This how-to sheet outlines the steps required to:

- Determine where your expense report or request is sitting in the approval flow.

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**THESE INSTRUCTIONS ASSUME YOU ARE WORKING FROM A DESKTOP COMPUTER/LAPTOP**

1. From the landing page, click on the drop-down arrow beside the black ‘Home’ text.

   In the drop-down menu, **click on either ‘Requests’ or ‘Expense’**.

2. The bottom of the tile (see green arrow) will tell you where the report/request is sitting in the approval flow.

   For additional detail, **click on any submitted expense report or request tile**.

**TIP:** On this screen, you can search for reports by time period (e.g. Last 90 Days).
3. In the screen that opens, click on the drop-down arrow beside ‘Report Details’ or ‘Request Details’.

From the drop-down menu, click on either ‘Report Timeline’ or ‘Request Timeline’.
4. The ‘Approval Flow’ will tell you:
   - which steps have already been approved (i.e. circle with a green check mark)
   - where the report/ request is currently sitting for approval (i.e. a grey circle)

The steps in the approval flow:
- **‘Expense Processor’ Step:** Your report will be with Accounts Payable and/ or Research Financial Services
- **‘Manager Approval’ Step:** The manager approval must be an individual in a one-up role from the claimant or higher.
- **‘Cost Object Approval’ Step:** The financial approval authority/ies for the Index/es you have charged a given report to.
- **‘Wire Transfer’ Step:** This step is Accounts Payable and it will only be triggered if a wire transfer has been requested. Otherwise this step will skip.
- **‘Final Accounting Review’ Step:** This step is also with Accounts Payable. This is an administrative step that will generally skip.

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