



Appointing Graduate Assistants via GA Express

Key Information:

Required Roles: **FSU_ERS_ADD_EXPRESS** and **FSU_SS_MANAGER**

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Understanding the Process:

This guide will detail the steps to appoint Graduate Assistants via GA Express in OMNI HR.

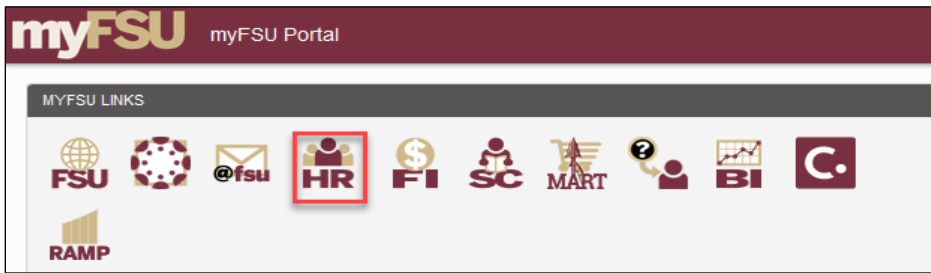
Similar to the OPS Express process, each semester the Office of Human Resources creates a job opening called the GA Express for departments to hire graduate assistants. The GA Express job opening will display for departments in the Recruiting > Search Job Openings list, but it is not advertised for applicants to apply. The department creates the appointment record and links the record to the current GA Express job opening.

The hiring department must ensure that the candidate qualifies, is interviewed, and [pre-employment checks](#) are completed; however, with regard to system coding, the department does not have to request applicants to be routed, create interview evaluations, record disposition codes, or complete the pre-employment checklist in OMNI.

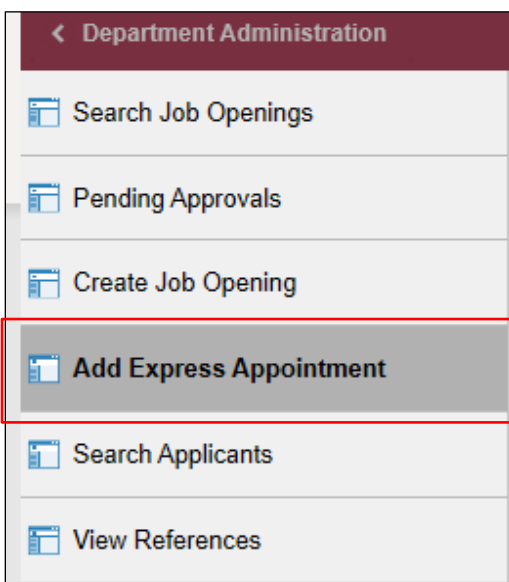
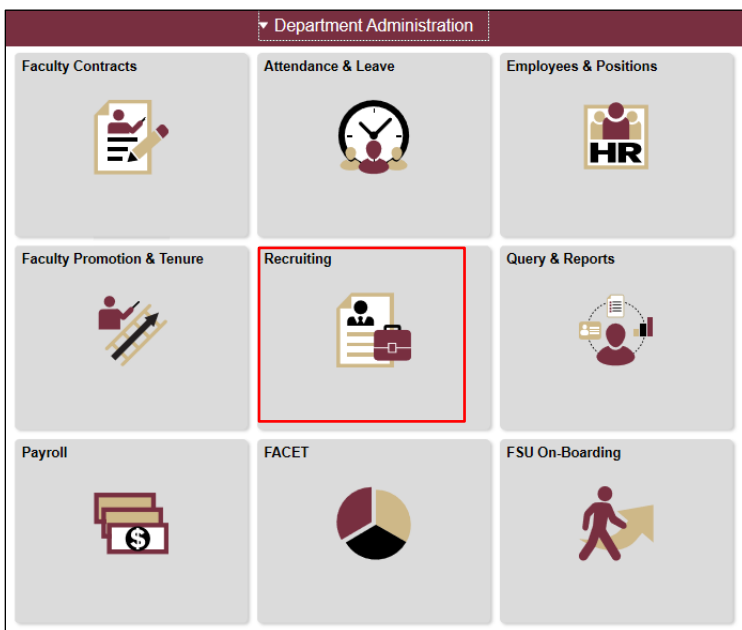
Once the department has discussed the anticipated start date, stipend, and appointment details with the candidate, they may proceed with creating the express appointment and entering the job offer in OMNI as detailed below.

