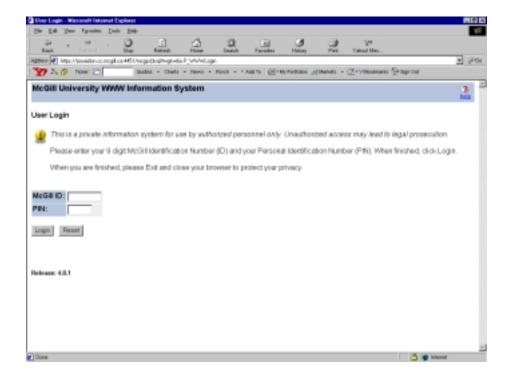
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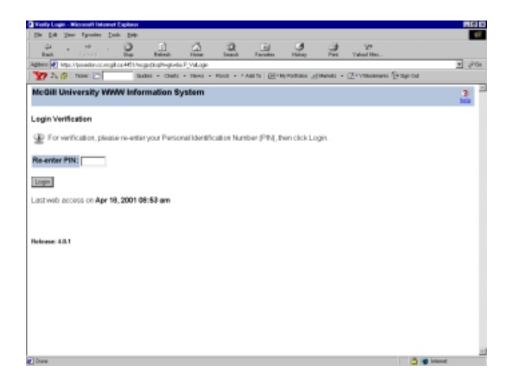
Access the McGill Banner web site at http://www.is.mcgill.ca/minerva
 Select the Minerva Login link at the top of the page

The following login screen will appear:

2) Enter your McGill ID and PIN and then click on Login. Pressing the Reset button clears both boxes of any information entered.

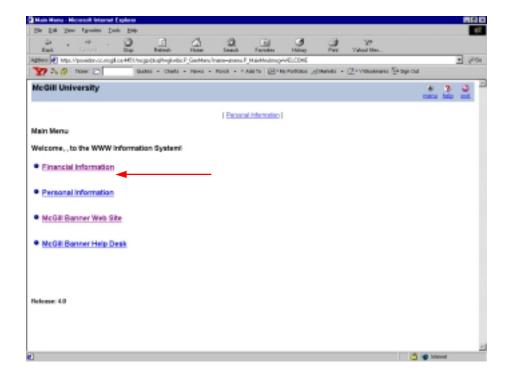


3) Re-enter your PIN in the box provided and press Login

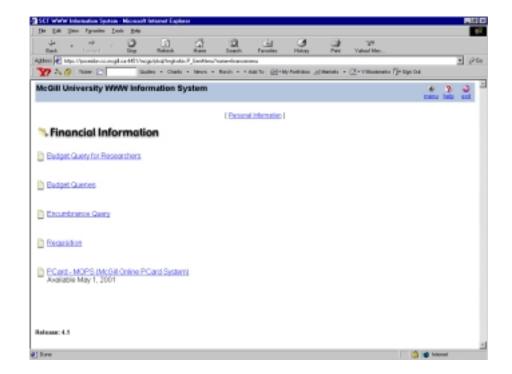


The following screen will appear:

4) Once you have accessed the McGill University Main Menu click on Finance Information

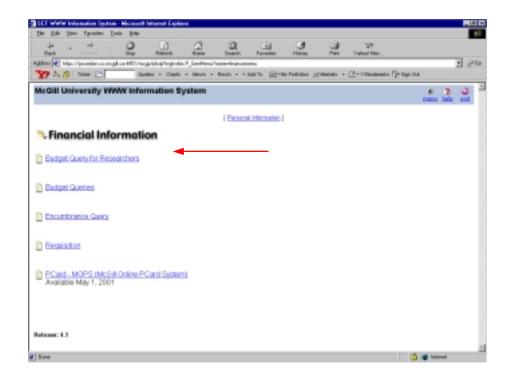


5) You are now at the Main Financial Information Menu. Click on the appropriate hyperlink. Each option is described in the following pages.

