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How to review your budget in KeanWise

KeanWise Project Accounting Quick Guide

Office of Research & Sponsored Program

The Big Picture

"In Ellucian Project Accounting, each grant or project budget is divided into categories so we can track how the money is being used, meet sponsor requirements, and stay within the approved spending plan."

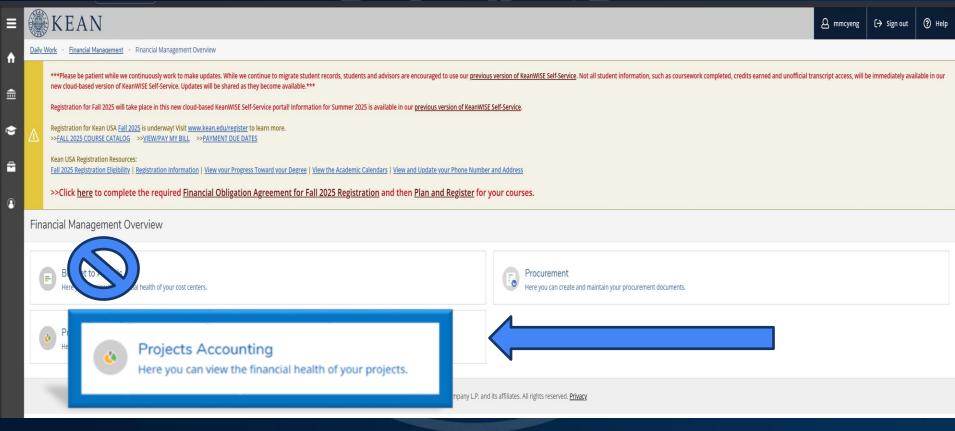
KeanWise Link to Project Accounting

To view your current budget information you MUST use this KeanWise link: https://kean-ss.colleague.elluciancloud.com/Student/ColleagueFinance?hideProxyDialog=false
MUST KNOW PROJECT ID

To view legacy data use the old KeanWise link for FY 25: https://selfservice.kean.edu/Student/ColleagueFinance?hideProxyDialog=false MUST USE OLD GL

All other FY data contact postaward@kean.edu with the subject line: Legacy Data Request

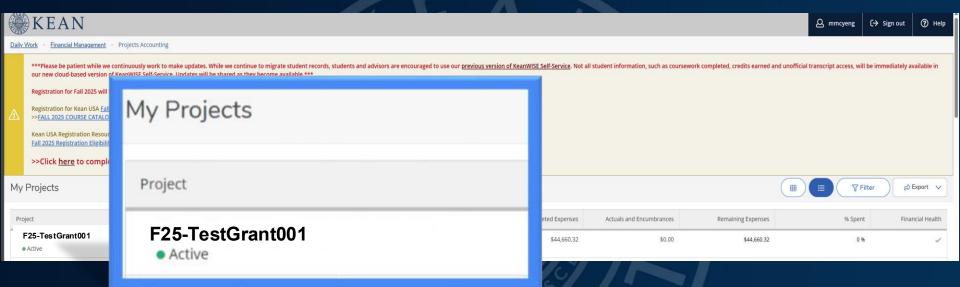
From the KeanWise home page, click the "Projects Accounting" tab.