| Step | Action: <i>Obtaining Key Appointment Information</i> |
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| 1. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask the candidate to provide you with their Student ID/EMPLID and FSUID for the purpose of the department creating the appointment record. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The candidate can find this information by logging into the myFSU portal and referring to the section under “Welcome” in the upper right of the page. ○ <i>Never ask for a candidate’s password.</i> ○ Obtain a valid email address from the candidate. |

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| Step | Action: <i>Logging in to Get Started</i> |
| 2. | Log into myFSU > click on the HR icon. |



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| Step | Action: <i>Creating the GA Express Appointment Record</i> |
| 3. | From the Department Administration page or the Navigator > click Recruiting > Add Express Appointment . |



Action: Adding the Student's Information

IMPORTANT! Completing the steps below will sync the onboarding invitation with the candidate's myFSU account; therefore, it is very important that you have confirmed their information before starting this process.

On the **Express Appt** page:

- a. Choose **Employee** from the **Applicant Type** drop-down menu > click **Search**.

Express Appt

Save Save and Create Another | Recruiting Home

Applicant

*Applicant Type **Employee** Employee ID/Student ID
Preferred Contact Not Specified

Applicant Status

*Status Code Active Status Reason
Status Date 06/24/2020

Name

Name Format English
Name Prefix
*First Name
Middle Name
*Last Name
Name Suffix

Email Addresses

*No Email Addresses have been added for this applicant.

Phone Numbers

No Phone Numbers have been added for this applicant.

- b. On the search page, enter the **Empl ID/Student ID** and FSUID **IN ALL CAPS** in the **User ID** field > click **Search**.
- c. When you have confirmed a match, click **Select** to continue adding the record.

search

*Empl ID/Student ID
*User ID

Search Results

1-1 of 1

| Select | Empl ID | User ID | First Name | Middle Name | Last Name |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| <input type="button" value="Select"/> | 000000000 | TEST | Testing | A | Record |

- d. The candidate's name and last known email address will populate on the page. Update the primary email address as needed.
- e. Click **Save** or **Save and Create Another** to add additional express appointments.
- f. Note the **Applicant ID** that generates.

Notes:

- The email address provided is where the Smart Onboarding invitation will be sent later in the process.
- The Empl ID/Student ID will carry over to the job offer. When the Onboarding invitation is launched, the candidate will be directed to login at the myFSU portal to complete onboarding.
- Creating the record as an employee applicant type allows some existing data from the student database to prepopulate into the onboarding session, making it a faster process for the candidate.

The screenshot shows the 'Applicant Record' page for 'Testing Record'. At the top, there are buttons for 'Save' and 'Save and Create Another', along with navigation links for 'Recruiting Home' and 'Manage Applicant'. The 'Applicant ID' field is highlighted with a red box and contains the value '000000'. Below this are tabs for 'Personal Information' and 'Applications'. The 'Applicant' section includes dropdowns for '*Applicant Type' (Employee) and 'Preferred Contact' (Not Specified), and a text field for 'Employee ID/Student ID' (000000000) with 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons. The 'Applicant Status' section shows '*Status Code' (Active) and 'Status Date' (06/24/2020). The 'Name' section lists 'Name Format' (English), 'Name Prefix', 'First Name' (Testing), 'Middle Name', and 'Last Name' (Record). The 'Email Addresses' section has a table with columns 'Primary', '*Email Type', and 'Email Address', containing one entry with 'Primary' checked, 'Email Type' as 'Home', and 'Email Address' as 'testing@fsu.edu'. An 'Add Email Address' button is at the bottom.