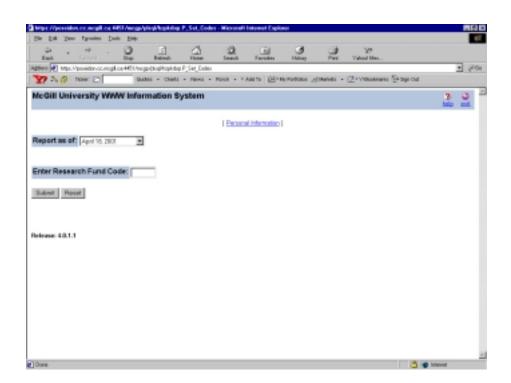


BUDGET QUERY FOR RESEARCHERS

A) Once you arrive at the Main Finance Information Menu click on <u>Budget Query for</u> Researchers.

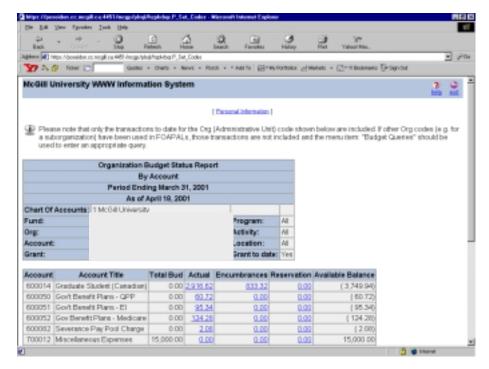


B) Choose the date you would like to start seeing records from from the **Report as of** drop-down menu. Enter the Fund code you would like to see transactions for in the **Enter Research Fund Code** field. Click on the **Submit** button.

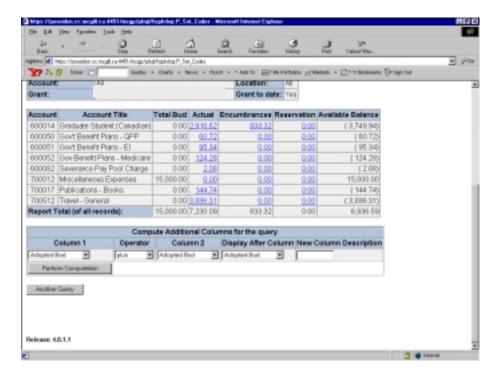


A screen similar to the one below will appear with your individual query results.

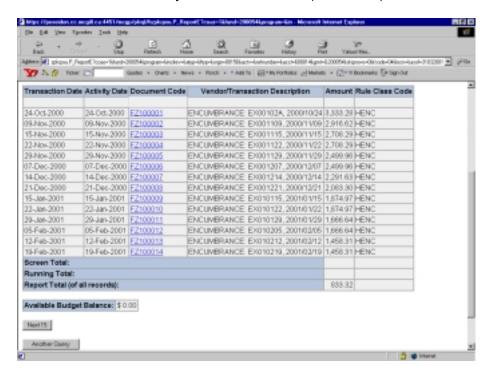
The first box provides you with a summary of your query criteria along with descriptions. The second box includes all the accounts that have had any activity as of the period you provided, along with their descriptions.



The screen below is a continuation of the one above. You would see this on your screen if you scrolled down.

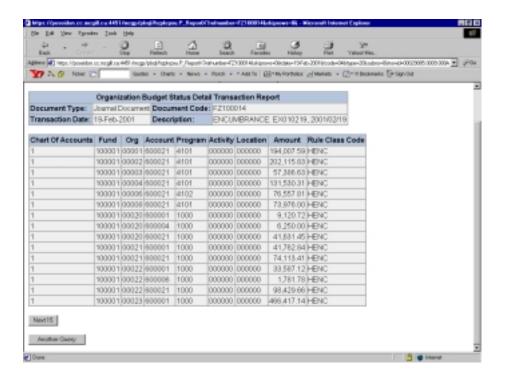


Anything that is <u>blue</u> and <u>underlined</u> can be clicked for more information. For example if you click on an amount in the <u>Encumbrance</u> column you will go to a screen that displays all its transaction details broken down by document number (see below).



