Inventory Coordinator Handbook

UNT Asset Management

Asset Management – An Introduction



The Asset Management department is charged with managing the 32,000+ personal property items acquired with both State and non-State funds, and any donation to UNT or the UNT System.

From UNT Policy: 10.048 Asset Management—Property Control:

https://policy.unt.edu/policy/10-048

Each department head/director is responsible for assets purchased under DeptIDs or ProjIDs of their department or organization. Using the inventory coordinator form, the chair/director shall appoint a representative of the department or organization to act as inventory coordinator to assist with routine upkeep and physical accountability of property. The **inventory coordinator** is responsible for maintaining an inventory of all personal property within the department or organization and providing information about the inventory to the property manager as required under this policy, property management guidelines, or upon request.

Glossary of Terms



- Capital Asset an asset with a value equal to or greater than the capitalization threshold established for that asset type
- Controlled Asset an asset with a value below the capitalization threshold, but is required to be reported due to its high-risk nature
- Custodian the individual who sees the asset on a day-to-day basis, or is most likely to notice if the asset is missing
- **Depreciation** a reduction in the value of an asset with the passage of time due
- EIS The online interface used to update asset information and generate inventory reports
- **Inventory Coordinator** Also referred to as the "designated asset user." Department representative responsible for safeguarding UNT assets via information updates and inventory reporting
- Query an inventory report generated via EIS that lists assets from input criteria
- Surplus An asset that has reached the end of its useful life that is disposed via a Surplus Request Form and removed from inventory

Inventory Coordinator Responsibilities



- Conduct annual departmental inventory
- Submit forms to Asset Management
- Request transfers of assets between departments
- Report missing/stolen assets
- Keep asset custodians and locations up to date
- Ensure custodians are aware of their responsibility to safeguard the assets under their care
- Notify Asset Management of items needing tags

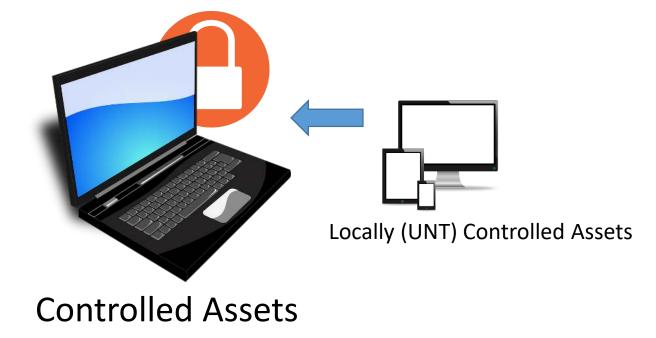
Asset Types



There are two main types of assets, <u>capital</u> and <u>controlled</u>, which are assigned an ID number and tagged with a UNT barcode during the receiving process. While coordinators do not assign assets, the ability to recognize qualifying items will help keep inventories accurate. The distinguishing characteristics of these assets will be discussed in the following pages.



Capital Assets



Capital Assets



A **capitalized asset** is an asset with a value equal to or greater than the capitalization threshold established for that asset type.

Tangible Asset	Capitalization Threshold				
Land	\$0				
Construction in progress	\$0				
Buildings and other improvements	\$100,000				
Facilities and other improvements	\$100,000				
Infrastructure, depreciable	\$500,000				
Infrastructure, non-depreciable	\$0				
Furniture & equipment	\$5,000				
Vehicles, boat, and aircraft	\$5,000				
Other capital assets Library books/collections Works of art & historical artifacts Leasehold improvements Livestock	\$0\$0\$100,000\$5,000				

Intangible Asset	Capitalization Threshold
Land use rights – permanent life	\$0
Land use rights – term life	\$100,000
Computer software	\$100,000
Internally developed computer software	\$1,000,000
Other intangible capital asset	\$100,000





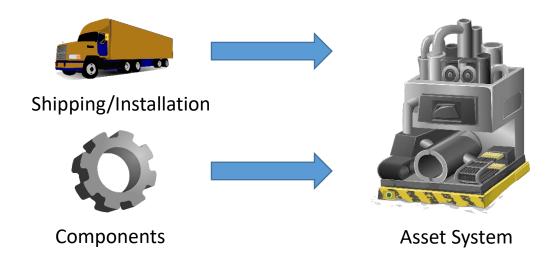
Capital Assets



An **asset system** is a <u>capital</u> asset that consists of multiple components.

