

May 19, 2010

To: Chancellor Martin

Chancellor Richardson

Executive Director Bouchard

Deans, Directors, and Department Heads

Re: Fringe Benefit Rates Applied to Sponsored Projects during FY 2010-11

Fringe benefits rates have been established for next fiscal year pursuant to the requirements of the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-21, "Cost Principles for Educational Institutions." The rates effective for July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 are as follows:

Louisiana State University, including the Pennington Biomedical Research Center

Regular employees	33.00%
Contingent labor/transients (object 1220/1250)	7.65%
Non-student employees with "F" or "J" visa* (object 1100)	0.00%

LSU Agricultural Center

Regular employees	36.00%
Federal employees	28.00%
Contingent labor/transients (object 1220/1250)	7.65%
Non-student employees with "F" or "J" visa (object 1100)	0.00%

The rates indicated above apply to both new and existing sponsored program accounts – including gifts and expired fixed price agreements. Effective immediately, these rates also apply to new proposals and requests for new, supplemental funding to existing awards. The new rate for LSU regular employees is less than last year's rate (34%); consequently, a portion of the fringe benefits budgeted in ongoing projects will be available for rebudgeting when the new rate is applied effective July, 1, 2010. Please note that policies of the LSU Agricultural Center do not currently provide for annual increases in the fringe benefit rate for existing sponsored program accounts.

If clarification or additional information is needed, please contact Jim Bates, LSU (578-2760); Mark Legendre, Ag Center (578-4164); or Mark Alise, PBRC (763-2571).

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*excluding PBRC (rate is 33.00%)

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