Transaction Date	The date the document was posted
Activity Date	The date the information for this record was entered or last updated
Document Code	Unique identifier where the 1 st letter indicates the type of document.
	e.g. R0000000 = Purchase Requisition
Vendor/Transaction	Description of transaction detail
Description	
Amount	Transaction amount.
Rule Class Code	Rule class that further defines the type within a document.
	e.g. BD01 – original budget, IDC – interdepartmental charge. For a
	complete list of codes, see Chapter 2 of the Policies & Procedures guide.

You can then drill down further by clicking on the individual <u>Document Codes</u> to see what FOAPALs were charged.



If you would like to see the next 15 transactions click on the Next 15 button, if you would like to perform another query click on **Another Query**. Use the Back buttons on your Internet provider to backtrack to your original query results.

Adding a column:

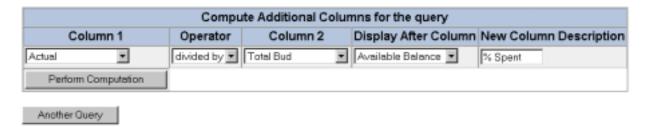
You can add your own column to the table using the fields located below the query results table.

Choose the information you desire and then click on the **Perform Computation** button. The new column will appear where you instructed along with the new calculations.

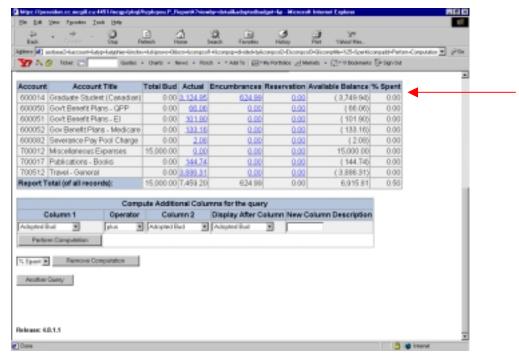
e.g. If you wanted to find out the percentage of your budget spent you would fill in the following:

Column 1 – Actual
Operator – divided by
Column 2 – Total Budget
Display After Column – Available Balance
New Column Description – % Spent

See below:



Your new column will appear as specified upon pressing the **Perform Computation** button. See example results below.



Note: You can press the print button on your Internet provider at any time to print your query results.

QUERY BUDGET BY ACCOUNT FOR A FUND/ORG

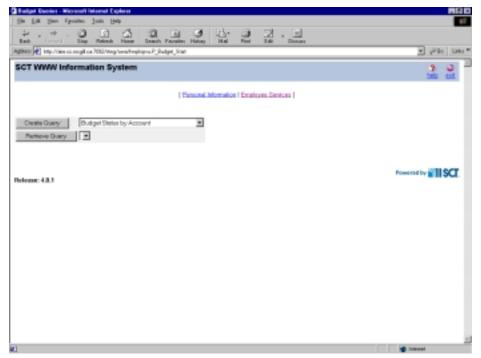
A) Once you arrive at the Main Finance Information Menu click on **Budget Queries**.



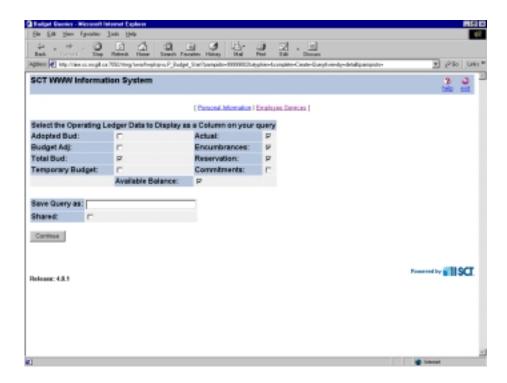
The following screen appears giving you the option to query by *Account* or *Organization*.