Capital assets, unlike controlled assets, are <u>depreciated</u>. As a result, purchases that are necessary for acquisition (shipping/installation) or contribute to the overall value of an asset (accessories/addons) may be combined into an asset system.

If you notice an item with multiple tags, or suspect your items may qualify as an asset system, please notify Asset Management.



Controlled Assets



A **controlled asset** is an asset with a value below the *capitalization* threshold, but is required to be reported due to its high-risk nature.

A **locally controlled asset** is an asset that is below the *controlled* threshold for state reporting, but is still tracked for UNT's inventory standards.

Controlled Assets	Control Threshold
Computer, Desktop	\$0-\$4,999
Smartphones/Tablets	\$0-\$4,999
Laptop Computers	\$0-\$4,999
Unmanned Aerial Aircraft (Drones)	\$0-\$4,999
Sounds Systems and Other Audio Equipment	\$500-\$4,999
Camera (Portable/Handheld)	\$500-\$4,999
TVs, Video Players	\$500-\$4,999
Data Projectors	\$500-\$4,999

Controlled Assets	Control Threshold
Hand guns	\$0
Rifles & Shotguns	\$0





Printers under \$5,000 are no longer tracked as controlled assets, but some older machines may still appear on your department's inventory.

REVIEW – Asset Types



Controlled, Capital, or Neither?

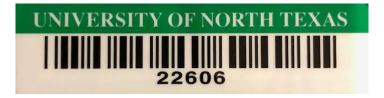
- Computer \$400
- Computer \$6,100
- Vehicle \$28,000
- Printer \$1,500
- Copier \$4,500 + Attachment \$1,000
- Conference Table \$1,700
- TV \$1,400

Asset Tags



Controlled and capital assets are tagged with a unique UNT number and barcode. When these items are ordered, they are shipped to Central Receiving, tagged, and delivered to the department. The new assets are then processed and appear on your department's inventory within 5-10 business days.

If a coordinator or custodian discovers that a controlled or capital item is missing a tag, the department will still be responsible for the care of that asset, and must notify Asset Management to ensure that it is accurately reflected in inventory. The process for requesting new tags is covered in the following slide.



Asset tags are only to be applied by members of Asset Management, unless otherwise instructed. Any loose tags that are not assigned to an item should be reported to Asset Management.

Asset Tags



New tags will occasionally be applied to assets on site. A guide on what to do in those situations can be found below:

Warranty Replacements		Direct Shipment to Department		Purchase Card Orders Containing Assets		Missing/Worn Tags for Existing Assets	
1.	Before shipping the old equipment to the vendor, remove and keep the original asset tag	1.	Notify Asset Management, providing the PO number of the order	1.	Ensure an Exception Request has been submitted to Purchasing	1.	Notify Asset Management, providing relevant information on the item (serial number, description, etc.)
2.	Notify Asset Management, providing the tag number	2.	Asset Management tags the item and updates the asset information	2.	Submit a Controlled Item Code Equipment Form to Asset Management	2.	Asset Management tags the item and updates the asset information
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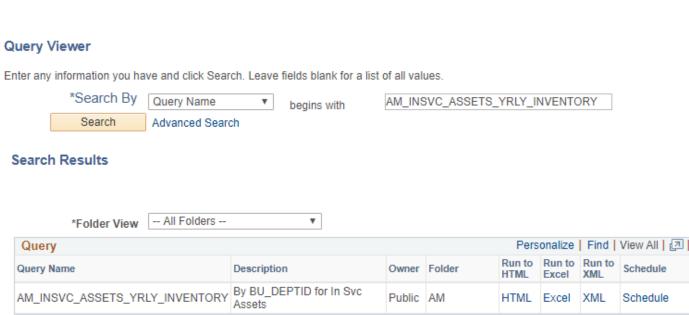
View Assets – Query Viewer



Queries allow you to generate a list of assets in an Excel format, ideal for physical inventory.

- Log into <u>myfs.unt.edu</u> using your EUID and password
- Navigate to the asset portal using the following pathway:
 Main Menu > Reporting Tools > Query > Query Viewer
- 3. Enter query name AM INSVC ASSETS YRLY INVENTORY
- 4. Click Search
- 5. Click Excel
- 6. Enter Business Unit (NT752/SYS769)
- 7. Enter DeptID
- 8. Click View Results
- 9. Open the attached Excel file

Other useful queries can be found by entering "AssetUser" in the search field.

