









# 2018 Administrative Leadership Conference Reporting Toolbox: Tricks Behind the Tools



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#### Please...

- Silence cell phones
- Minimize side conversations
- Please, ask questions anytime
- Sign the attendance roster
- Complete and submit the evaluation at the end of the workshop



# Workshop Objectives

- Provide glance at Mobius View
- Show additional features of financial tools
- Share tool safety tips
- Provide resources for more complex tricks



### **Owner's Manuals**

- ViewDirect—Mobius View
- My-UI-Financials
- EDDIE
- Web Intelligence



#### **VIEWDIRECT NOW MOBIUS VIEW**



### ViewDirect now Mobius View

- April 29<sup>th</sup>
- Basic Navigation
- Printing and Downloading
- Recommended Browsers



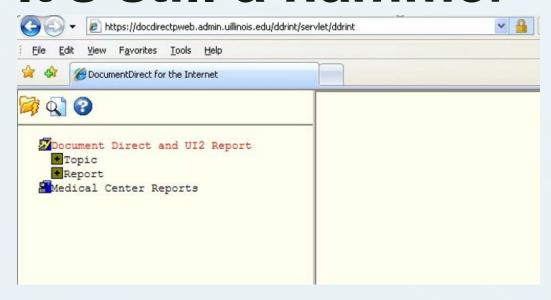




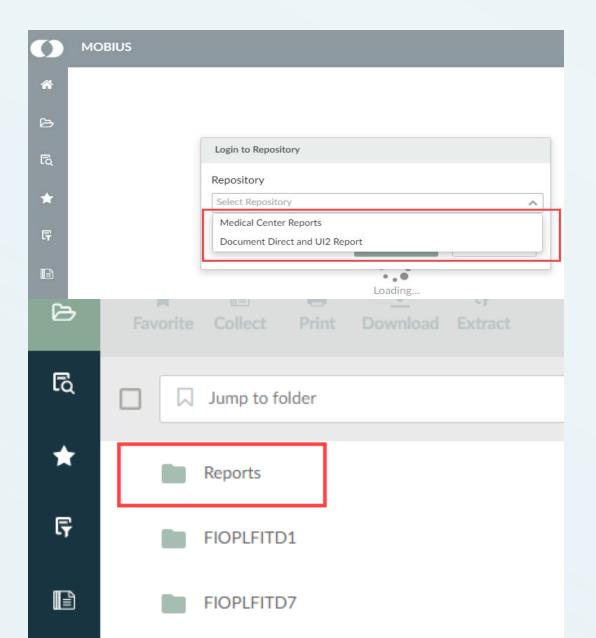




### It's still a hammer

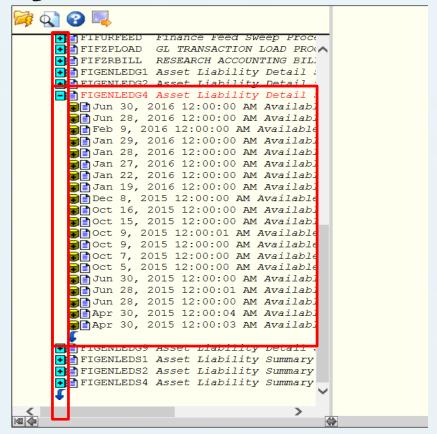


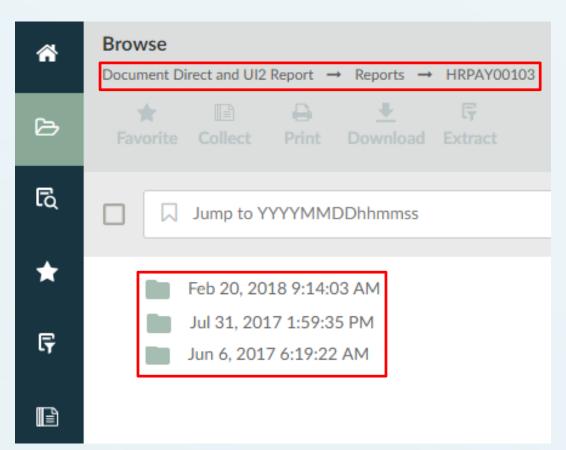
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- Click Report





