As of 2016-17, the personnel budget was developed using the new Compensation Administration Tool (CAT) instead of the 3270 mainframe. The CAT is a budget system built in PeopleSoft HRS to manage compensation and funding changes during the operating budgeting cycle. This new tool allows users to make compensation and funding changes en masse on an external spreadsheet and then load the updated data back into HRS and the budget system. The CAT, accompanied by a new standard business process, is an intermediate solution which will prepare all the UW institutions for the future deployment of a new budgeting system to support scenario-based analysis, forecasting, and the delivery of rate increases to HRS.

For additional information, please visit the [UW System CAT web site](#).