B) Make sure that *Budget Status By Account* is selected and appears in the box to the right of the Create Query button, then click on **Create Query**

Note: At this time you can retrieve a previously saved query by pressing on the **Retrieve Query** button.



The following screen will appear



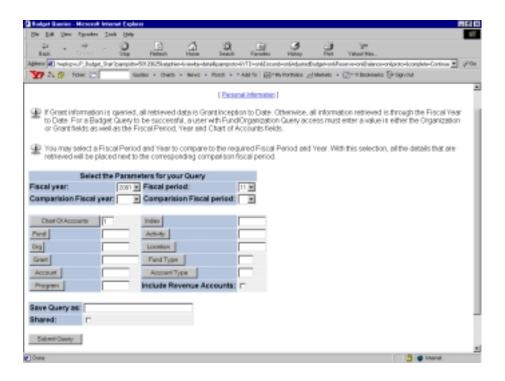
C) Check off the columns you would like to appear in your query and click Continue

Adopted Bud	Original budget allocation given at the beginning of the year
Actual	Year-to-date activity. Represents actual revenue and
	expenditures posted
Budget Adj	Budget Adjustments. Any additions or reductions made to the
	budget since the original allocation.
Encumbrances	Generated by purchase orders; legal obligation to make future a
	payment
Total Bud	Total budget for the year. Combines the adopted budget and any
	budget adjustments made to the adopted budget throughout the
	year – supplementary amounts
Reservation	Setting aside of budget. Generated by purchase requisitions
Temporary Budget	Non-base portion of the Total Budget
Commitments	Equal to the total budget set aside for future obligations.
	Commitments are made up of Reservations and Encumbrances.
Available Balance	Remaining Budget left to spend.
	= Total Budget +/- Commitments +/- Actuals

D) Next, pick the parameters you would like to report on.

Note that the Chart of Accounts, Fund, and Organization or Grant code are mandatory.

In addition, the Grant code is mandatory for querying grants and contracts. This code will allow the display of grant inception-to-date information.



Req'd	Field	Description/Explanation
✓	Fiscal Year	Represents the University's fiscal year from June 1 st to May 31 st .
		For example: "2000" relates to the year starting June 1st 1999, and
		ending May 1 st 2000. This field will default to the current year, but can
		be overridden.
✓	Fiscal Period	The number of the fiscal month you wish to query. Note: the university
		fiscal year starts in June (not January), therefore if you wanted to query
		the month of May you would enter "12" in this field (not "05").
	Comparison Fiscal	The fiscal year you would like to compare the first one to.
	Year	
	Comparison Fiscal	The fiscal month you would like to compare the first one to.
	Period	

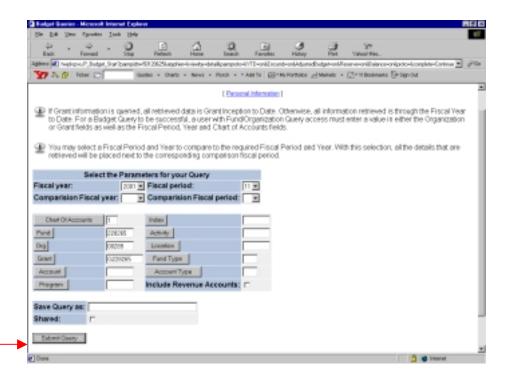
Fill in the *FOAPAL* string you would like to query. You can do this two ways:

- If you know the codes offhand, type them in their appropriate boxes.
- If you do not know the codes, you can search by their title using the gray LOV (list of value) buttons located next to each field. (explained in detail further on)

