

## Northern Illinois University

# **NIU Internal Audit Report**

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## **Internal Audit Mission Statement**



To provide independent and objective assurance and consulting services to assist the Board of Trustees and University management in the effective discharge of their oversight, management, and operating responsibilities.

## **Declaration of Independence**



- Requirements of The Institute of Internal Auditors
  - The International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing require confirmation, on at least an annual basis, that the internal audit department is independent.
- Requirements of US Government Accountability Office
  - Internal Auditor Independence "...internal auditors who work under the direction of the audited entity's management are considered independent for the purposes of reporting internally if the head of the audit organization meets all of the following criteria:" a. ...accountable to head of government entity or those charged with governance; b. reports the audit results both to the head or those charged with governance; c. is organizationally located outside area under audit; d. has access to those charged with governance; and e. is sufficiently removed from political pressures to conduct and report findings, opinions, and conclusions objectively without fear of reprisal. (3.31)

### **NIU Internal Audit Staff**



#### Staff Size

- 1 director
- 4 full-time auditors (one position is vacant as of November 1, 2018)
  - Christine Monteiro (8 years), Sandra Fasnacht (7 years) and Natalie Hoyt (2 years)
- 1 graduate assistant auditor
  - Eric Ngum (2018/2019 academic year)

### Staff Certifications

- 4 Certified Internal Auditors
- 2 Certified Public Accountants
- 1 Certified Fraud Examiner
- 1 Certified Government Audit Professional
- 1 Certified Information Systems Auditor

# FY 2018 – 21 Audits Completed