# Easy to use folders



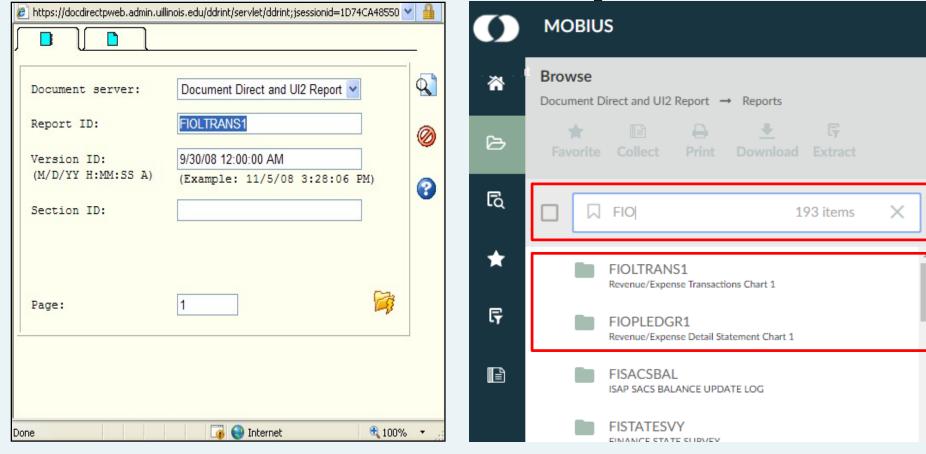


**Breadcrumb Navigation** 





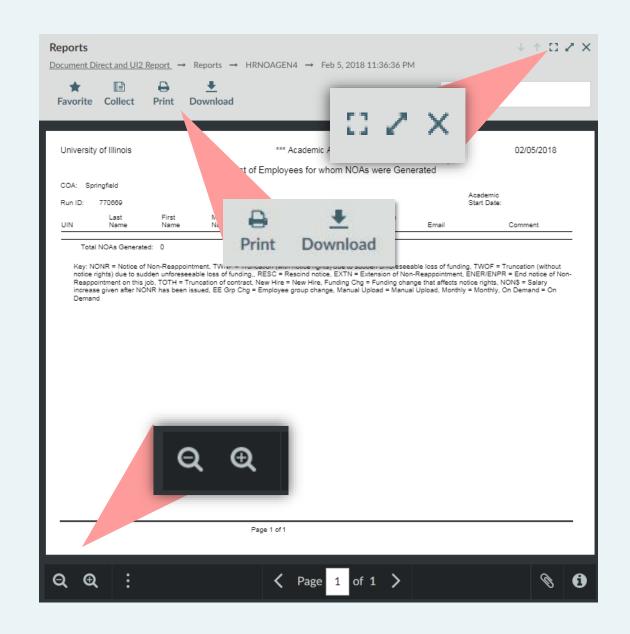
Locate Button/Jump to folder



Jump to...folder, date, Organization/Fund you want



- Zoom
- Full Screen
- Expand
- Print
- Download

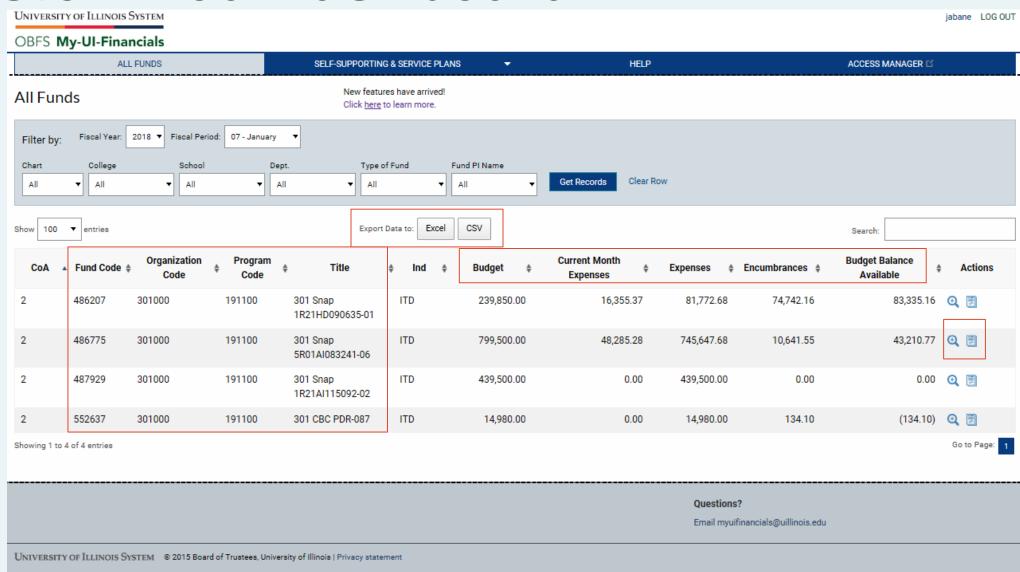




### **QUICK TRICKS IN MY-UI-FINANCIALS**



### **Customized Dashboard**



### **Report Lists**

#### Select a Report to Open

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Report links will open in a new window.

- Revenue Expense Statements
