## PPS Preparers and Reviewers:

The memo below is being sent to the PPS listserv. Thank you for serving as one of the representatives for your department to receive this memo. Please distribute this message to the colleagues in your department.

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August 6, 2018

TO: Campus Community

FR: Cynthia Señeriz, Director, Human Resources

# RE: Update to Merit Program Administration Instructions for Non-Represented (Policy-Covered) Staff (FY 2018-19)

The Final Merit Roster is now available for departmental review and input. Please review the instructions below for updated information on "Balancing to the Merit Fund Pool."

## Phase 2: Final Merit Roster Review and Input (Monday, August 6th through Friday, August 10th at Noon)

- 1. The Freeze Period for PPS commenced Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at noon through Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m.
  - Avoid updates in PPS during the freeze period that would change the appointment or distribution lines for an employee receiving a merit increase.
- 2. The final roster is available for:
  - Departmental review and input at 8am on Monday, August 6<sup>th</sup> through noon on Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - <u>Control Point review and input</u> from noon on Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> through noon on Friday, August 10<sup>th</sup>.
- 3. No data corrections can be made to the final merit roster in Web Merit.
- 4. The Web Merit system allows the roster to be downloaded in an Excel format for review outside the Web Merit system.
- 5. Enter the most recent performance evaluation rating for each eligible employee in your department. The table set forth below indicates the correct performance evaluation ratings and corresponding definitions to use versus the incorrect ratings and definitions that appear in Web Merit.

Performance Rating	UCSB Performance Evaluation Rating Definitions	Web Merit Rating Definitions  *** INCORRECT - DISREGARD ***
Х	No performance evaluation conducted	No Performance Evaluation Conducted
1	Exceptional	Fails to Meet, Unsatisfactory

2	Exceeds Expectations	Partially meets, Improvement Needed
3	Fully Meets Expectations/Solid Performance	Meets Expectation, Satisfactory
4	Improvement needed	Exceeds expectations, More than Satisfactory
5	Consistently below expectations	Superior, Outstanding

- 6. Enter the merit percentage for each employee and Web Merit will auto calculate the new pay rate.
- 7. All salaries after the merit increase must fall within the new salary range (e.g. no increase is to result in the final salary exceeding the range maximum and no salary is to fall below the range minimum).
- 8. The Career Tracks Salary Grade Ranges (effective May 1, 2018) can be found on the HR/Compensation webpage at <a href="https://www.hr.ucsb.edu/compensation/salary-scales">https://www.hr.ucsb.edu/compensation/salary-scales</a>, under the "Useful Links" box.
- 9. For departments with multiple pages of the roster, please save all entries on each page prior to moving to the next page.
- 10. Web Merit does not work with Internet Explorer 10 or higher. Please use Firefox, Chrome or another browser for the Web Merit entry.

## Phase 3: Verify Updates to the EDB (Monday, August 13th)

- 1. The EDB update in PPS will be run the evening of **Friday**, **August 10**<sup>th</sup>.
- 2. **On Monday, August 13th**, verify that the merit increase was updated correctly in the EDB for eligible non-represented staff.

## **Balancing to the Merit Fund Pool**

The merit fund pool will be calculated at 3% of the payroll base of career non-represented staff, on pay status or approved leave, as of July 1, 2018. Ineligible non-represented career staff will appear on the merit roster if hired on or after January 3 and through May 1, 2018. In these instances, the Performance Rating should be entered as "X" (no performance evaluation conducted), an Evaluation Date entered as "06/18," and a Percent Increase entered as "0" (zero). The sum of all salary increases must not exceed the merit fund pool. In addition to ensuring the sum of all salary increases do not exceed the merit fund pool, the 3% control figure for "Core" funds cannot be exceeded. The control figure for "Non-Core" funds can be exceeded, however this would require a decrease in the amount of Core funds to be used since the sum of all salary increases cannot exceed the 3% merit fund pool calculation.

### **Omissions from the Final Roster**

Errors or omissions on the final roster that require the merit increase to be processed outside of the Web Merit system require consultation with Human Resources. Specific questions concerning the processing of the merit increase outside of the Web Merit system should be directed to Amy Arnold, Senior Human Resources Analyst (email at amy.arnold@hr.ucsb.edu or phone extension 4068).

### **Performance Evaluation Audit**

This year's Merit Program will require the submission of completed performance evaluations for audit purposes. An electronic copy of the signed performance evaluation form for all career non-represented staff receiving a merit increase will need to be submitted *via an email drop box* using the following steps:

- 1. Scan each signed performance evaluation <u>individually</u> and save as a PDF with a unique document name that includes the LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, and DEPT CODE (e.g. "SMITH JOHN CHEM")
- 2. Attach the PDF copy of the signed performance evaluation to an email message
- 3. Enter the DEPARTMENT NAME and EMPLOYEE NAME on the email subject line (e.g. "CHEM JOHN SMITH")
  - o If attaching multiple PDF documents to a single email message, enter "MULTIPLE" on the email subject line and list the employee names in the body of the email message
  - O PLEASE DO NOT SCAN MULTIPLE EVALUATIONS INTO ONE PDF DOCUMENT
- 4. Send your emails to: <a href="mailto:smo-ucsbeval@ucsbconnect.onmicrosoft.com">SMO-ucsbeval@ucsbconnect.onmicrosoft.com</a> (this is a secured site that has been set up for HR to receive and store electronic copies of the performance evaluations)

The deadline for the submission of the signed evaluation forms is Friday, August 31, 2018.

## **Additional Questions:**

#### Please contact:

Amy Arnold, Senior Human Resources Analyst: extension 4068, or email at <a href="mailto:amy.arnold@hr.ucsb.edu">amy.arnold@hr.ucsb.edu</a> Kathy Moore, Compensation Manager: extension 7137, or email at <a href="mailto:kathy.moore@hr.ucsb.edu">kathy.moore@hr.ucsb.edu</a>

#### **Calendar:**

Important Dates	Action	Comments
Tuesday, 7/31/2018 to Friday, 8/3/2018 at noon	Departments review Preliminary Roster and make data corrections as needed in PPS	No data entry in Web Merit
Friday, 8/3/2018 at noon to Saturday, 8/11/2018 8:00 a.m.	PPS <b>FREEZE</b> in effect	
Monday, 8/6/2018 to Wednesday, 8/8/2018 at noon	Final merit roster open to Departments to enter ratings and merit increases in Web Merit	Do not make changes in PPS for employees receiving a merit increase
Wednesday, 8/8/2018 at noon to Friday, 8/10/2018 at noon	Final merit roster open to Control Points to review and edit	
Friday, 8/10/2018 at noon to Friday, 8/10/2018 at 3:00 p.m.	Final merit roster closes to departments and Control Points and opens for final HR review	
Friday, 8/10/2018 – Evening	Roster updates uploaded to PPS	

Saturday, 8/11/2018 at 8:00 a.m.	PPS <b>FREEZE</b> ends	
Monday, 8/13/2018	Departments review and verify EDB Updates	
Wednesday, 8/22/2018	Merit pay date for BW paid employees	Retroactive pay period is July 1 through July 28, 2018.
Friday, 8/31/2018	Due date to submit a PDF copy of the signed completed performance evaluation forms	Instructions contained in memo above
Friday, 8/31/2018	Merit pay date for MO paid employees	Retroactive pay period is July 1 through July 31, 2018