



From Grants to Growth: A Q&A with Finance Manager Ginni Sahni

Finance Manager Ginni Sahni helps keep UCSF Urology running smoothly behind the scenes. From managing multimillion-dollar grants to guiding a dedicated finance team, she plays a pivotal role in ensuring our researchers, clinicians and learners have the resources they need to excel. In this Q&A, Ginni shares what inspires her most about her job, what a typical day looks like and why UCSF feels like her second home.

Q: What is your favorite part of your job?

A: Being in health care in general and being around faculty who are so incredible, smart, and inspiring! Also, leading the finance team to support this great work! Recently, we were ranked #1 in the nation for NIH funding.

Q: What are some of the key duties of your position?

A: I oversee the Finance unit which provides centralized administrative support including pre and post grant administration, financial reporting, account reconciliation, procurement, reimbursements, deposits, and management of capital assets.

Q: If someone shadowed you for a day, what would surprise them about what you do?

A: Sometimes the day can feel short due to ongoing and unexpected requests/inquiries that come up from faculty, lab staff, Controller's office and other collaborating departments. This includes helping with last-minute grant application(s), ad hoc requests for special budget reports that faculty may need for their meeting and joining unplanned meetings.

Q: What do you like to do outside of work?

A: I like to watch cooking shows - and one day when I have more time, then I will make some of those tasty things I learned about!

Q: Anything else you'd like to add?

I have been here for a long time. My husband also used to work at UCSF and my son was even born here! This place is my second home!