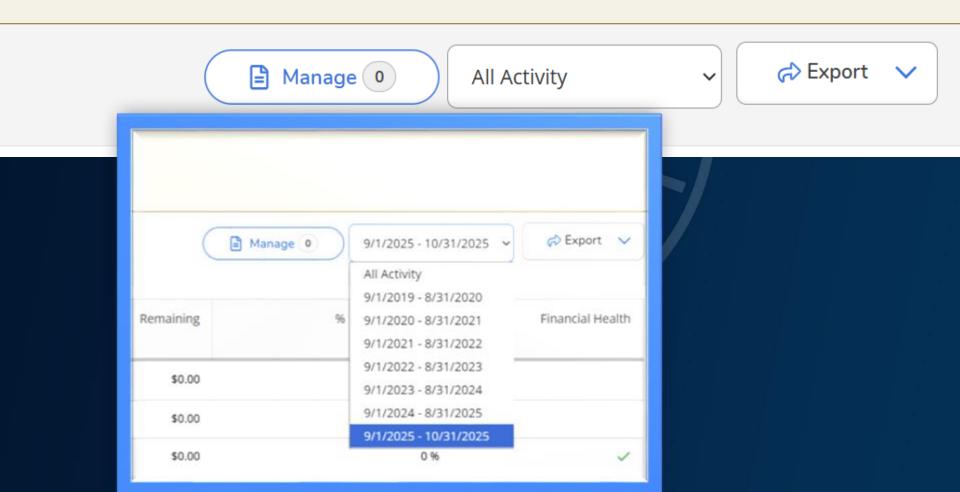
DO NOT, click the "Budget to Actuals" tab. You will not see the correct budget information

Click on your Project ID



Once you click on your project ID, your project will open.

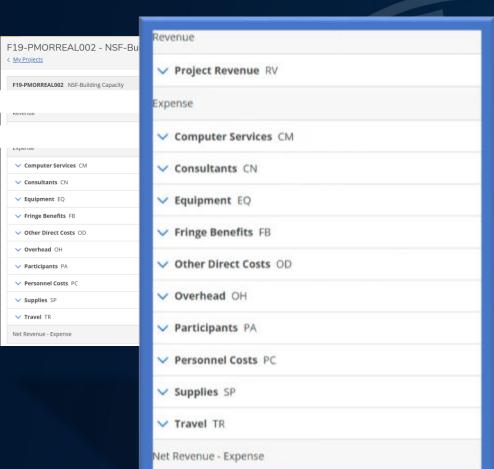
In the upper right of your screen, use **the drop-down** options titled **"All Activity"**. Click on the drop-down arrow to **select** the **Project Period**.

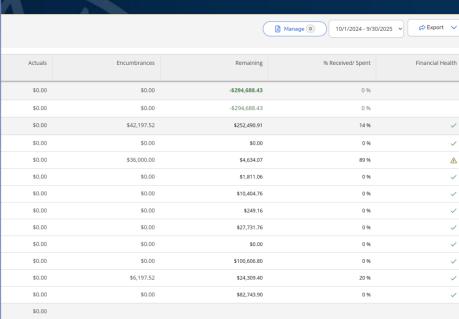


After selecting your project period, you will be able to view your budget, actuals, encumbrances, and remaining balance.

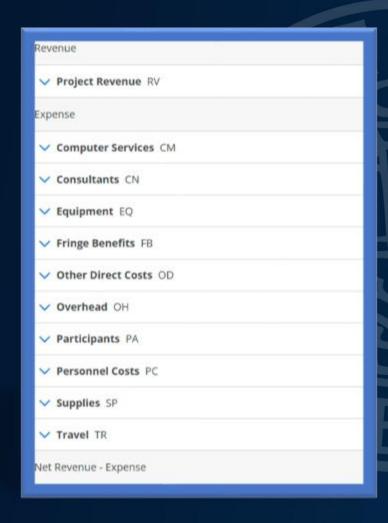
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< <u>My Projects</u>						
	Budget	Actuals	Encumbrances	Remaining	% Received/ Spent	Financial Health
Active #						
Revenue	-\$294,688.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$294,688.43	0 %	
∨ Project Revenue RV	-\$294,688.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$294,688.43	0 %	
Expense	\$294,688.43	\$0.00	\$42,197.52	\$252,490.91	14 %	~
✓ Computer Services CM	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 %	~
✓ Consultants CN	\$40,634.07	\$0.00	\$36,000.00	\$4,634.07	89 %	A
✓ Equipment EQ	\$1,811.06	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,811.06	0 %	~
∨ Fringe Benefits FB	\$10,404.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,404.76	0 %	~
∨ Other Direct Costs ○D	\$249.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$249.16	0 %	~
∨ Overhead OH	\$27,731.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$27,731.76	0 %	~
∨ Participants PA	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0 %	~
✓ Personnel Costs PC	\$100,606.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,606.80	0 %	~
✓ Supplies SP	\$30,506.92	\$0.00	\$6,197.52	\$24,309.40	20 %	~
✓ Travel TR	\$82,743.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$82,743.90	0 %	~
Net Revenue - Expense	-\$589,376.86	\$0.00				

Project Accounting uses budget expense categories.