- Revenue Expense Statements
   Inception to Date
- Revenue Expense Transactions
- Payroll Expense by Person Month End
- Encumbrance Balances
- Payroll Encumbrance by Person Month End
- Payroll Encumbrance by Person
   MYE Year End
- Revenue Expense YTD
   Transactions by Account and
   Period

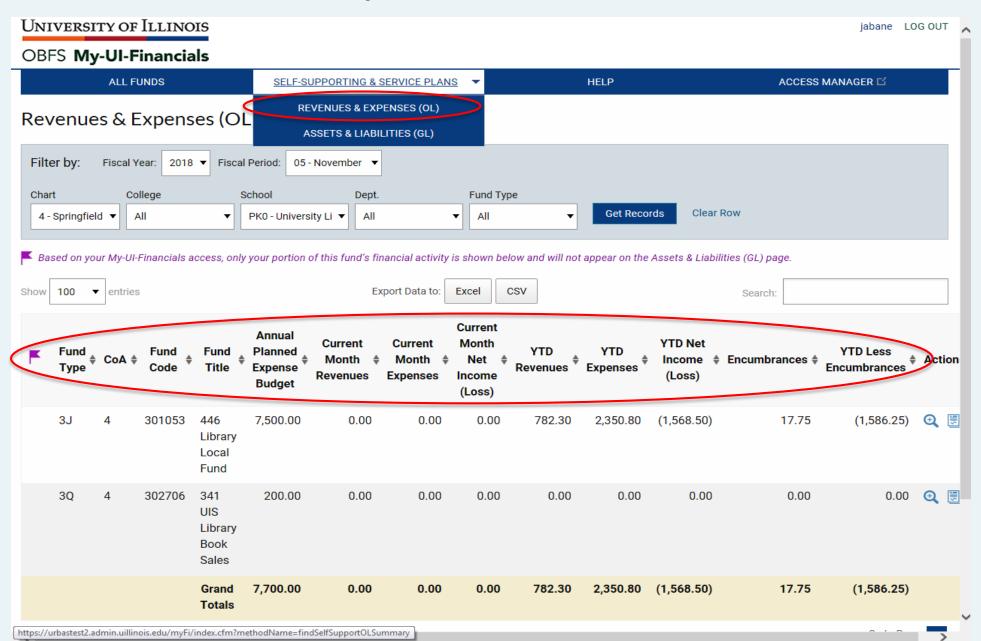
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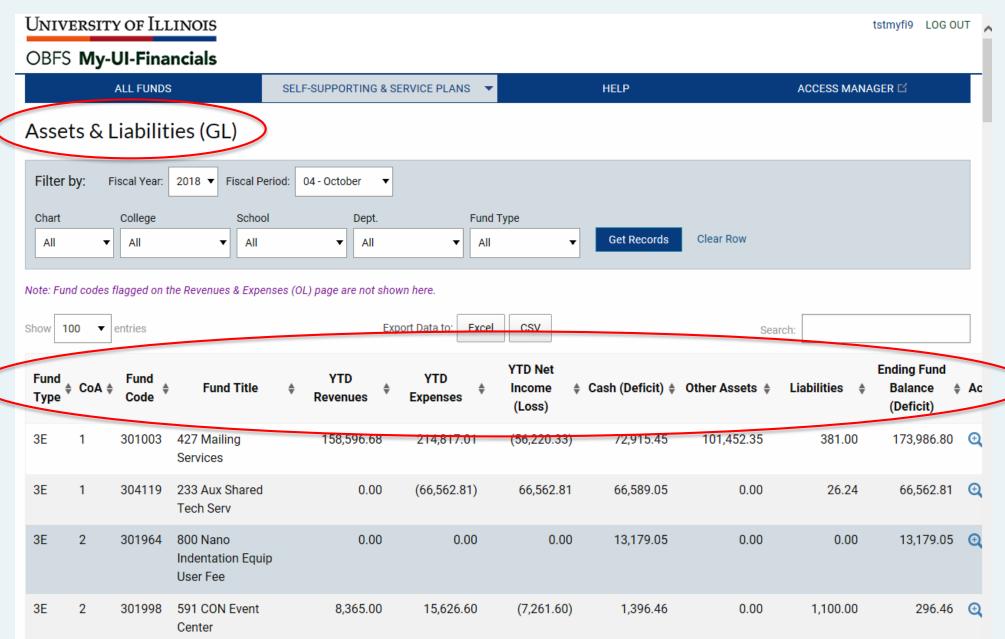
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- Asset Liability Statements
- Asset Liability Transactions



