process.

Who is an Approver?

Can a person be both an Originator and an Approver?

Who is an Applier?

What is the difference between "Approve", "FYI",	<b>Approve</b> – A person in the approval queue with a
and "Apply" in the Routing Queue section?	required action of "approve" reviews the EPAF for
	correctness before approving it. If there are
	multiple approvers for an EPAF, the EPAF will be

approval levels.

**FYI** – A person in the approval queue with an action of "FYI" will be able to see an EPAF is in process. This individual will have the ability to view the EPAF but not to approve it. The flow of the EPAF is not dependent on any action by this person.

routed to each of them in an order based on their

**Apply** – This is the final step of the EPAF process. An automated process associated with the user "Automatic\_HR" applies the EPAF transaction information to Banner.

How do I access EPAFs through Self-Service? Once you have been identified and set up as an

Originator or someone in an Approval Level (i.e., available to be added to the Routing Queue), you can access the EPAF menu through the Employee menu in self-service.

Can I set up a proxy for EPAFs?

Only Approvers and Appliers can set up proxies to handle their EPAF duties while they are absent.

I have a proxy set up for web time entry timesheet approvals. Do I need to set up a proxy for EPAFs?

Yes. Proxies for web time entry timesheet approvals are not related to proxies for EPAF approvals.

# Appendix B: ORIGINATORS FAQ's

QUESTION  Can a department have more than one Originator?	RESPONSE  Yes. A department can have more than one Originator. However, an EPAF can only be corrected by the Originator who created it.
Our department's Originator is out on leave. Can someone else make corrections to an EPAF he/she created?	No. Since an Originator can't designate a Proxy, another Originator in the department would need to create a new EPAF if it is something that can't wait. If there isn't anyone else to create a new EPAF, contact Human Resources for assistance.
How do I know which EPAF to use?	EPAF access is managed by HR. If you are unsure of what EPAF to use or you do not see the EPAF you need in your menu, please contact Human Resources for assistance.
What do all the different dates in the body of an EPAF mean?	Effective Date: The date the transaction will take effect in Banner. This will usually be a payroll date (please reference the <u>payroll calendars</u> . Student payroll & Monthly payroll  Personnel Date: The date the action actually took effect. This will generally match the effective date.
After I've made corrections to an EPAF, do I need to save the EPAF again?	Yes. You always need to save an EPAF after you have made changes. When it is ready for approval, you can submit it.
How will I know if my transaction has been saved or submitted successfully?	You need to save your EPAF before you submit it. You will receive a message at the top of the EPAF screen telling you that your save or submit was successful. If you receive error messages, you will need to resolve them before you save or submit.
How do I check the status of my EPAF?	Use the Originator Summary screen to check the status of your EPAF. If the EPAF has already been submitted, it will appear under the "History" tab.
Why does the queue status say "Waiting" instead of "Pending?"	Waiting means that the EPAF has not been successfully submitted. Locate the EPAF in the Originator Summary and view the error messages, if there are any. Click on "Update" if necessary and

then save and submit the EPAF.

Do I need to worry about warning messages?

No. Warning messages will not prevent a transaction from being submitted, approved, and applied to Banner.

Do I need to worry about error messages?

Yes. Error messages will prevent an EPAF from being saved or submitted successfully. If you have read the error messages carefully, reviewed your EPAF, and still can't resolve the problem, call Human Resources for assistance.

Can I change the position number and suffix once a transaction has been saved?

No. The position number and suffix are unique to each entry and cannot be changed after the transaction has been saved. You will have to delete or void your current EPAF and create a new EPAF. Contact Human Resources for assistance.

What is the difference between "voiding" and "deleting" and EPAF?

An EPAF that has been voided will remain in the Originator Summary. This selection is useful if you would like to keep a copy for future reference. Once an EPAF has been deleted, it will no longer appear in Originator Summary.

Be careful! There is no prompt to confirm that you

want something deleted.

I need to change some information on an EPAF. What should I do?

If you have saved (but not submitted) the EPAF, you can access it from your Originator Summary and make your changes.

If you have submitted the EPAF and it does not yet have a transaction status of "Approved," you can call the next approver in line and have him/her return it to you for correction.

If the EPAF has a transaction status of "Approved," it has been approved, but it has not yet been applied to Banner. Call HR so that the EPAF can be returned to you for correction.

If the EPAF has a transaction status of "Completed," it has been applied to Banner. You can either:

- 1. Call Human Resources to delete the transaction (in which case you would want to "cancel" it from your Originator Summary) and create a new EPAF, or
- 2. Submit an EPAF with corrected information on it.

What can I do if my EPAF Approver is on leave and they have not designated a proxy?

You can contact Human Resources to return the EPAF to you. You will be able to update the EPAF and change the routing queue of the EPAF so that it routes to a different Approver, if there is an additional person who would be appropriate to assume that responsibility.

How can I make someone default into the Routing Queue rather than having to search for or type their username each time?

Additional approval levels, as well as specific people, can be set up to automatically default by setting up a Default Rou®ng Queue.

A Default Routing Queue is specific to a type of EPAF, so if you use 4 types of EPAFs, you will probably want to set up a Default Routing Queue for each one.

The Default Routing Queue can be accessed from the Originator Summary screen. You can choose an approval level, a person, and the required action for that person.

What if I want to choose a person to be in my routing queue, but I don't see him/her on the drop-down list?

All people in the Routing Queue must be defined in an Approval Level. If the person you need to choose is not available, please contact Human Resources.

# Appendix B: APPROVERS FAQ's

QUESTION	RESPONSE
What information am I expected to approve?	It is understood that not all approvers will have the knowledge to approve all fields on the EPAF. However, Finance Managers & Human Resources are required to review all information in the EPAF for accuracy.
Can there be more than one Approver for an EPAF?	Yes, there can be multiple levels of approval (e.g., in some cases, an EPAF must go to the Office of Grants & Contracts if the EPAF is associated with a grant). The order of approval is dictated by the routing queue. Once an approver has approved the EPAF, it will be available for the next approver in line to review it.
Can an Approver make changes to an EPAF?	No, only the Originator can make changes. If there is a problem with the EPAF, the Approver can choose "return for correction" and add a comment as to what the problem is. The Originator can make the necessary changes, save and re-submit the EPAF.
How do I check the status of an EPAF?	Use the Approver Summary screen to check the status of your EPAFs:  • The Current tab displays EPAFs you need to act on.  • The In My Queue tab displays EPAFs that have been submitted, but that have not reached you yet.  • The History tab shows EPAFs you have already acted on.
What is "return for correction"?	If you return something for correction, you are expecting the originator to change data on the EPAF, and the EPAF will need to go through the entire routing queue again.

Will I receive a notification that I need to approve an EPAF?

Yes. Emails are generated twice a day and are sent to anyone who has EPAFs needing corrections, approval or available for FYI.

How do I designate a proxy to handle my approvals while I'm gone?

EPAF approver proxies are separate from web time entry timesheet approver proxies and must be set up separately. If you are in an approval level, you can set up/maintain your proxies from the EPAF main menu or from your Approver Summary.

# ADDITIONAL FAQ's

Position numbers are case sensitive: When entering position numbers in NOVASIS, be sure to use Upper case for the Letter. E.g. Use \$00001/GA0001 instead of \$00001/ga0001.