Req'd	Field	Description/Explanation
✓	Chart of Accounts	Chart of account code. "1" represents McGill University's set of books.
	Index	McGill does not use this field
✓	Fund	Fund Code. Represents the source and restriction of money. Must be 6 digits e.g. 228265 Nserc Grant, 100001 Operating Fund
	Activity	Activity code. 6 digit optional element used for independent reporting needs.
V	Org	Organization Code. Departmental entity or budgetary unit responsible and accountable for the transactions and Fund. 5 digits.
	Location	Location Code. Identifies the physical whereabouts of financial transactions. 6 digits.
√ *	Grant	Grant document identification number. For the legacy data, the grant document id will be the same as the Fund number but preceded by the letter "G". e.g. G228265 Nserc Grant
	Fund Type	The type of Fund allowing high level rollup (consolidation). 2 digits e.g. 2F = Research Grants & Contracts
	Account	Account Code. Describes the nature of expenditures, labour and revenues. 6 digits e.g. all Accounts s in the Operating Ledger
	Account Type	Higher-level category of account if rollup or consolidation ir desired. 2 digits e.g. 50 = Revenue, 60 = Salaries, Wages and Benefits, 70 = Expenditures.
	Program	Program Code. Functional reporting classification for tracking the use of funds. 4 digits e.g. 2000 = records, 1000 = Teaching
	Include Revenue Accounts	Checked: Include revenue accounts in the query Unchecked: Do not include revenue accounts in the query

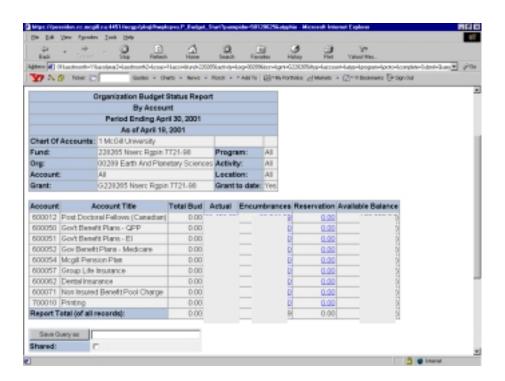
^{*} Only mandatory for research grants & contracts

E) Once you have filled in the parameters you desire, click **Submit Query**.

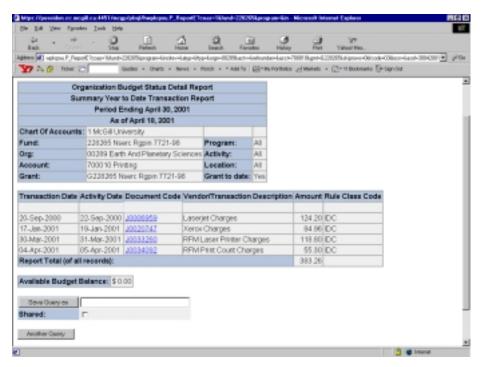


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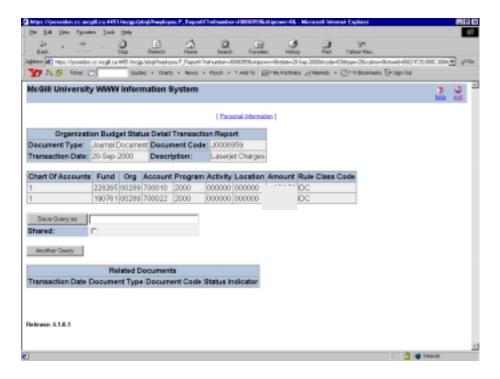


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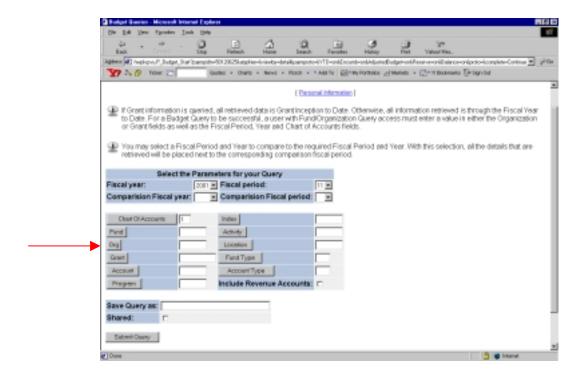


If you would like to perform another query click on **Another Query**, if you would like to go back to the main menu click **Menu**. Use the Back buttons on your Internet provider to backtrack to your original query results.

