**Research Foundation Workshop: December 9 – Managing Your Funded Project**

Location: SJSU Research Foundation 4th Floor Conference Room | Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. | Register by December 6

Now that a sponsor has funded your project you are ready to get started, but you suddenly realize you have questions about funds management and project administration. How do I manage my budget successfully? How do I recruit and hire staff for my project? What about compliance issues? Animal subjects or human subjects? Labor laws? How do I obtain travel approval? How do I purchase supplies for my project or pay my vendors? This informative workshop will cover essential elements of externally-funded project administration from beginning to end. Meet the knowledgeable SJSU Research Foundation administrators who will support you throughout the life cycle of your project including members from Post-Award, Accounts Payable, and Human Resources. To register for the workshop, click the registration link below or send a registration request to foundation-osp-infoservices@sjsu.edu.

Registration Link: https://goo.gl/forms/KtAgYhrVOhz9DLcB3

**Opportunities to Learn More: SRA International Webinars**

During the month of December, the Research Foundation will host two highly informative webinars offered by SRA International. Please join us for one or both webinars!

**Best Practices and Effective Grantsmanship for Competitive NIH Institutional Research Training Grant Applications**

Location: SJSU Research Foundation 4th Floor Conference Room | Date: December 6 | Time: 11:00 a.m. to Noon

Learning Objectives:
- Learn about the NIH Institutional Research Training Grant application process in granular detail.
- Find out about the key components of a successful proposal and how best to competitively complete these sections.
- Address review criteria specific for NIH’s Institutional Research Training Grant proposals.

**Lessons Learned from the First Single Audit under the Uniform Guidance**

Location: SJSU Research Foundation 4th Floor Conference Room | Date: December 14 | Time: 11:00 a.m. to Noon

Learning Objectives:
- Learn some key changes in the internal controls contained in the Compliance Supplement.
- Find out what other institutions are experiencing on their Single Audits under the Uniform Guidance.

**NIH To Move Ahead On Raising Postdoc Salaries**

Despite efforts to roll back a controversial new rule expanding the number of workers eligible for overtime pay, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) says that it will move ahead as planned to raise the stipends of certain biomedical postdocs. A federal judge blocked implementation of the overtime rule which was slated to become effective on December 1.

NIH announced in August of this year that it would increase the starting stipends of postdoctoral fellows on the Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards (NRSA) from $43,692 to $47,484. It also offered a one-time supplement for grant recipients to meet the pay difference. The agency did not provide specific guidance regarding compensation for postdocs funded through non-NRSA avenues. According to his November 23 Open Mike blog, NIH’s deputy director for extramural research, Michael Lauer indicated that NIH intends to move forward with its plans.

Material from Science-AAAS - 11/30/2016 issue.
Notification of Electronic Research Administration (eRA) Update
On November 30, 2016, as mandated by OMB M-15-13 (dated June 8, 2015), eRA updated access to all its publicly-accessible websites to use ‘https only’ secure connections. To help ensure that you have the best experience when using eRA modules, you may need to update your web browser. Some browser versions will no longer work following this update.

The NIH Office of Extramural Research Division of Communications and Outreach has provided the browsers and versions that will still work following the update:
- Google Chrome® version 4.0.211.0 and higher
- Firefox® version 4 and higher; with Firefox 17, Mozilla® integrates a list of websites supporting the new protocol
- Internet Explorer® 11 on Windows® 8.1 and Windows® 7 when KB 3058515 or higher is installed (Released on Windows Update in June 2015)

Questions? Please contact the iEdison Help Desk: Toll-free: 1-866-504-9552; Phone: 301-402-7469; edison@od.nih.gov.

More About NSF’s Revised PAPPG (NSF 17-1)
In our November bulletin, we announced the release of the NSF’s Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG) and highlighted some of the changes included in the new version. As a reminder the new guide will be effective for proposals submitted, or due, on or after January 30, 2017; until then the current PAPPG (NSF 16-1) still applies.

Among other changes in the revised document, the following are included:
- Language regarding the submission of an LOI for collaborative proposals. Proposers that plan to submit a collaborative proposal from multiple organizations should submit a single LOI for the entire project.
- Revised language to clarify NSF’s purpose for collecting Results from Prior NSF Support information.
- Clarifying language that explains the difference between voluntary committed and voluntary uncommitted cost sharing.
- Enhanced clarity regarding departures from the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals; such departures must be approved by the IACUC. There will be a new award clause for projects involving the use of vertebrate animals.

The final webinar on the new PAPPG will be held January 19, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Pacific Time. To register for the webinar, visit the outreach events website.

December-May Grant Application Deadlines Now Available
The Grant Application Deadlines 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 December 1 through May 31. Links to sponsors funding announcements are included. To view the report, visit the SJSU Research Foundation website.

Wishing You a Safe and Joyful Holiday Season!
The SJSU Research Foundation Central Office will be closed from Friday, December 23, 2016 through Monday, January 2, 2017. If you have proposals that are due during this time period, please contact your sponsored programs manager as soon as possible to ensure that your proposals are submitted on time. The Research Foundation will reopen on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

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

Program: Multi-Country Research Fellowship
Agency: Council of American Overseas Research Centers
Deadline: January 1, 2017

Program: Earth Sciences Postdoctoral Fellowships
Agency: National Science Foundation
Deadline: January 10, 2017

Program: Chateaubriand Fellowship Program
Agency: French Embassy
Deadline: January 27, 2017

Program: Visiting Research Fellowship
Agency: American Institute for Economic Research
Deadline: February 1, 2017