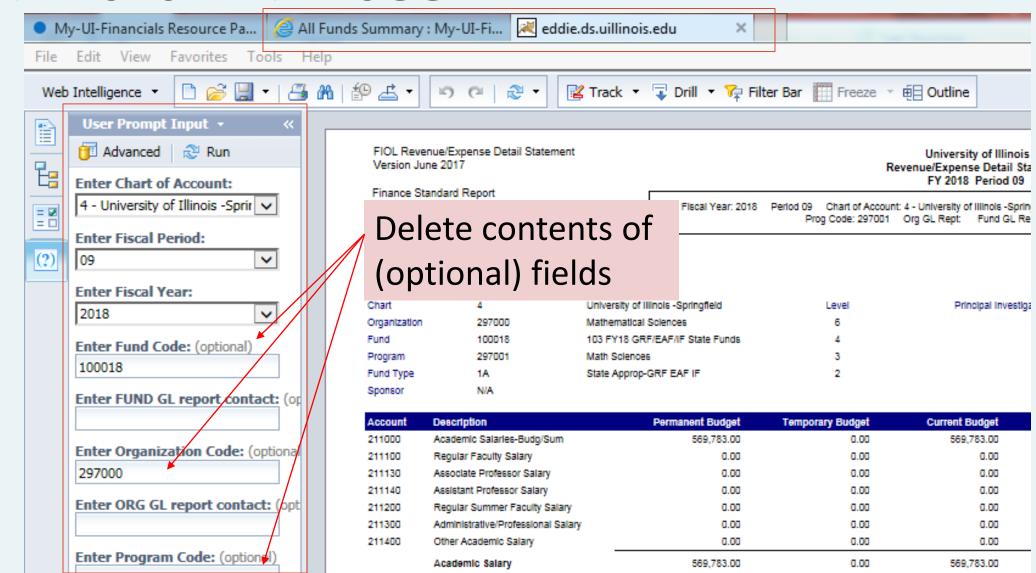


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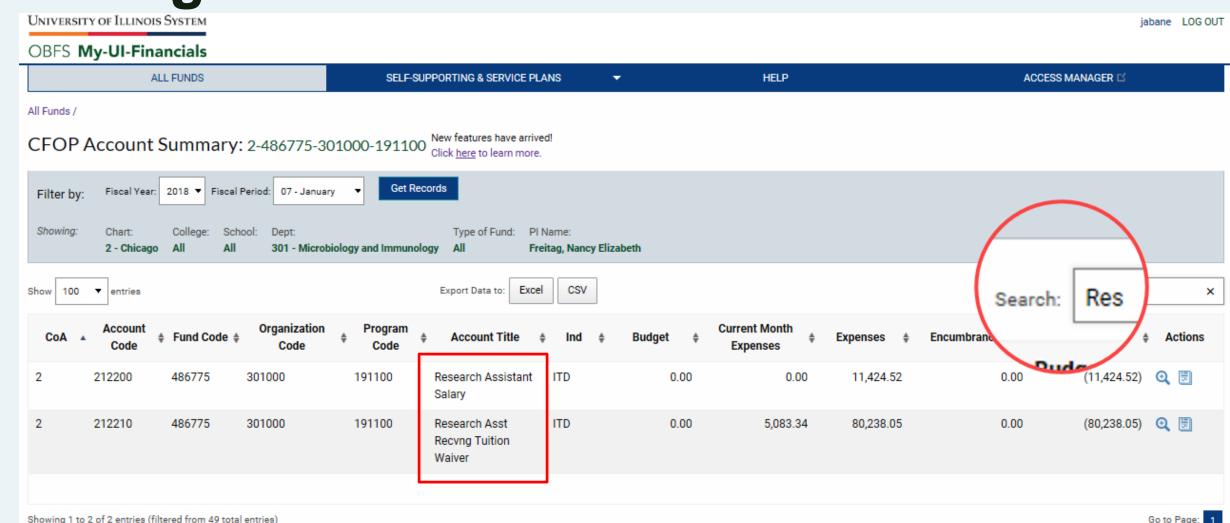


