STILL TIME TO REGISTER – RESEARCH FOUNDATION WORKSHOP FEBRUARY 15
This month's topic—Building the Bridge to Facilitate Effective Proposal and Award Management—focuses on the collaborative whole team effort that is required to ensure successful outcomes during proposal development and award management. Whether you are developing a proposal, planning a 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.

February Workshop Registration Link

HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR FUNDING ALERT SYSTEM PROFILE LATELY?
As we begin the spring 2018 semester, this is a great time to review and update you existing keywords or (if you've never subscribed) to register your profile in the Funding Alert System. The SJSU Research Foundation Funding Alert System uses a database that matches faculty interests with external funding opportunities collected from various sponsoring agencies, and then sends email notifications to faculty subscribers based on the keywords they provide. A keyword represents a faculty member's topic of research or development.

Faculty who wish to register as new subscriber and begin receiving funding alerts or those who want to update their current profiles may do so by completing and emailing the Funding Alert System Keyword Selection and Subscription Form to Information Services.

SJSU RESEARCH FOUNDATION’S BACKGROUND CHECKS POLICY – EFFECTIVE MARCH 1
On March 1, 2018, the Research Foundation will formally implement its Background Checks Policy. This policy applies to all benefited employees at the Research Foundation, including new and re-hired employees and any current employees transferring into positions classified as “sensitive.” This policy also applies to student assistants, volunteers, consultants, independent contractors and employees of outside entities whose assignments require them to work directly with children or in any other sensitive positions. The background checks include employment verification, education verification, and reference checks. Visit the Research Foundation’s Policies web page for more information.

The Research Foundation will ensure that all background checks are conducted in compliance with applicable federal and state statutes, and that the confidentiality of all background check information is maintained to the extent permitted by law. Contact the Research Foundation’s Director of Human Resources for additional details regarding this important process implementation.

DEAR COLLEAGUE LETTER: DIVISION OF CHEMISTRY’S 2018 SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING REQUESTS FOR INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION
The National Science Foundation (NSF) Strategic Plan (2014-2018) outlines a vision for the agency: "A Nation that creates and exploits new concepts in science and engineering and provides global leadership in research and education." NSF’s Division of Chemistry seeks to fulfill this vision by advancing research and education in chemistry and ensuring that the U.S. research community remains at the forefront of the field by providing access to the knowledge and resources that exist globally.

In this context, the Division of Chemistry is inviting requests for supplemental funding from its existing awardees who may wish to add a new, or strengthen an existing, international dimension of their award when such collaboration advances the field of chemistry and enhances the U.S. investigator’s own research and/or education objectives.

ALSO IN THIS ISSUE:
• NIH Revision of Guidelines
• Limited Submissions – Upcoming SJSU Internal Deadlines!
• Grant Application Deadlines
• Fellowships and Scholarships
NSF’s Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG) Chapter VI.E.4, provides specific guidance on preparing a request for supplemental funding. Principal Investigators supported by NSF Division of Chemistry awards are advised to consult with their NSF program director prior to submitting a supplemental funding request. Supplemental funding requests should be submitted no later than April 2, 2018.

**Supplement Request Guidance**

Supplemental funding requests for international collaboration should fully address these two criteria:

- True intellectual collaboration with the foreign research partner; and
- Benefit to the U.S. science/engineering community from expertise, facilities, or resources of the international collaborator.

Additionally, one or both of the following criteria may be described but are not required:

- New international collaborations;
- Active engagement of U.S. students and postdoctoral researchers at the foreign site.

*Note: Funding requests for travel to international conferences will not be considered for this supplemental funding opportunity.*

For more details, visit the entire Dear Colleague Letter (NSF 18-037).

**NIH Revision of Guidelines on Inclusion of Individuals Across the Lifespan**

In his recent Open Mike blog Dr. Mike Lauer discusses details of the recent NIH revision (NOT-OD-18-116) to a policy originally intended to address concerns that children were not appropriately included in clinical research. The revision broadens the policy to address inclusion of research participants of all ages and will apply beginning January 2019 to all NIH-supported research involving human subjects.

Dr. Lauer states that their “goal is to ensure that the knowledge gained from NIH-funded research is applicable to all those affected by the conditions under study.” Effective January 25, 2019, if the proposed research involves human subjects the grant application must include a plan describing how participants across the lifespan will be included and must justify the proposed age range of participants. To read more, see the Open Mike blog posted January 24, 2018.

**Limited Submissions - Upcoming SJSU Internal Deadlines!**

- **NSF Cultivating Cultures for Ethical STEM (CCE STEM)**
  - SJSU Internal Deadline: February 7, 2018
  - Sponsor Deadline: April 17, 2018

- **CSJ Summer Initiative Grant (SSIG) 2018**
  - SJSU Internal Deadline: February 14, 2018
  - Sponsor Deadline: March 8, 2018

**February–July 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 February 1 through July 31. Links to sponsors funding announcements are included. To view the report, visit 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:** Minority Fellowship Program
  - **Agency:** Council on Social Work Education
  - **Deadline:** February 28, 2018

- **Program:** Junior Fellowships
  - **Agency:** James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation
  - **Deadline:** March 1, 2018

- **Program:** Mark B. Bain Graduate Fellowship
  - **Agency:** Hudson River Foundation
  - **Deadline:** March 12, 2018

- **Program:** Graduate Research Fellowship in Social and Behavioral Sciences
  - **Agency:** National Institutes of Justice
  - **Deadline:** March 12, 2018

- **Program:** IHS Scholarship Program
  - **Agency:** Indian Health Service
  - **Deadline:** March 28, 2018

- **Program:** Robert Gardner Memorial Fellowship
  - **Agency:** Health Physics Society
  - **Deadline:** March 28, 2018