Financial Reconciliation and Reporting for
Credit/Debit Payment Card Sales Transactions

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Learning Objectives

• Identify the University business systems available to locate credit/debit card sales (revenue) settlement transactions.
• Recognize where to locate credit/debit card sales transactions.
• Explain how to reconcile credit/debit card sales using Banner queries and University monthly reports.
Monthly Reporting Systems

- Banner –Finance Forms (see reference guide)
- View Direct-Fund-Monthly Transactional Activity Statements
- EDDIE-Fund-Monthly Transaction Activity Statements

- Describe the University's Electronic Data Warehouse (EDW) EDDIE Finance Universe-Merchant Card Trans query reports.
  - EDW-EDDIE-Finance Universe
    - [Merchant Card Trans iPay](#) (University Payment Gateway-Online)
    - [Merchant Card Trans GlobalPayments](#) (Terminal/POS)

- Locate Merchant Card Services Policy and Procedures Sec. 21-Reconcile Credit/Debit Payment Card Transactions.

Documents-Financial Reconciliation and Reporting

- [Reference guide](#)
  - Credit/Debit Payment Card Transactions and Banner Finance Forms

- [Job Aid](#)
  - Credit/Debit Card Transactions Revenue and Fees
Introduction

Departments must perform a daily and or monthly reconciliation to ensure that their credit card sales match total transactions amounts posted to the Banner General Ledger.

Reconcile Daily
1. Follow the reconciliation steps contained in the Reference Guide-Credit/Debit Payment Card Transactions Banner Finance Forms and Job Aid Credit Card Revenue/Fees.

Reconcile Monthly
1. Each month reconcile all accounts to be sure all revenue has been posted properly in Banner Finance and or University Electronic Data Warehouse (EDW)-EDDIE Finance Universe and or View Direct.

For Reconciliation Discrepancy, contact Merchant Card Services as soon as possible. (merchantcardhelp@uillinois.edu).
Types of Discrepancies:

- Wrong CFOAP/ Inactive CFOAP-cross fiscal years of change
- Rogue CFOAP
- Error CFOAP segment, Org code
- Account inaccuracy or inappropriate use

**Note:** If your unit uses a clearing fund to record the initial sale, prepare journal vouchers to further distribute the revenue internally to an appropriate financial account to include C-F-O-A-P. Ensure that the clearing fund reconciles to zero balance at the end of each month.
Revenue

Payment Card Revenue

Payment card revenue is funds received from the selling of University goods and services.

The payment card transaction batch settlement totals are posted daily in Banner Finance and Electronic Data Warehouse (EDW) reporting systems.

*Ex:* Tickets, Event Venues-Concessions, conference registration, patient billing payments, student tuition, bookstore etc...

*Note:* Revenue Funds posted next business day-Banner/EDW Reporting Systems
**Fees**

**Payment Card Transaction Fees**

Payment card transactions discount rate or interchange fee is determined by:

- The card-issuing bank
- The type of card used (debit vs. credit or rewards-corporate-commercial etc.)
- The amount of the transaction
- The timeline of transaction authorization and settlement for bank deposit, and overall perceived risk of the transaction (Card “Present” or Card “Not Present”).
- The payment card fees are posted to the department CFOAP account monthly by the University Accounting. The fees are posted to Banner with associated document number as an AR#.

**Merchant Card Services-FAQs:** What determines the transaction fees?

Processing Transactions Batch Settlement

Departmental iPay online payment sites can access transactions batch settlement reports at University Electronic Data Warehouse (EDW) iPay-Merchant Card Trans.

- **Terminal**-printed settlement report
- **POS register system**-transaction batch settlement report
- **Online**- web developer (software vendor service provider) created reporting capabilities
Office of Treasury Operations/Merchant Card Services

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Failure to settle a terminal or POS at end of each business day could result in:

- Bank withholding the funds
- Cardholders disputing transactions to be chargedback against department deposit CFOAP, which is a loss of transaction revenue.
- Plus a chargeback assessment fee that is non-refundable and nor can be collected from the cardholder to recover the chargeback assessment fee of loss.

Note: Terminals Payment Card Processing: Merchant Card Services website page Training Resources, Job Aid for Payment Card Terminal, End of Business Day Terminal Settlement.