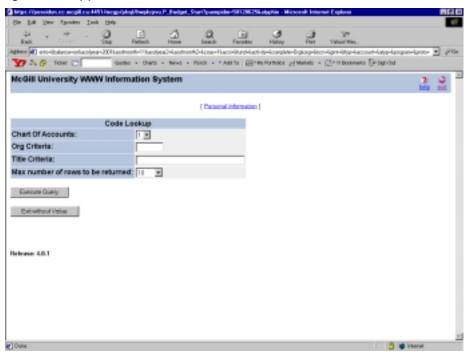
Searching with LOV buttons: (using Organization as an example)

LOV (list of values) buttons allow you to select from a hit list of valid codes if the desired code is not known.

i) Click on the Org LOV button



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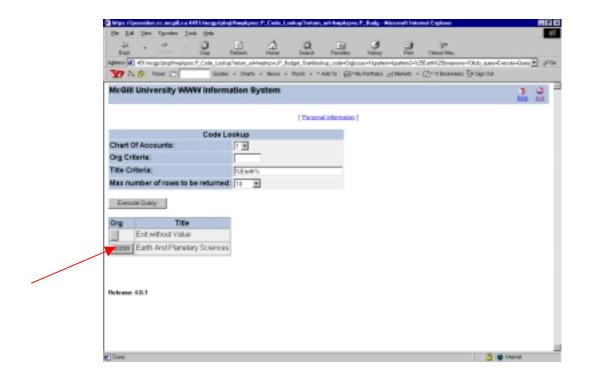


ii) Fill in the data you know, such as part of the Organization code (in the Org Criteria field) or title (in the Title Criteria field).

Chart of Accounts	Select the chart of accounts code from the drop down menu unless defaulted	
Org Criteria	Use this field if you know part of the Organization code. Enter the numbers followed and/or preceded by the percentage sign (% - represents a wildcard, any number of unspecified characters). e.g. 10%	
Title Criteria	Use this field if you have a basic idea of what the Organization is called. Enter the letters followed and/or preceded by the percentage sign (% - represents a wildcard, any number of unspecified characters). e.g. %Earth%	
Max number of rows to be returned	Enter the number of rows of results you would like to view at a time. e.g. 10	

iii) Once you have filled in your criteria click on Execute Query.

All the search results matching your search criteria will appear



iv) Look through your search results and click on the gray LOV button located to the left of the Organization you wanted (this will take you back to the previous window where the field will be populated).

If you do not find what you are looking for, try broadening your search.

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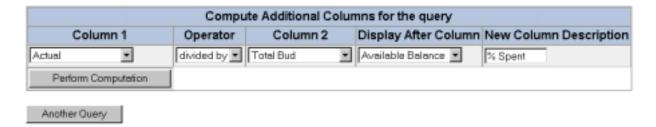
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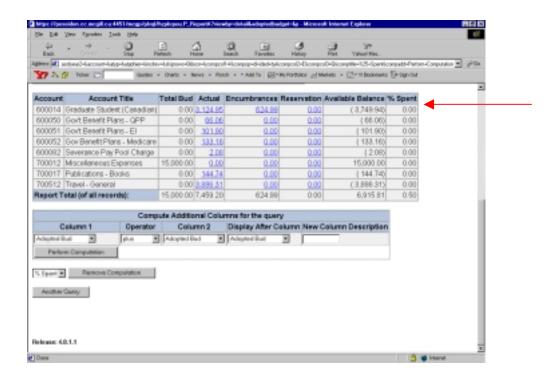
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