### Get more with less



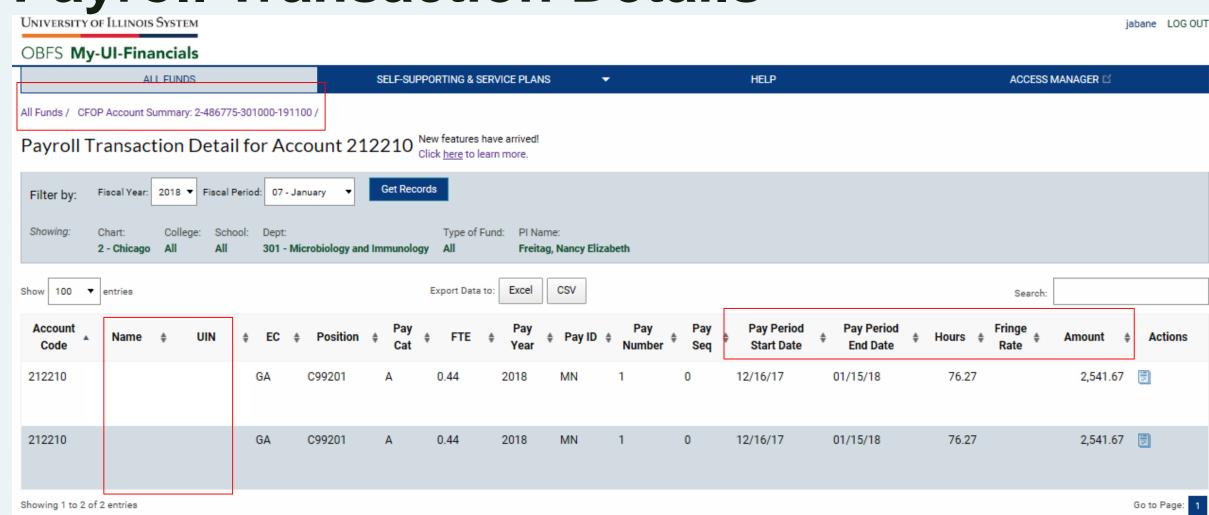


### Manage the Dashboard data





### **Payroll Transaction Details**



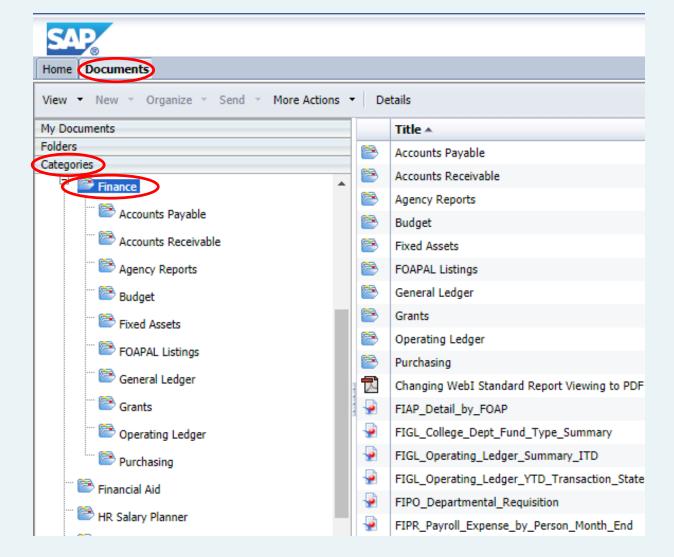


# EFFECTIVE USE OF FINANCE STANDARD REPORTS



### **Standard Reports in EDDIE**

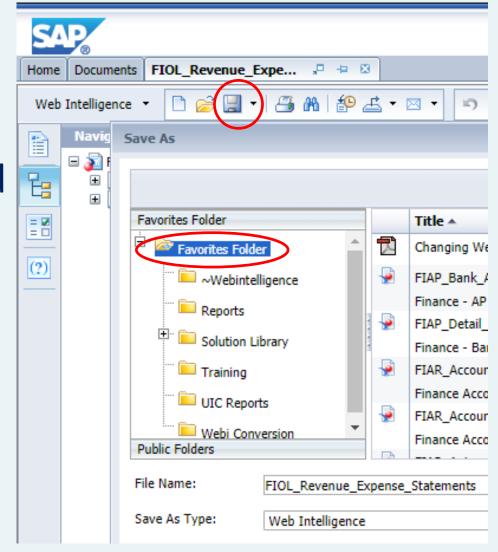
 Reports are easily located by selecting Documents, Categories and then Finance





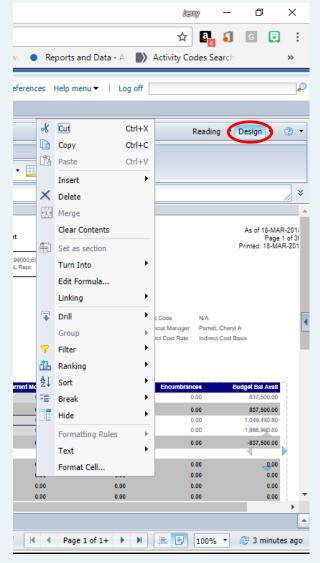
# Standard Reports can be saved

- Choose Save as and save in Favorites Folder
- Prompt values can be saved eliminating the need to reenter every time
- May create folders within Favorites and rename reports



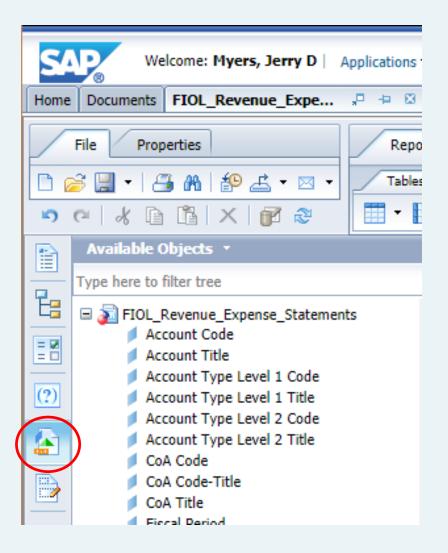


- Select Design in the top right of the report to modify
- Right clicking on a field brings up a menu that allows for filtering



