#### **SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST**

#### **EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**

Single Audit and Compliance Examination For the One Year Ended June 30, 2013

Release Date: March 26, 2014

**Summary of Findings:** 

Compliance
Financial Audit (released 12-19-13)
Total findings:
Total last audit:
Repeated from last audit:
5

#### **SYNOPSIS**

This digest covers our Single Audit and compliance examination of the Eastern Illinois University for the year ended June 30, 2013. A financial audit as of and for the year ending June 30, 2013, was previously released on December 19, 2013.

- The University did not exercise adequate internal controls over the University's vehicles.
- The University needs to improve compliance with the University Faculty Research and Consulting Act.

{Financial data is summarized on the reverse page.}

# EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION AND SINGLE AUDIT For the Year Ended June 30, 2013

COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES - UNIVERSITY INCOME FUND	FY 2013		FY 2012	
Revenues				
Tuition	\$	73,462,814	\$	74,743,935
Service fees		297,836		306,915
Other		348,848		1,726,607
Total Revenues	74,109,498		76,777,457	
Expenses				
Personal services	41,353,709		37,358,604	
FICA/Medicare	1,603,491		1,572,151	
Contractual services	9,879,615		10,462,638	
Travel	969,680		963,172	
Commodities	1,712,050		1,543,911	
Student awards/tuition waived	10,725,074		8,560,198	
Awards, grants and matching funds	3,981,325		1,973,062	
Equipment and library books	2,414,884		2,217,536	
Telecommunications	334,454		308,942	
Operation of automotive equipment	249,205		227,718	
Permanent improvements	4,167,198		2,464,518	
Group insurance		1,272,450		1,277,043
Compensated absences	(297,283)			(777,925)
Total Expenses	78,365,852		68,151,568	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses	\$	(4,256,354)	\$	8,625,889
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (UNAUDITED)	]	FY 2013		FY 2012
Faculty and Administrative		903		910
Civil Service	739			754
Student Employees	272		290	
Total Employees	1,914		1,954	
ENROLLMENT STATISTICTS (UNAUDITED)	]	FY 2013		FY 2012
Fall term enrollment		9,064		9,797
Spring term enrollment	8,225			8,911
PRESIDENT				
During Examination Period: Dr. William Perry				
Currently: Dr. William Perry				

### FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### NEED TO IMPROVE CONTROLS OVER VEHICLES

Eastern Illinois University (University) did not exercise adequate internal controls over the University's vehicles.

The auditors noted the following:

- The University did not collect and maintain odometer readings on a regular basis for University owned vehicles.
- The University did not have a policy in place regarding all University-owned vehicles to undergo regular service and/or repairs in order to maintain the vehicles in a road worthy and safe operating condition.

During University-owned vehicle maintenance testing, the auditors noted:

- Two of 40 (5%) vehicles tested were driven over 7,000 and 15,500 miles with a year between regular maintenance. The University did not require maintenance records to be submitted for services performed at other locations. Additionally, the second vehicle's maintenance was not performed at regular intervals because the vehicle was not available for service at the time.
- Two of 40 (5%) vehicles did not have recorded odometer readings during Fiscal Year 2013 or vehicle maintenance records. The University did not require maintenance records to be submitted for the services performed at other locations for these vehicles. (Finding 2, pages 20-21)

We recommended the University:

- Collect, maintain, and review odometer readings on a regular basis to provide assurance University-owned vehicles are being properly used and whether each vehicle can be justified as the most cost effective solution for the University's specific operational needs;
- Adopt a policy and implement internal controls to ensure all University vehicles undergo regular service and/or repair.

#### Maintenance policy not in place

#### Regular maintenance not performed

#### Maintenance records not required

University officials agree with the auditors

University officials agreed with the recommendation, indicating they will continue to centralize responsibility for collecting periodic odometer readings from University vehicles and will work to ensure that each vehicle receives routine maintenance.

## NEED TO IMPROVE COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY RESEARCH AND CONSULTING ACT

The University did not always ensure compliance with the University Faculty Research and Consulting Act.

During testing, the auditors noted the following:

- Seven of ten (70%) request forms for outside employment were submitted by faculty members between one and 154 days after the outside services began.
- Nine of ten (90%) approvals for outside employment request forms submitted by faculty members were approved by the University's provost between four to 163 days after outside services began.
- Three of ten (30%) full-time faculty members approved for outside employment did not complete an annual statement of the amount of time spent on outside employment with the University's provost. (Finding 3, pages 22-23)

We recommended the University enhance the internal controls to ensure faculty members with outside research or consulting services receive written pre-approval to conduct the requested activity and annually disclose time spent on these activities in accordance with State law.

University officials agreed with the recommendation and stated they will continue to remind faculty of their responsibilities under this statute. The University would also work with faculty members to provide timely approval of their outside research and consulting services and obtain an appropriate indication of time spent on the outside projects.

Approvals to perform outside consulting, research, and employment were submitted late

Faculty members did not disclose time spent on outside consulting, research, and employment

University officials agree with the auditors

#### **OTHER FINDINGS**

The remaining findings are reportedly being given attention by the University. We will review the University's progress towards the implementation of our recommendations in our next audit.

#### **AUDITORS' OPINION**

The auditors conducted a State compliance examination and federal Single Audit of the University for the year ended June 30, 2013. A financial audit of the University as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, was previously released.

WILLIAM G. HOLLAND Auditor General

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#### **SPECIAL ASSISTANT AUDITORS**

Our special assistant auditors for this engagement were CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP.