

University Transportation Centers Performance Indicators - Clarification

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<p>1. Number of transportation-related courses offered during the reporting period that were taught by faculty and/or teaching assistants who were associated with the UTC</p> <p align="center">Undergraduate courses Graduate courses</p>	<p>“Associated” means a faculty member or teaching assistant who receives federal and/or matching funds through the Center to conduct research; and/or a faculty member or teaching assistant who participates actively in education and outreach activities funded by the UTC grant.</p>
<p>2. Number of students participating in transportation research projects during the reporting period funded by this grant</p> <p align="center">Undergraduate students in research Graduate students in research</p>	<p>In this indicator report the number of students involved in research projects funded by the grant, whether the student receives compensation or not.</p> <p><i>One example of non-compensated involvement: As part of a course requirement, the student collects or analyzes data for a transportation research project, but is not compensated.</i></p>
<p>3. Number of transportation-related advanced degree programs that utilize grant funds during the reporting period to support graduate students</p> <p align="center">Masters' level programs Doctoral level programs</p>	<p>In this indicator report the number of all advanced degree programs that involved students supported through UTC federal funds and/or match.</p>
<p>4. Number of students supported by this grant during the reporting period</p> <p align="center">Undergraduate students Masters' level students Doctoral level students</p>	<p>In this indicator report the number of undergraduate, masters and doctoral students who received financial support from the UTC federal funds and/or match in the form of tuition relief, wages or stipend.</p>
<p>5. Number of students supported by this grant who received degrees during the reporting period</p> <p align="center">Undergraduate degrees Masters' level degrees Doctoral level degrees</p>	<p>In this indicator report the number of undergraduate, masters and doctoral students who received financial support from the UTC federal funds and/or match during all or any part of their studies <u>AND</u> received their degrees during the reporting period.</p>

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<p>6. Number and total dollar value of research projects selected for funding during the reporting period using UTC grant funds (Federal and/or Recipient) that you consider to be applied research and advanced research</p> <p>Number of applied research projects Dollar value of applied research projects Number of advanced research projects Dollar value of advanced research projects</p>	<p>In this indicator report the number of applied and advanced research projects selected during the reporting period and their estimated budget (federal and match funds). If an on-going project was selected to receive additional funding, it should be counted as a phase 2, a continuation or a modification.</p> <p>Definitions of applied and advanced research</p> <p><u>Applied Research</u> The systematic study to gain knowledge or understanding necessary for determining the means by which a recognized and specific need may be met. (OMB Circular A-11)</p> <p><u>Advanced Research</u> An intermediate research effort between basic research (study to understand fundamental aspects of phenomena without specific applications in mind) and applied research. Study that bridges basic research and applied research, and includes transformational change rather than incremental advances. The investigation into the use of basic research results to an area of application without a specific problem to resolve.</p>