



Introduction to the Grand Unified System (GUS)

General

GUS is a custom database system for managing and maintaining funding source, purchasing, lien, and other essential financial and personnel information for many departments and research organizations across the UCSB campus.

Managing intramural and extramural funding, expense tracking, reconciliation and other administrative data can be very tedious and time consuming. The primary goal of the GUS development team is to simplify these and other complex and detailed administration operations, while minimizing errors and reducing the frustrations normally associated with these essential tasks.

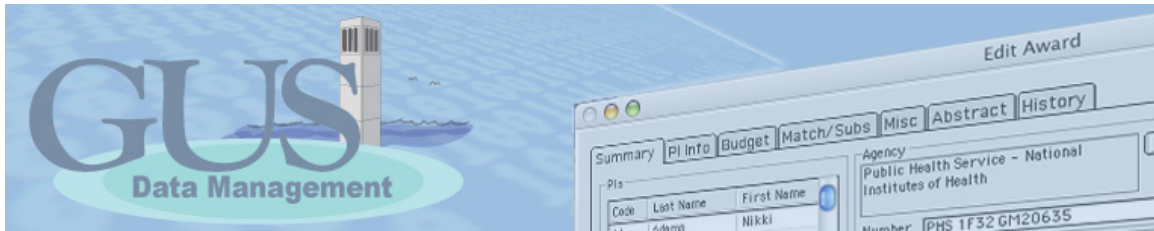
Originally funded by the Marine Science Institute, as well as the Chemistry and Biochemistry departments, it is now supported by the Executive Vice Chancellor's office and is maintained by the GUS Executive Committee and Support Staff. It is available to all departments and ORUs at UCSB free of charge, however, low-cost 4D server and client licenses are required. For additional details and requirements, or to set up a meeting to get started, contact GUS support staff or visit <http://gus.ucsb.edu>.

Reasons to use GUS

Major benefits include:

- Reduced data entry – type data only once
- Fewer typos – reuse stored data
- Automated tasks save many hours of work
- GUS is used and supported online and all over campus

Built using cross-platform 4D programming tools, GUS runs on both PC and Mac equipment. GUS is fully client-server capable, allowing access for multiple users at the same time. It is also available in stand-alone, single-user format.



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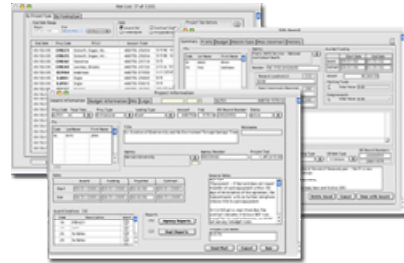
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Built-in Modules

GUS includes a number of modules to help manage a wide variety of project accounting and other essential administration tasks, such as:

- Contracts and Grants
- Overhead
- Purchasing
- Recharges
- Auto-reconciliation
- Fiscal Year-end
- Personnel
- Monthly and Custom Reports
- Automated Emails and more



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