| Step | Action: Searching for the Record |
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| 4. | Navigate to Recruiting > Search Applicants > enter the applicant ID in the Applicant ID field > click Search . |

The screenshot shows the 'Find Appt/Applicants' search page. It features a 'Recruiting Home' link and three search options: 'Quick Search', 'Keyword Search', and 'Advanced Search'. Under 'Search Criteria', there is a checkbox for 'Search My Applicants'. The search fields include: 'First Name', 'Last Name', 'Alternate Character Name', 'Applicant Status' (dropdown), 'Applied Within' (dropdown), 'Applied Between' (date range), 'Job Opening ID' (with a search icon), and 'Applicant ID' (highlighted with a red box). 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons are at the bottom.

| Step | Action: <i>Linking the Record to the GA Express Pool</i> |
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| 5. | Across from the candidate's name, use the Actions drop-down menu to select Link Applicant to Job . |

Search Results ?

1-1 of 1 | View All

| Select | Applicant | Applicant ID | Type | Status | Phone | Email Address | Date Applied | Jobs Applied | Actions |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------|------------|-------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Testing Record | 682021 | Employee | 010 Active | | testing@fsu.edu | 06/26/2020 | 0 | ▼ Actions Link Applicant to Job Send Correspondence |

Select All Deselect All ▼ Group Actions

| Step | Action |
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| 6. | Enter the appropriate GA Express job ID in the Job Opening ID field or use the magnifying glass icon to select the GA Express pool corresponding to the employee's begin date > click Link . |

Link Applicant to Job Opening
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Applicants to be Linked

| Applicant | Name | Status | Email Address | |
|---|----------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <input type="text" value="000000"/> ✕ 🔍 | Testing Record | 010 Active | testing@fsu.edu | 🗑️ |

Add Applicant

Job Openings

| Job Opening ID | Posting Title | Job Posted | Questionnaire | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <input type="text"/> 🔍 | | | | 🗑️ |

Add Job Opening

Disposition Information

*Disposition ▼

Reason ▼

Date 06/26/2020

Link
Cancel

Applicants to be Linked

| Applicant | Name | Status | Email Address |
|--|----------------|------------|-----------------|
| <input type="text" value="000000"/> <input type="button" value="Q"/> | Testing Record | 010 Active | testing@fsu.edu |

Add Applicant

Job Openings

| Job Opening ID | Posting Title | Job Posted | Questionnaire | | |
|---|------------------------|------------|---------------|--|--|
| <input type="text" value="47380"/> <input type="button" value="Q"/> | GA Express - Fall 2020 | No | No | | |

Add Job Opening

Disposition Information

*Disposition

Reason

Date 06/26/2020

Link

Cancel

You have successfully linked this Applicant to the selected Job Opening(s). (18177,77)

OK

Process Tip:

If you created multiple GA express appointment records in step 3 and need to link them all to the same job opening, you may do so in mass from the **Search Applicants** page.

On this page, set the **Applied Within** drop-down menu to **010-Today** > **Search** > ensure you only check the boxes next to the records *you* created > use the **Group Actions** drop-down menu at the bottom > **Link Applicant to Job** > enter the job ID > click **Link**.

