## **IMPROVING THE TFAC HIRING PROCESS IN ARTS AND SCIENCES**

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## PURPOSE

- Streamline the process by which Arts and Sciences approves the hiring of approximately 1,300 temporary faculty each year
- Impacts HR, Budget, faculty credentialing, enrollment management, and unit hiring practices/timelines in the College

#### WHY?

- Bottleneck in approvals leading to late hires
- Need for accurate data
- Limitations of software
- Reduce time spent on duplication, loopbacks, and corrections



### **PEOPLE INVOLVED**

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### **PROJECT PATH**



Make it visible!

Collect data

Identify inefficiencies and brainstorm solutions





Visuals, training and beta testing

Process that eliminates current problems





### **KEY IMPROVEMENTS**



Units will receive approval to hire TFAC without need to submit a form.



Data to be university-generated, rather than manually input, reducing inaccuracies.



Approval months earlier than current process.



#### RESULTS

- ✓ Projected immediate decline in late TFAC hires
- ✓ Accurate data for budget reconciliation
- ✓ Reduction in loopbacks and duplication
- Central shared location for data
- ✓ Time given back to departments





### **NEXT STEPS**



- ✓ Visuals and training materials for new process
- ✓ Beta testing in summer and fall with select group of departments

✓ Full implementation by spring 2025



#### REFLECTIONS



Trust the process!
Seek first to understand...
Revisit your goals often
Your ideal future state can be a reality



# THANKS!

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