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NEW BUDGET DEVELOPMENT TOOL NOW AVAILABLE

A new Office of Research Budget Development Tool (dated August 4, 2016) is now available to support the development of budgets for extramurally-funded projects. This new Budget Development Tool contains two very important updates:

- A new warning message will now appear within the Budget Development Tool for post-doc salaries that are below $47,476 annually or $38,845 per academic year. Once an annual or academic year salary for a post-doc is correctly entered into the first budget period (i.e., a salary amount that is equal to or exceeds $47,476 or $38,845 depending on the period), the warning message will disappear.
- The Budget Development Tool has been updated to correctly calculate the “flat rate” tuition charges for graduate assistants beginning in Fall 2017. Tuition charges for graduate assistants will be $8,400 for academic and annual appointments and $4,200 for single-semester appointments.

Additional details and information related to the changes in post-doc salaries and graduate assistant tuition is available on the Office of Research website. For those working with principal investigators to develop extramural project budgets, please be certain to download and use the most recent version of the Budget Development Tool.

For questions related to these changes or the use of the new Budget Development Tool, please contact your Pre-Award Specialist.