Navigate directly to the Job Opening via **Recruiting** > **Search Job Openings** and prepare each job offer following the steps below.

| Step | Action: <i>Preparing the Job Offer</i> |
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| 7. | After the applicant record has been successfully linked, click on the candidate's name. |

| Select | Applicant* | Applicant ID | Type | Status | Phone | Email Address | Date Applied | Jobs Applied | Actions |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------|------------|-------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Testing Record | 682021 | Employee | 010 Active | | testing@fsu.edu | 06/26/2020 | 0 | ▼ Actions |

| Step | Action |
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| 8. | Across from the Job Opening, click on Other Actions > Recruiting Actions > Prepare/View Job Offer . |

Name Testing Record
Applicant ID 682021
Applicant Type Employee
Status 010 Active

Preferred Contact Not Specified
Phone
Email testing@fsu.edu
Address

Applicant Activity | Notes | Applicant Data | Interested Parties

Current Status | Interview Evaluation | Expenses | History

Applicant Activity ⓘ

| Select | Job Opening | Job Opening ID | Disposition | Application | Resume | Route | Print | Actions |
|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|--------|-------|-------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | GA Express - Fall 2020 | 47380 | Linked | | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▼ Other Actions Recruiting Actions > Applicant Actions > <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare / View Job Offer View / Edit Application Details RECRUITER ONLY - Edit Disposition |

Select All Deselect All ▼ Group Actions

| Step | Action |
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| 9. | Begin on the Offer Details tab. |

[Offer Details](#)

| Step | Action |
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| 10. | <p>On the Offer Details tab, complete the required fields, ensuring that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offer Amount is entered at an annualized rate ($annualized\ rate = hourly\ rate \times standard\ weekly\ hours \times 2 \times frequency$) and is at/above the minimum required salary for a GA Frequency is 26.1 Appropriate Job Code is used (<i>do not leave as OPSX</i>) Begin Date is at least <u>2 - 3 weeks</u> out to allow time for approvals, Smart Onboarding completion, and background check completion (<i>if applicable</i>). Reference Payroll Deadlines for Smart Onboarding Actions. Plus sign is clicked to add multiple funding sources. The total Percent of Distribution must equal 100%. Combo Code contains an "O" Job offer has a Funding End Date Calc Period Amt button is clicked In the Comments box, it is indicated whether the candidate is a new hire, rehire, or additional appointment <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -If you are unsure of the candidate's citizenship status select "Yes", as the candidate will specify this in the onboarding portal. -The appropriate Empl Class will populate based on the selected job code. -The Pre-Mgr Approver field is optional. |

The screenshot displays the 'Offer Details' web application interface. The 'Offer Details' tab is highlighted with a red box. The interface includes the following sections:

- Offer Details Tab:** Includes fields for Job Opening (47380), Position Number, Recruiter, Status (006 Pending Approval), Business Unit (FSU01), Offer Date (06/26/2020), Applicant Type (Employee), and Preferred Contact (Not Specified). Action buttons include Save as Draft, Submit for Approval, Add Revised Offer, Delete Offer, and Edit Offer.
- Job Offer Components:** A table with columns for Component, Offer Amount, Currency, and Frequency. Includes an 'Add Offer Component' button.
- Offer Attachments:** A section for adding attachments, currently showing 'No attachments have been added to this offer.' Includes an 'Approval Attachments' button.
- Salary Market Analysis:** A section for salary analysis, including a 'Comments' box with 'Added By' and 'Last Updated By' fields. Includes an 'Add Another Comment' button.
- FSU Offer - Additional Info:** Fields for Employee Id (00000000), Testing Record, Job Code, Location Code, Department, Supervisor ID, Mail Code, Weekly Std Hours, U.S. Citizen?, and Empl Class. Includes a 'Pre-Mgr Approver (Optional)' field and an 'Originator Telephone' field (850/644-0855).
- FSU Funding:** A table with columns for Begin Date, Percent of Distribution, Combination Code, Funding End Date, and Total Budget Amount. Includes a 'Calc Period Amt' button.

| Step | Action |
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| 11. | <p>Click the Background Check tab.</p> <p>Background Check</p> <p>Enter a <i>detailed</i> Description of Duties for the appointment. Enter comments as needed. Confirm the Budget Manager and Budget Manager Email is correct. Enter or look up a valid Purchase Order # or enter a valid Foundation Fund # to pay for the background check. The Line # will generate based on purchase order selected.</p> |

Offer Details ?