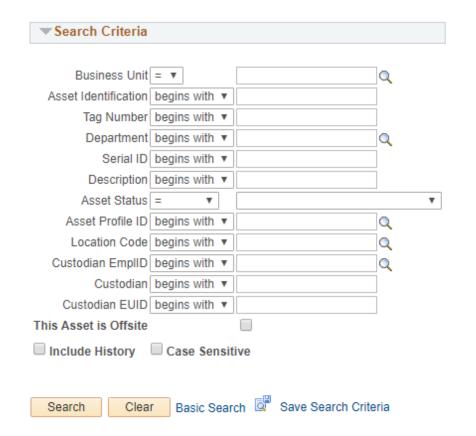


View Assets – AM Self-Service



The AM Self-Service portal allows you to see a web-based list of assets, ideal for live updating.

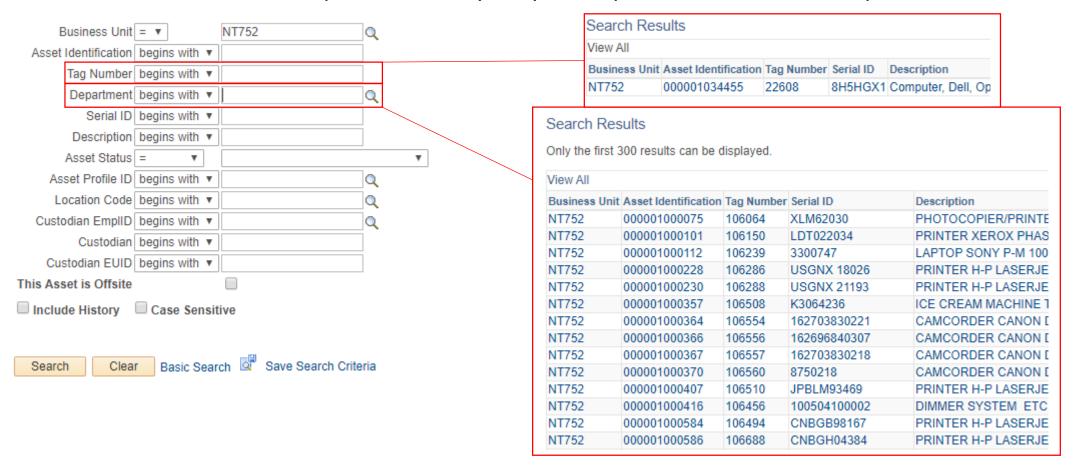
- 1. Log into myfs.unt.edu using your EUID and password
- Navigate to the asset portal using the following pathway:
 Main Menu > Campus Self-Service > Asset Management > View an Asset
- 3. Enter business unit (NT752/SYS769)
- 4. Enter search criteria
- 5. Click Search



View Assets – AM Self-Service



• To view a specific asset, enter the business unit and qualifying information (i.e. tag #) and click "Search." To view the complete inventory for your department, enter the DeptID.



View Assets – AM Self-Service

Placement Date 06/21/2013



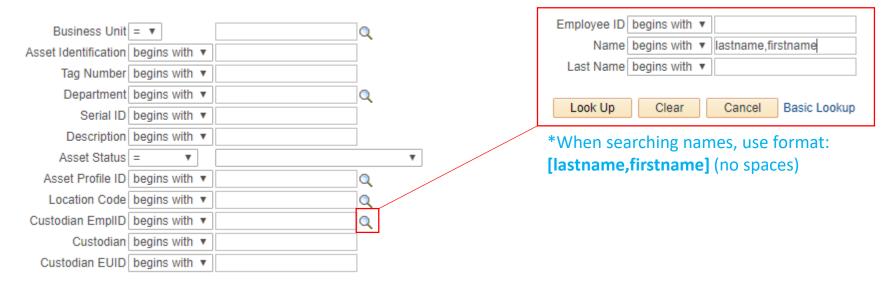
In Physical Use

- Click on an individual line in the search results to view the information for a specific asset. Use the tabs pictured below to review information.
- Serial ID Description Location Custodian Tag Number Comments **Department Chartstring** Asset Property Location/Comments/Attributes Manufacture/License/Custodian General Information Unit NT752 Asset ID 000001034455 Computer, Dell, Optiplex 9010 Tag 22608 In Service Asset Information Description Computer, Dell, Optiplex 9010 Short Desc Computer. CAP# Sea# Taggable Asset Tag Number 22608 Asset Class 204 Computer, Desktop Auction Status Not allowed to be Auctioned Asset Type 4. Furniture and Equipment Capitalized Asset Asset Subtype New Asset Asset Status In Service Available For Use Acquisition Date 06/21/2013

EIS Tips



Click the magnifying glass to see an expanded list of search options



• When searching, keep in mind that some values begin with a series of zeros (0000...). If your search returns no results, try changing the search option in the drop-down box to "contains."



