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Dear Colleagues,

The University of Virginia has embarked on an effort to replace its homegrown research administration system, ResearchUVA, with the industry standard Software as a Service (SaaS) Huron Grants and Agreements. The system will be known as ResearchUVA Powered by Huron and will launch in late April 2022. The ResearchUVA Powered by Huron project is sponsored by the Office of the Vice President for Research, and UVA stakeholders have been engaged since the project's inception. Today's newsletter features 5 things to know about overall system functionality.

At go-live, ResearchUVA Powered by Huron will contain two modules: the Grants module to develop, route, and submit proposals, as well as manage awards and award modifications; and the Agreements module to create and execute negotiated funded and non-funded agreements, including outgoing subawards.

Some highlights of the modules:

1. **Proposal development tools**, including an in-system budget creator, that can save multiple iterations and utilize real time personnel and salary information. If the proposal is being submitted to Grants.gov, the system can submit directly and ensure it will pass validations.
2. **Integrated correspondence, both internal and external**, keeping communications in the system and out of email inboxes.
3. **Facilitate collaboration** via creation of a Study Team whose members can work together on the proposal regardless of UVA departmental/school affiliation.
4. **Enhanced ability to see the "big picture"** by connecting proposals, awards and agreements together as related activities, and linking them to University programs and investments using tags.
5. **Substantial data collection**. The ResearchUVA Powered by Huron system captures an enormous amount of data, much of which is new for UVA sponsored programs. As such, there will be a new sponsored programs data warehouse, which will improve reporting for various institutional, unit level, and individual needs.

Our next newsletter will provide more details on the Grants module Funding Proposal functionality.

Stay tuned for more details on the ResearchUVA Powered by Huron website this month! We are developing a website to serve as the central source for information and resources related to ResearchUVA Powered by Huron, and OSP will be issuing frequent communications to highlight the benefits and improved functionality of the new system.

Please send any questions or comments you may have to [ruva\\_huron\\_help@virginia.edu](mailto:ruva_huron_help@virginia.edu).

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