Still Time to Register – Upcoming Research Foundation Workshop October 17!

Location: MLK Library, Room 255/257    |    Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.    |    RSVP by October 10

This informative workshop—"Building the Bridge To Facilitate Effective Proposal and Award Management"—will focus on the partnership between the researcher and the collaborative effort of “whole team” throughout the project life cycle. Successful outcomes require the principal investigator, Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP), and others working together to meet deadlines and all requirements from the sponsoring agency. This workshop will focus on building the bridge between principal investigators, OSP, and various on-campus and Research Foundation departments to facilitate effective project management of the proposal and the award. If you are developing a proposal, planning a proposal submission, or have already been awarded and want to learn more about best practices, you will not want to miss this workshop. To RSVP, click the registration link below.

October Workshop Registration Link

Recordings From 2018 GRC Sponsored Webinars Now on Our Website

During the months of August and September, the Research Foundation hosted Grants Resource Center (GRC) sponsored webinars highlighting agencies and programs of interest to the research community. The webinars focused on funding opportunities and proposal processes of various agencies, including the U.S. Department of Education, National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), National Science Foundation (NSF), U.S. Department of Education, National Institutes of Health (NIH), and others. In case you missed the live webinars, the following webinar recordings and presentations are now available on the Webinars web page on the Research Foundation website.

- Transforming Curriculum with NEH Humanities Connections
- Get Educated on NSF’s Education and Human Resources Directorate
- Student-Driven Mental Health with NIH’s R15 Award Mechanism
- GEAR UP for Student Success (U.S. Department of Education)
- Accessing Funding to Reduce Violence on Campus (U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women)
- Exploring Healthcare Research Through the Lenses of Quality, Safety, Access and Affordability with AHRQ’s R18 Award

NSF Announces New Anti-Harassment Measures To Protect The Research Community

Earlier this year National Science Foundation (NSF) released a Harassment notice (No. 144) addressed to presidents of universities and colleges and heads of other National Science Foundation grantee organizations detailing its intolerance of “sexual harassment, or any kind of harassment, within the agency, at grantee organizations, field sites, or anywhere NSF-funded science and education are conducted.” The agency received nearly 200 comments during the 60-day comment period.

On September 21, 2018, NSF published the final version of a new term and condition for awards requiring awardee organizations to report findings of sexual harassment to become effective October 21, 2018. After the October date, new NSF awards and funding amendments to existing awards will be subject to the new notification requirement. The term and condition for awards entitled "Notification Requirements Regarding Findings of Sexual Harassment, Other Forms of Harassment, or Sexual Assault" posted in the Federal Register requires awardee organizations to notify the agency of:

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- NIH Bolsters Protections Against Harassment
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- Grant Application Deadlines
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Any findings or determinations that an NSF-funded principal investigator or co-principal investigator committed harassment, including sexual harassment or sexual assault.

The placement of the principal investigator or co-principal investigator on administrative leave, or of the imposition of any administrative action relating to a harassment or sexual assault finding or investigation.

NSF will consult with the awardee organization, and determine what action is necessary under NSF's authority. NSF actions may include substituting or removing principal investigators or co-principal investigators, reducing award funding, and -- where neither of those options is available or adequate -- suspending or terminating awards.

For additional information, visit the NSF website.

NIH BOLSTERS PROTECTIONS AGAINST SEXUAL HARASSMENT

In a letter issued on September 17 National Institutes of Health Director, Dr. Francis S. Collins, detailed the organization's position regarding sexual harassment, and its commitment to a safe research environment. Dr. Collins states that NIH has launched an anti-sexual harassment website that clearly outlines its "policies, practices, and initiatives to address sexual harassment at NIH, at the institutions they support, and anywhere NIH research activities take place." The website contains sections for NIH staff, awardee organizations, as well as laws and regulations, and frequently asked questions. In his statement Dr. Collins also stated that "as a term and condition of a grant award, institutions are required to develop and implement policies and practices that foster a harassment-free environment. " He further described the conditions under which NIH would suspend or terminate a grant should it become necessary to do so.

NIH has also posted a summary in the Federal Register outlining the terms of a new NIH Policy Manual Chapter—"Preventing and Addressing Harassment and Inappropriate Conduct." Dr. Collins states that the new chapter provides "straightforward guidance for NIH staff — including clear definitions, procedures, and responsibilities for all affected parties." The policy, which applies to all NIH staff, also offers guidance on workplace relationships, and states that "personal relationships (including romantic and/or sexual) between individuals in inherently unequal positions, where one party has real or perceived authority over the other in their professional roles, may be inappropriate in the workplace and are strongly discouraged."

To read more, visit the NIH website.

LIMITED SUBMISSIONS - UPCOMING SJSU INTERNAL DEADLINES!

NSF Big Data Regional Innovation Hubs (BD Hubs)
SJSU Internal Deadline: October 19, 2018 Sponsor Deadline: December 18, 2018

NSF Research Traineeship (NRT) Program
SJSU Internal Deadline: October 24, 2018 Sponsor Deadline: December 6, 2018

OCTOBER – MARCH GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINES NOW AVAILABLE

The Grant Application Report shows application deadlines for funding opportunities that have been identified as relevant to research interests at SJSU and sent through the Research Foundation Funding Alert System. The current report covers the six-month period beginning October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019. Links to sponsors funding announcements are included. To view the report, visit the Grant Application Deadlines web page on the SJSU Research Foundation website.

FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The SJSU Research Foundation receives notification of fellowship and scholarship opportunities for faculty and students. Highlights this month include:

Program: Mary Minglen Memorial Scholarship
Agency: American Occupational Therapy Foundation
Deadline: October 25, 2018

Program: Space Technology Research Fellowship
Agency: NASA
Deadline: November 1, 2018

Program: Smith Graduate Scholarship (AIME)
Agency: Association for Iron and Steel Technology
Deadline: October 31, 2018

Program: ERT Minority Scholarship Program
Agency: National Association of School Psychologists
Deadline: October 30, 2018