EIS Tips

If you are entering a location code manually, be aware that the format must always reflect four characters spaces, a space, followed by the room number (XXXX_###). If the building code contains less than four digits, enter an extra space to reflect the missing character (XX___###)



• Each building has a location code. To search by location, click the magnifying glass icon. Use the "Description" field to search by the building name.

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Update Assets



Keeping current records of custodians and locations is a critical part of maintaining asset accountability. To update this information:

- 1. Log into <u>myfs.unt.edu</u> using your EUID and password
- Navigate to the asset portal using the following pathway:
 Main Menu > Campus Self-Service > Asset Management > Update an Asset
- 3. Enter current date
- 4. Enter location code
- 5. Enter custodian
- 6. Add comments
- 7. Click "Update this Asset"

Use the magnifying glass icons for expanded search options

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*Custodian	(example: East Name, inst Name)
This Asset is Offsite	
Comments	
Update this Asset	

Interdepartmental Transfers



If two departments wish to transfer assets between them, they may do so through the following process:

- 1. The Designated Asset User for the giving department initiates an email with Subject line: "Asset Transfer" to the Designated Asset User for the receiving department.
- 2. The body of the email should contain the tag #, the giving DeptID and the receiving DeptID. As long as the two departments are the same, this can be done for multiple assets per email.
- 3. The receiving department's coordinator indicates "approved" in the body of the email and forwards the message to Asset.Management@unt.edu.
- 4. Asset Management will transfer the asset(s) in EIS, and a copy of the email will be attached to the asset record. A confirmation email will be sent back to the departments acknowledging completion of the transfer.
- 5. The receiving department's coordinator changes the physical location and new custodian information in EIS.

Inventory Reporting



As the designated inventory coordinator, you will cosign annual inventory with your department chair/director. Annual inventory certification is reported to the state along with Financial Reporting based on the results submitted by the department.

The following slides will provide details on the types of forms and procedures necessary for accurate reporting. All asset-related forms can be found on the Asset Management web page, AssetManagement.unt.edu, and should be submitted to Asset.Management@unt.edu.

Annual Inventory



State law requires that a complete physical inventory be conducted each fiscal year. UNT conducts annual inventory during the months of May and June. Upon completion (due no later than the 15th of June), an <u>Annual Physical Inventory Certification</u> is signed by the department manager and the inventory coordinator and submitted to Asset Management.

Tips:

- Having current and accurate location and custodian of each asset in EIS is paramount. Upkeep performed throughout the year will streamline the inventory process.
- Break the inventory down into manageable pieces (i.e. room/building/type of asset/custodian).
- Property inventories should <u>not</u> be conducted by individuals who are not responsible for the asset on a day to day basis (custodians).
- Inventories are not complete until all supporting documents (i.e. missing reports, found items) and the summary sheet are turned in and accepted by Asset Management.
- Utilize the Campus Self-Service platform and/or the Query Manager to generate a report of all assets under your DeptID.
- Offsite items must physically return to campus during annual inventory.
- Asset Management will conduct periodic spot checks of physical inventory.

Mobile Assets – On Campus



For assets that frequently change location and/or user, <u>but do not leave campus</u>, the coordinator marks the central location the items return to in the EIS Asset Module. The custodian should be listed as the individual securing the assets when they are not in use. Since specific requirements may vary, it is recommended that the department implements a <u>check-out system</u> that suits its needs. Regardless of what type of system is implemented, the coordinator will be responsible for identifying the current location and user of any offsite assets.

Example:

Check-out	Return	User's	User's	Tag #	Description of Asset	Location of Use
Date	Date	Name	EUID			

Mobile Assets – Off Campus



For assets that will be used off campus, the coordinator will submit a <u>Property Custody Receipt</u>. This form acknowledges that the custodian of the equipment will be liable for its care during the time it is in their possession. Removal from campus is only permitted in accordance with the following (10.048):

