Activity Codes

**Academic Support:** Support services that directly assist the academic functions of the institution.

**Applied Research:** Research conducted to gain knowledge or understanding to meet a specific, recognized need.

**Basic Research:** Research undertaken primarily to acquire new knowledge without any particular use of application in mind.

**Clinical Trial:** A clinical trial is a human subjects research study, the primary purpose of which is to assess the safety and/or efficacy in humans of a drug, device, diagnostic, treatment, preventive measure, or similar intervention through testing of the intervention on patients in a clinical setting.

**Developmental Research:** The systematic use of the knowledge or understanding gained from research directed toward the production of useful materials, devices, systems, or methods, including the design and development of prototypes and processes.

**Fellowship:** A fellowship is a short-term opportunity lasting from a few months to several years; focuses on the professional development of the fellow; and is often sponsored by a specific association or organization seeking to expand leadership in their field.

**Instruction:** Instruction is a specific instructional or training activity established by a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement. It means the teaching and training activities of an institution financed by federal, state and private agencies and organizations. Except for research training, (training of individuals in research techniques, e.g. externally-funded research training grants, that occur in the same facilities in which R&D is conducted is categorized as Research) this term includes all teaching and training activities, whether they are offered for credits toward a degree or certificate or on a non-credit basis, and whether they are offered through regular academic departments or separate divisions, such as a summer school division or an extension division. It includes activities that are part of the University’s instruction program to communicate educational content for-credit and not-for-credit courses. Examples include teaching, course and curriculum development and academic advising and development.

**Public Service:** Public Service is a specific activity supported by a grant, contract or other award type where services are being provided to populations who might not otherwise have access to those services. It is characterized as the delivery of professional (non-instructional) services to individuals and groups external to the University. Examples of public service include:

- Health service projects
- Community service projects
- Public outreach activities
- Community health clinics
- Public broadcasting services
- Museum and gallery exhibits
- Conferences, seminars and workshops
- Special events open to the public

When distinguishing between Public Service and Research, consider if the Principal Investigator would conduct the project or work without an evaluation of outcomes or any academic recognition for the project such as publication of results and/or presentation of results at an academic meeting, then the project would be categorized as Public Service.

**Student Services:** Activities that contribute to students’ emotional and physical well-being and intellectual, cultural, and social development outside the context of the formal instructional program.