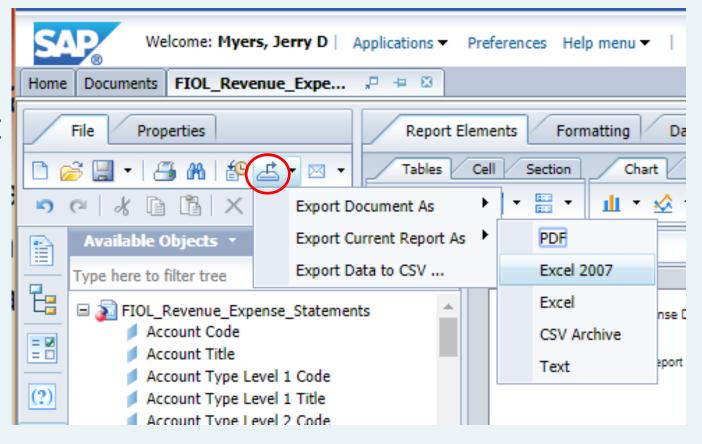


- Select Available Objects to add fields by dragging and dropping.
- Right clicking on a bottom tab allows one to create their own reports.





 Creating you own report can be an efficient way to export data to Excel





 Standard reports can be updated. This does not update a saved report.
 Occasionally check to see if reports have been updated by checking top left of report.

FIOL Revenue/Expense Detail Statement Version June 2017

Finance Standard Report



# Standard Reports can be scheduled

- Instructions
  - https://www.aits.uillinois.edu/UserFiles/Servers/Server\_474/File/DS/Busines
     s%20Objects/Scheduling%20Reports.pdf
- Advantages
  - Scheduled reports can be run at anytime and delivered to multiple emails as pdfs or Excel documents.