Offer Details **Background Check** Outside Recruiting

Budget Manager

Budget Manager Email

Background Check Funding (Required)

Purchase Order # Line #

Foundation Fund #

Description of Duties/Comments

| Step | Action |
|------|---|
| 12. | <p>Answer each question on the Background Check Questionnaire; No or Yes as applicable. <u>Obtain these answers from the hiring supervisor prior to entering them.</u></p> <p>Once the questions are answered, the background level will generate at the bottom of the questionnaire.</p> <p>The background check level will be reviewed by Human Resources Background Check staff prior to approving the job offer.</p> <p>Note: For more information on background checks as it relates to Graduate Assistant appointments, click here.</p> |

Sample:

Part 1. Outside Documents to replace/satisfy FSU Background Check:

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| 1 | Is this job/role located in the FSU Childcare Center? | NO | ▼ |
| 2 | Does this job/role require a specific background check to be performed for which approved external agencies complete screenings? (e.g., DRS positions, positions in the K-12 school system, etc.) | NO | ▼ |
| 3 | If the hiring department for this job/role has been granted approval by the Office of Human Resources to perform a specific background check for all employees, select the appropriate level. If not applicable, select "NO." | NO | ▼ |
| 4 | Will this person be working or volunteering with a University Sponsored Summer Camp held between May and September? | NO | ▼ |

Part 2. Level 2 Background Check Required Duties:

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|---|--|----|---|
| 1 | Will this person be providing care, treatment, education, training, instruction, supervision, or recreation to vulnerable populations such as minors, the elderly, or those with disabilities? | NO | ▼ |
| 2 | Is the position classified as Vice President level or above by job code/administrative code? | NO | ▼ |
| 3 | Is the position with the FSU Public Safety or Panama City Campus Public Safety? If yes, submit a copy of the fingerprint report obtained by FSUPD; HR will conduct the Standard portion of the Criminal History Background Check | NO | ▼ |
| 4 | Is fingerprinting a requirement by granting agencies for grants and contracts? | NO | ▼ |
| 5 | Will this person be working or volunteering with regulated materials regardless of quantity [DHS Chemicals of Interest, DEA controlled substances, NRC Radioactive Material], or is the position located in a facility covered by a DOT Security Plan, or has unescorted access to said materials? | NO | ▼ |

Part 3. Standard Background Check Required Duties:

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|---|---|----|---|
| 1 | Will this person perform fiscal duties to include budgeting, accounting, or having direct access to cash (except petty cash), checks, and/or credit/debit cards to include making and/or receiving payments? | NO | ▼ |
| 2 | Will this person possess system access that provides the ability to process payments, print or distribute checks, process corrections, or generate, update, or approve financial transactions that will result in the disbursement of University funds? | NO | ▼ |
| 3 | Will this person have control over University-wide operational processes through functional roles or system security access? | NO | ▼ |
| 4 | Will this person have access to sensitive, secure, and/or confidential personal information on individuals, such as students, faculty, staff, or alumni (e.g., social security numbers, dates of birth, etc.)? | NO | ▼ |
| 5 | Will this person possess access to surplus property inventory; or possess a grand master or building master key and/or cards for building access? | NO | ▼ |

Part 4:

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|---|--|-----|---|
| 1 | Will this candidate/position be required to drive a University-owned motor vehicle (including golf carts and other utility vehicles) as part of their regular duties? See University Policy OP-C-7-G8 for driver's license check requirements. | NO | ▼ |
| 2 | By selecting "Yes," I confirm that the above duties have been reviewed by the position supervisor and are accurate. | YES | ▼ |

Background Check Level Code: BG00

BGC Questionnaire Results: BG00, Background Check is not required.

| Step | Action |
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| 13. | <p>Click the Outside Recruiting tab.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 10px;">Outside Recruiting</div> <p>Answer Questions 1 and 2. If “Yes” to question 1, list the external advertising sources in the box, and keep a copy of those ads in department’s recruitment records.</p> <p>For Question 2, answer "Not Applicable" for GA job offers.</p> |

1. Was the vacancy/position advertised outside of OMNI?

NO

If Yes, what were the external advertisement sources?