"Budget Categories" in Simple Terms



What they are:

Think of budget categories as "**spending buckets**"—groups that show where the money is going.

Why they exist:

Sponsors (like federal agencies, the state, or foundations) require that money be spent only in approved categories. Moving money between categories may need permission. This setup automatically limits the need for requesting budge

Common Categories

Budget Category	What It Covers	Example		
Salaries & Wages	Pay for people working on the project	PI's summer salary, research assistant wages		
Fringe Benefits	Benefits tied to salaries	Health insurance, retirement contributions		
Travel	Project-related travel costs	Conference registration, airfare, mileage		
Equipment	Large, long-term items (often \$5,000+ and >1 yr use)	Lab equipment, specialized software		
Supplies & Materials	Smaller consumable items	Printer ink, lab reagents, office supplies		
Contractual / Consultants	Paying outside experts or services	Data analysis consultant, guest speaker fee		
Participant Support	Costs for people in the program/study	Student stipends, participant travel		
Indirect Costs (F&A)	Overhead/administrative costs	Facility costs, utilities, administrative support		

How It Appears in KeanWise

XX-XXXXXX-83200 Sample grant-GRANTS-IN-AID

In KeanWise, these categories may show up with object codes (like 51120 for salaries and 50300 for travel).

Each category is tied to budget vs. actual columns—this lets you see:

- **Budget:** What was planned (Total amount of all object codes in that category)
- **Encumbrances:** What's been committed but not yet spent
- **Actuals:** What's already been spent
- **Remaining Balance:** What's left in that entire category bucket.

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F25-TestGrant00	1	Budget	Actuals	Encumbrances	Remaining	% Received/Spent	Financial Health	
Revenue		-\$805,182.31	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$805,182.31	0 %		
∨ Project Revenue RV		-\$805,182.31	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$805,182.31	0 %		
Expense		\$805,182.31	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$805,182.31	0 %	✓	
^ Consultants CN		\$156,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$156,500.00	0 %	✓	
XX-XXXXXX-50360 S	sample grant- Professional Services		\$0.00	\$0.00				
↑ Fringe Benefits FB		\$4,778.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,778.47	0 %	✓	
XX-XXXXXX-52190 S	ample grant-FICA EXPEND		\$0.00	\$0.00				
↑ Other Direct Costs OD		\$102.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$102.26	0 %	✓	
XX-XXXXXX-50380 S	Sample grant- RECEPPTION (FOOD ON	LY)	\$0.00	\$0.00				
XX-XXXXXX-53180 S	sample grant-STDT TUT-FEE WAIVER		\$0.00	\$0.00				
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Budget Amendment Rules

Even with good planning and Project Accounting's setup, sometimes you may need to request a budget amendment.

O Contact <u>post-award@kean.edu</u> for the budget amendment request form. Use the subject line: Request Budget Amendment.

The reason we document budget amendment request:

- You cannot freely shift funds between categories without approval (depending on sponsor rules).
- Overspending in one category doesn't mean you can "borrow" from another without permission.
- Accurate category tracking helps with final financial reports.

Limiting Budget Amendments: Why It Matters

"Breaking down costs into budget categories helps us stay compliant with the sponsor's rules, avoid audit issues, and make sure we're using the funds exactly as promised in the grant proposal."

For any questions, please feel free to contact at:

Email: postaward@kean.edu

ORSP staff are available

Monday – Friday

9:00am-5:00pm

Thank You!