Batch Settlement Report Documentation Records

- The transactions batch settlement report should be retained with the merchant copy payment card transaction receipts and supporting documentation.
- Receipts and supporting documentation should be filed as required by University Archives and Office of Business and Financial Services (OBFS).
Transaction Batch Settlement Report

Settlement report should be retained along with the merchant copy transaction receipt (printed from terminal device or POS register system).

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See the following reference resources at Merchant Card Services website:

- Merchant Operations - Data Retention and Disposal
Best Practices Reconciliation Audit Control Reminders

Reconciliation Audit Control Reminders noted as top internal audit findings,

- Excessive access rights to systems or files, as only persons should be reconciling as a direct responsibility in their job description.
- Segregation of duties.
- Lack of audit trails, records, and logging.
- Lack of documentation of controls.
- Lack of security awareness.
- Lack of documented security policies and supporting guidelines and procedures.
- Don’t be a party to circumvention of controls
  - Accuracy Counts. Take your time to pay attention to the details.
  - Use errors or mistakes as an immediate opportunity to teach what’s right.
Don’t let abuse or misuse go, correct audit issues immediately.

**EX:** Late transactions batch settlements, duplicate payments pending or not refunded.

Revenue Deposit/CFOAP Account Posting

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**Payment Card Transaction Revenue Deposit/CFOAP Account Posting**

A **daily settlement file** is obtained from our merchant bank acquirer. The settlement file contains all batched transactions of settlement from the previous day.

The **University’s Banner Finance system** creates general ledger feeder based on the transactions batched in settlement as total batch settlement amounts.

**Merchant Card Service receives** the settlement file and creates the transaction batched settlement file for the creation of the Banner general ledger feeder.
Transactions Rejected/Stale

Payment Card Transactions Funds Rejected or Withdrawn as Removal
Stale transactions are transactions settled late and not at the end of business day. As a result the transactions are not funded by bank for CFOAP account deposit.

Rejected or Stale Transactions
Transaction’s not settled in timely manner due to not processing transactions settlement at end of business day are rejected or noted as stale transactions at bank. Department receives no funds from transactions that are rejected or become stale by bank.

Payment Card Transactions not settled within 10 days
Departments are responsible to reconcile their transactions on account daily and at the least monthly.
Transactions Disputed/Chargeback

Cardholder Dispute Transactions

When a cardholder disputes transactions on their card account the card issuing bank will initiate a Chargeback that removes funds on revenue account as debit to CFOAP deposit account.

- Chargebacks are due to a cardholder filing a transaction dispute of claim at their card issuing bank.
- Merchant Card Services sends bank dispute notifications to the department’s designated dispute resolution person of named contact for transactions disputed.
- The bank withdrawals transaction funds from the department account for disputed transactions that result in a chargeback.

Cardholder Dispute Transactions/ Merchant Card Services-Operations-Disputes
University Accounting post manual entries into Banner Finance at end of month close to the merchant’s departmental CFOAP deposit account for the transaction activity types of:

- Cardholder Dispute Transactions
- Rejected or Stale Transactions
- Entries are Banner Document Number as AR or JV.
Who To Contact

Office of Treasury Operations-Merchant Card Services
For:
- Transaction Processing (Sales and Refunds)
- Transaction Batch Settlement Processing
- Banner Finance Transaction Reconciliation and Reporting Systems
- CFOAP Account for posting revenue
- Sales/Rejected or Stale Transactions
- Disputed and Chargeback Transactions

Email: merchantcardhelp@uillinois.edu  Phone: 217-244-9384
Merchant Card Services website: http://www.treasury.uillinois.edu/merchant_card_services/
University Accounting Contact

University Accounting - Credit Card Sales

Banner Finance Entries of JV or AR documents to CFOAP posting

- CFOAP Posting of Revenue
- Sales/Rejected or Stale Transactions
- Dispute and Chargeback Transactions

Contact University Accounting Credit Card Sales
AITS/Decision Support

1. **Electronic Data Warehouse (EDW)**
   - Terminal and Point of Sale (POS) - Global Payments-Merchant Card Trans
   - Online iPay (E-Commerce) - iPay Merchant Card Trans

2. **View Direct payment card transaction month end reporting**

**Decision Support**

1. **EDDIE Payment card transaction month end reporting**