254 characters remaining

If Yes, the department must retain a copy in their records.

2. For salaried positions, were applications, CV's, or resumes received outside of OMNI?

Not Applicable

If Yes, ensure EEO solicitation has been completed and upload an Applicant Flow Log for all candidates on the Activities & Attachments tab of the job opening in OMNI.

| Step | Action |
|------|---|
| 14. | Click Save as Draft to save or Submit for Approval to submit the job offer. Click the OK button. |

Posting Title GA Express - Fall 2020

Job Opening Status 010 Open

Job Title OPS Express Hire

Applicant Name Testing Record

Job Opening ID 47380

Business Unit FSU Business Unit

Position Number

Applicant ID 682021

Offer Details ?

Offer Details

Background Check

Outside Recruiting

1. Was the vacancy/position advertised outside of OMNI?

NO

If Yes, what were the external advertisement sources?

254 characters remaining

If Yes, the department must retain a copy in their records.

2. For salaried positions, were applications, CV's, or resumes received outside of OMNI?

Not Applicable

If Yes, ensure EEO solicitation has been completed and upload an Applicant Flow Log for all candidates on the Activities & Attachments tab of the job opening in OMNI.

You have successfully submitted Testing Testing's job offer. (0,0)

OK

| Step | Action |
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| 15. | <p>Navigate to the Approvals tab to review the status of the job offer in the workflow.</p> <p>To insert an additional approver, click the plus sign at the desired point, ensuring that the Job Offer Express Approver is listed last.</p> <p>Next Steps: Once the job offer is final approved, HR will launch the Smart Onboarding invitation to the candidate. The candidate will receive an email with the link to complete the Onboarding process. The candidate will utilize their myFSU credentials to log in.</p> <p>The job offer initiator and Department Representative will also receive an email indicating that onboarding has been launched, what type of Onboarding package the candidate will be completing, and tips for success.</p> <p>Note: To check the status of a job offer: go to Recruiting > Search Job Openings > across from the candidate's name, click Other Actions > Recruiting Actions > Prepare/View Job Offer > Approvals tab.</p> <p>Editing an Offer: The edit offer button is only live during the draft job offer stage. If you need to change a submitted job offer, it must be denied by the approver so the originator may "add revised offer". At the add revised offer step, the data will be retained and editable. Be sure to click Calc Period Amount before clicking Submit for Approval.</p> |

Offer Details Background Check Outside Recruiting **Approvals**

FSU Job Offer Workflow

Job Offer: Pending

FSU Job Offer Workflow

Pending → Pending

FSU Job Opening Dept. Mgr. → Multiple Approvers Job Offer Express Approver

Submit

Status: Select...

Comments:

| Tips for Success: | |
|--------------------------|--|
| • | As a security measure, students will be prompted to go through two-factor authentication (2FA) via Duo once logged into their onboarding account. For more information and troubleshooting tips to share with candidates, click here . |
| • | Link appointments to the correct express pool (GA Express), and under the corresponding pool for the start date. |
| • | Enter a valid email address when creating the record (verify with candidate or supervisor). Do not use email type <i>Campus</i> or <i>Business</i> for personal email addresses. |
| • | Do not create your own GA Express opening—HR creates these pools each semester. |
| • | Do not link appointment records to non-express pools (applicants must apply for advertised openings). |
| • | Do not enter a job offer when an e-PAF can be used [e.g., funding changes, transfers to a compatible job code (such as, GA to GA), department changes, FTE changes, and reappointments/extensions]. |

Congratulations! You have completed the topic.

Questions on this procedure? Contact your [assigned Employment Recruiter](#).