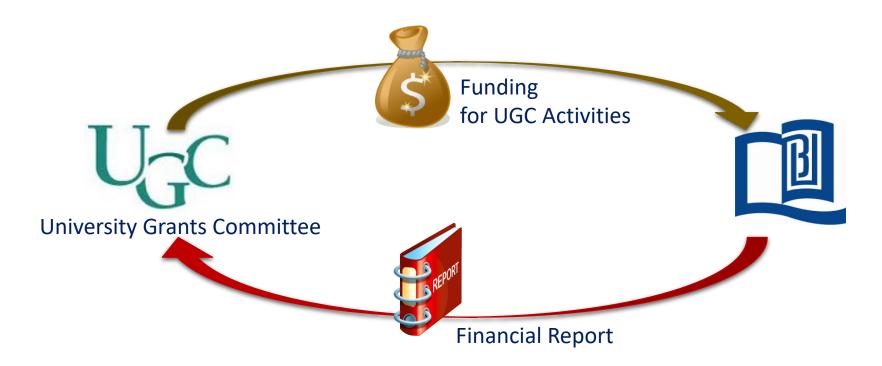


# Time Analysis Survey Background

#### **Cost Allocation Guidelines of UGC**

#### **Objectives**

- To improve financial transparency and cost charging mechanisms among UGCfunded institutions.
- To provide documentary evidence that there is no cross-subsidisation of UGC fund to non-UGC activities.



#### Cost Allocation Guidelines of UGC - Cont'd

#### **Requirements**

 One of the requirements is to prepare the Financial Report, starting from FY2018-19, with:

apportionment of academic staff-related costs into UGC/non-UGC segments based on the analyses of the actual time spent by the academic staff, i.e. academic, teaching and research staff.



## **Time Analysis Survey Approach**

#### **HKBU Academic and Research Departments**



**Professorial** 

**Lecturers** 

Research Staff

Sampling by grade at University Level



Time Analysis Survey

- 3 surveys per year
- 2-week duration per survey
- Randomly select select from each grade per survey; The sample size is subject to the annual statistician's review
- Sample drawn in each FY is independent from previous FYs
- Each staff will only be selected once in each FY
- Standard working hours not specified by UGC
- Sufficient documentation for UGC's inspection

**Use of Timesheet Data** 

Total no. of hours incurred for UGC activities



**UGC (%)** 

Total no. of hours incurred for non-**UGC** activities



non-UGC (%)



Allocated academic staff costs for UGC activities



activities

#### **Implications**

- Timesheet data will affect cost allocation to UGC and non-UGC funds
- Any unused UGC funds over a certain threshold will need to be returned to UGC

**Endorsement of submitted timesheet is required** 

Sampling approach has been reviewed by statisticians

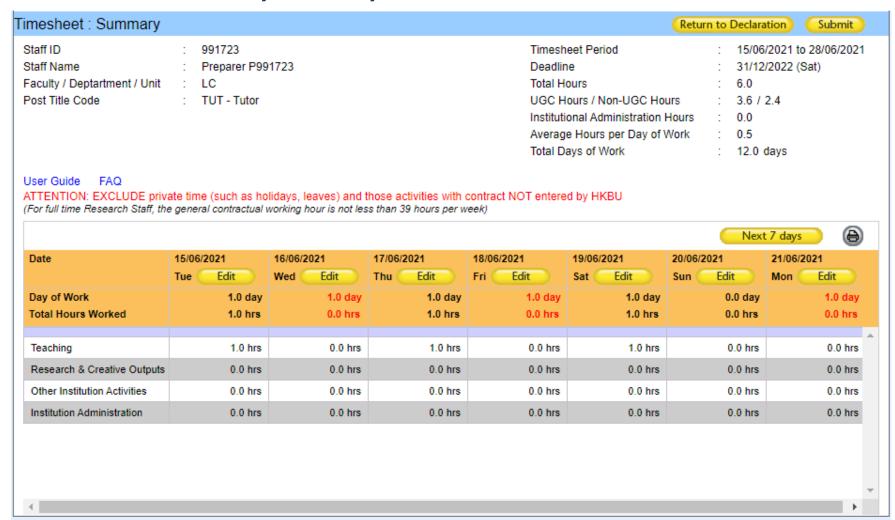
# Schedule of Time Analysis Survey in each Financial Year

Survey schedule is reviewed and confirmed by statistician at the beginning of each Financial Year

	Survey Period	Teaching Weeks
1 <sup>st</sup> Survey	mid Oct – late Oct	around 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester in 5 <sup>th</sup> to 8 <sup>th</sup> teaching weeks
2 <sup>nd</sup> Survey	late Jan – early Feb	around 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester in 1 <sup>st</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> teaching weeks
3 <sup>rd</sup> Survey	late Mar – early Apr	around 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester in 9 <sup>th</sup> to 11 <sup>th</sup> teaching weeks

### **Academic Timesheet System**

# An Academic Timesheet System is developed for the collection of timesheet data for the Time Analysis Survey



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