#### WEB INTELLIGENCE AS A POWER USER



### **Finance Power User**

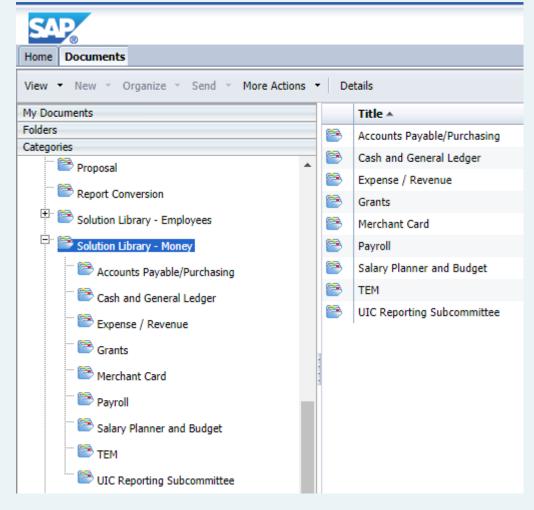
- Access is separate from Standard Report Refresher (USC must use AITS Security Application for Report Refresher and DS Security Application for Power User)
- Additional access allows users to download the desktop version of Web Intelligence, access to Solution Library reports, create ad hoc reports and greater ability to alter existing reports.



# Solutions Library – Money

https://www.aits.uillinois.edu/services/reports\_and\_data/reports/solution\_library/

 These reports have many origins including user created, often requested and other sources. Many Salary Planner and Budget reports were created by Planning and Budgeting





#### Time savers

- Why reinvent the wheel?
  - Using existing reports already has necessary logic built into the query filter a report including:
    - Filter specific Fund or Account Types
    - Combining, merging and creating variables for multiple universes
    - Formatting for better display
  - Decision on best universe has already been made
    - There are several and often redundant universes in the warehouse
    - Staring with the source that has all the data needed saves time
  - Newer Standard Reports can be modified as well
    - My-UI-Financial reports written on newer data sources



# Saving and Sharing reports

- Reports can be saved to network drives, including shared drives as well as EDDIE (chiboeserv3)
- If saved correctly, reports can be sent through email. Reports can be sent through EDDIE InBox as well.

Open a document	
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# **Business Object-Best Practice**

- Operating Ledger Reporting and General Ledger Reporting universes are newer data sources that perform better and contain a great deal of information including grant expenditure data
- Work from a copy of a report and save often
- Brower vs desktop version. To import Excel, desktop must be used. Browser version allows for multiple reports being open at the same time.
- EDW HRFIN BOS Expenses (Detail\_Monthly\_Expense) is operating ledger expense information including breakdowns by employee for reimbursement and payroll information.

Run Queries \*



# **Business Object-Best Practice**

- In Query panel, you can only run specific queries and apply changes \_\_\_\_\_
   and save without running to save time.
- Caveat When creating or modifying a report, check numbers against existing standard reports or Banner.
   Inconsistent values are an indication of faulty logic versus incorrect data



# **Workshop Summary**

- In-depth look at financial tools
- Time saving tricks
- Expand your tool box options
- Safety tips when using power tools



#### Resources

- OBFS main site
  - <a href="https://www.obfs.uillinois.edu/">https://www.obfs.uillinois.edu/</a>
- OBFS Training Center
  - https://www.obfs.uillinois.edu/training/materials/accounting/
- Decision Support
  - https://www.aits.uillinois.edu/services/reports\_and\_data
- Decision Support Training
  - https://www.aits.uillinois.edu/services/reports\_and\_data/help\_and\_training/t raining/



#### Resources

- OBFS UIC Reporting Subcommittee
  - https://intranet.uillinois.edu/sites/OBFSReporting/SitePages/Home.aspx
- Banner 9 Updates
  - https://www.aits.uillinois.edu/services/banner\_and\_banner\_related\_systems/banner\_9\_upgrade
- My-UI-Financials Resource Page
  - <a href="https://www.obfs.uillinois.edu/my-ui-financials/">https://www.obfs.uillinois.edu/my-ui-financials/</a>
- AITS Solutions Library-Finance
  - https://www.aits.uillinois.edu/services/reports\_and\_data/reports/solution\_library/fin\_ance/



### **Questions / Concerns?**