Accrual Accounting and Year-end Tips
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- An accounting method is the way events and financial position is reported.

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- Cash (i.e. Personal Bank Account)
  - Income is recorded when cash/check is received
  - Expenses are recorded when the vendor is paid

- Accrual (i.e. Governments)
  - Income is recorded when the sale occurs
  - Expenses are recorded when the goods or services are received (and used)
Accrual Method

- Government entities (including universities) are required to follow GASB standards
  - GASB establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for government units
  - GASB 34 requires the use of the accrual accounting method
- Since governments are required to follow GASB standards, CSU is required to use the accrual accounting method
Accrual Method

- The term *accrual* refers to any individual entry recording revenue or expense in the absence of a cash exchange.
- Accruals are recorded on the transaction date.
- Transaction date is when a financial event occurs whether or not cash is exchanged:
  - Services are performed (diagnostic testing)
  - Product is sold (books)
  - Inventory is received
- CSU’s fiscal year is July 1st – June 30th.
Other Accruals - Assets

- Prepaid Expenses
  - Service contracts
    - Paid once per year
    - Should be expensed in 12 equal amounts
Other Accruals - Deposits

- Deposits
  - An outside vendor requires a deposit in FY15 for a contract that is applicable to FY16
    - The expense should not be booked until the event takes place
Other Accruals - Liabilities

- Deferred Revenue
  - Revenue received in FY15, but earned in FY16
    - Example is sports/youth camps paid in advance for next fiscal year
    - Tuition paid in June for summer semester ending in August
    - Football season tickets sold in June
Examples:
Accrual Method
Accrual Method – Revenue Example #1

Account 2205000 receives an order to test a soil sample on April 30\textsuperscript{th}. The test results are completed and the customer invoiced on May 31\textsuperscript{st} for $200 and the customer pays on July 3\textsuperscript{rd}. What document(s) would be used, and when would this revenue be recognized?
Accrual Method – Revenue Example #2

Account 2628000 received and booked $500 conference deposit on May 31, 2015 for a conference from September 1-3, 2016. What document(s) would you use to book this, and what fiscal year does it go in?
Accrual Method – Expense Example #1

Account 1262000 ordered office supplies on April 30, 2015 in the amount of $50 and the supplies were received on May 31, 2015. The vendor was paid on July 2, 2015. What document will be filled out and what fiscal year will this be in?
Accrual Method – Expense Example #2

Account 1356570 entered into a 12 month service agreement in the amount of $12,000 from April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016, and was booked in full to object code 6601. What document(s) will be used and what fiscal year will this be recognized in?
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- From July 1-8 a drop-down will appear that will let you select either “YE2015 Close” or “July 2015”
  - YE2015 Close – post in period 13 for FY15
  - July 2015 – post in period 01 for FY16
Year-end Tips

- Campus has until July 8th at noon to make entries to FY15
- If you are unsure if you need to accrue an item because you don’t know when the revenue will be received or expense paid, you have until July 8th to make that entry
Year-end Tips

- The following Account and/or Object Codes must be $0.00 at year-end (July 8th at noon)
  - 200xxxx (last 4 numbers are your department number)
  - Each object code needs to be cleared out
  - 6684 Credit Card Clearing – must be $0.00
Year-end Tips

- On June 30th, check your enroute documents to make sure they are approved.
- Anything unapproved after 7 p.m. will automatically be disapproved and will need to be re-entered.
Year-end Tips – A/P

- Disbursement Vouchers must be submitted and approved by 07/03/15
- A list of outstanding POs will be sent to the Fiscal Officer to identify which is for FY15 and FY16
- A/P will conduct a post-payment review to identify items paid after year-end that should have been accrued in FY15
Year-end Tips - Travel

- June 15th is deadline to order Ghost Card airline tickets for FY15. If purchased after June 15th will be booked in FY16
- July 2nd by 4:00 is deadline to submit travel vouchers from June 30 or prior to the travel desk
Questions?

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