- Personal property owned or controlled by UNT cannot be removed from campus without written permission from the department head/director and the completion of a university property custodian receipt form (UPCR), available on the property management department's website.
- Any UNT employees or students removing personal property from the UNT Campus must be made aware of the UNT policy.
- The UNT employee or student who will be the primary or end user of the property off campus will be assigned as the custodian of the property while
 it is offsite.
- The custodian personally responsible for reasonable and proper care of the item(s) while off campus.
- Personal property removed from campus must have a UNT property tag.
- Only employees and students involved in UNT business may remove personal property from the campus.
- The person who wants to move personal property from its assigned area must inform the responsible department head/director of their intention to remove UNT assets and obtain permission in writing.
- The exact address and location of the item(s) shall be maintained with the responsible department/organization.
- No one has the authority to transfer personal property located off campus to another location or employee without the written permission of the department head/director.
- Certain departments, such as RTVF, Audio Visual, Admissions, must carry equipment with them for presentations, lectures, or conventions. These departments must show they keep records in their offices of the equipment carried on specific trips.
- The Vice President for Finance and Administration or his or her designee has final approval authority on all removals.

Missing/Stolen Property



When an asset is discovered to be missing, it should be reported to Asset Management via a Missing, Damaged, or Stolen Report 74-194 within 48 hours of the occurrence. An investigation must be conducted and documented, and custodians found to be negligent may be held financially accountable. If there is no evidence of theft (such as a break-in), the item remains on the department's inventory for two years to allow items to be found. After two years, Asset Management will dispose of the asset ID from the department's inventory.

If there is evidence of theft, UNT Police must be notified immediately upon discovery and a police report obtained. The Missing, Damaged, or Stolen Report 74-194 should also be accompanied by a Stolen Property Statement.

Assigning a New Coordinator



In the event that a department needs to appoint a new coordinator, the user can register for training on the <u>UNT Bridge</u> platform. A <u>Designated Inventory Coordinator Form</u> is uploaded to the training checkpoint for approval. Once the new user has completed training, access will be granted to the AM Self-Service portal.

Retirement or Separation Clearance



The <u>Retirement of Separation Clearance Form</u> provides a means of ensuring an exiting employee returns all university property and settles all indebtedness to the university. All exiting employees must get signatures from the appropriate parties in all clearance departments. By signing, the employee's supervisor has verified that all university property has been returned.

Items to return:

- Keys
- Parking permit
- Library books
- Purchase/travel cards
- Uniforms
- Equipment
- ID card
- Debts

Dismantle for Parts



A <u>Dismantled for Parts Certification</u> is used whenever an asset becomes inoperable/unusable and its components are taken apart and used elsewhere. Since the components of capital assets sometimes make up a single system, it is important that the cost of added/removed parts is accounted for.

Examples:

- A computer fan removed from an old machine
- A camera that is salvaged from a broken microscope and attached to a newer one
- A usable speaker recycled from an otherwise non-functioning audio system

Certificate of Destruction



A <u>Certificate of Destruction</u> provides notification to Asset Management when an item is permanently removed from the department's possession through a means other than a surplus request. This allows the items to be disposed from the department's inventory after they have been safely and securely removed.

Examples:

- A hazardous item that must be handled by Risk Management
- A hard drive which cannot be physically erased
- A damaged item that is returned to a vendor

Surplus



Items that have reached the end of their useful life can be sent to the Surplus warehouse by department request.

- 1. All pickup requests must be submitted by the department's coordinator via a <u>Surplus Request Form</u> sent to <u>Asset.Management@unt.edu</u>. By submitting a request, the coordinator verifies that they have reviewed the <u>Surplus Pickup Request Guidelines</u>. Any requests that do not meet the guidelines may be returned to the requester for re-submission.
- 2. Items are picked up, and the request form is signed by the coordinator and a representative of Asset Management.
- 3. Once the items have reached the Surplus warehouse, any listed assets are transferred out of the department's inventory, and verification is sent to the department.
- Items submitted to Surplus may be reclaimed by other departments, sold to the general public, sold via auction, recycled for scrap, or donated to other institutions.

Surplus



If you are in need of new materials/equipment for your office, check the Surplus warehouse! You may be able to find what you need at no cost to your department.

UNT Surplus

(940) 369-7199 925 Precision Dr. Denton, TX 76207

Campus Reuse Viewings

Mondays 9am-1pm

Public Sale

Tuesdays 9am-1pm



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UNT Asset Management

AssetManagement.unt.edu Asset.Management@unt.edu

Central Receiving

(940) 565-2391 USB 135 2310 N I-35 E Denton, TX 76205

Surplus

assetmanagement.unt.edu/unt-surplus

(940) 369-7199 SURP 100 925 Precision Dr. Denton, TX 76207