Best Wishes to SJSU Student Researchers at the Statewide CSU Competition!

On April 17, 2018 ten SJSU student research finalists and their faculty mentors were honored at the annual SJSU Student Research Forum jointly hosted by the SJSU office of Research and the SJSU Research Foundation. We extend our best wishes to those ten SJSU student research finalists (listed below) as they head to California State University, Sacramento this weekend (May 4 and May 5) to represent San José State at the statewide CSU competition:

Israel Juarez Contreras - Chemical Engineering  
Kelly Cricchio – Art & Art History  
Vijay Lalith Cuppala – Mechanical Engineering  
Revathy Devaraj, Qi Li, & Unnikrishnan Sreekumar – Computer Science and Software Engineering  
Simon Jarrar – Applied Anthropology  
Vandana Kannan – Computer Science  
Khiem Pham – Computer Science  
Jeffrey Tseng – Economics

Office of Sponsored Programs – Pre-Award Updates

Over the past year, the Research Foundation Office of Sponsored Programs team has looked for ways to better serve the needs of the SJSU research enterprise. To bolster our support of externally funded research proposals and awards, increase efficiency, and facilitate Pre-Award manager cross training, we have re-aligned our college assignments. We are pleased to announce the following Research Foundation Pre-Award staff assignments:

• Angela Au, Senior Pre-Award Manager  
  College of Business  
  College of Humanities and the Arts  

• Michele Vaccaro, Senior Pre-Award Manager  
  Department of Meteorology and Climate Science  
  Department of Environmental Studies  

• Ellen Orasa, Pre-Award Manager  
  College of Applied Sciences and Arts  
  College of Social Science  
  University Programs  

• Mary Margaret Perez, Pre-Award Manager  
  Moss Landing Marine Laboratories  
  College of Education  

• Carmina Som, Pre-Award Manager  
  College of Engineering  

• William Yabumoto, Pre-Award Manager  
  College of Science (except Meteorology & Climate Science, Moss Landing Marine Laboratories)  

• Joaquin Ramirez, Manager, OSP and Risk Compliance  
  Contract Negotiations and Compliance

We are also happy to welcome our new Information Services Coordinator, Alyssa Gapuz, working under the direct supervision of our Senior Manager of Information Services, Brenda Swann. For a complete listing of all OSP staff, please visit our OSP Contacts webpage.

USDE Opens Education and Research Program to Support High Needs Students

The U.S. Department of Education Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII) has recently opened competition for the Education Innovation and Research (EIR) program, which funds projects designed to create, develop, implement, replicate, or take to scale entrepreneurial, evidence-based, field-initiated innovations to improve student achievement and attainment for high-need K-12 students; and to evaluate such innovations.

Three awards types are available, providing levels of support according to a project’s evidence base and scope: 8 to 16 Early-Phase Grants of up to $4 million each; 4 to 10 Mid-Phase Grants of up to $8 million each; and 1 to 3 Expansion Grants of up to $15 million each.

Applications are due June 5, 2018. Complete program details are available on the Office of Innovation and Improvement website.

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**NSF Research.gov New Proposal Submission Capabilities Unveiled**

On April 30, the National Science Foundation (NSF) officially unveiled Research.gov as a proposal submission system. Proposers are now able to prepare and submit full research non-collaborative proposals in Research.gov; other types of proposals will be added incrementally to the system in the future. System goals are “to provide a modernized, intuitive environment for proposal preparation and submission, reduce administrative burden via real-time compliance checking; provide online help tips and notes; and incorporate a proposal wizard that walks users through the proposal setup process.” Ultimately, the goal of this process is for Research.gov to completely replace FastLane. Although applicants may continue to use either system to submit NSF proposals for now, please note that proposals initiated in Research.gov will not be available in FastLane and vice-versa. For more information please see the Research.gov – Proposal Preparation Site FAQs on the NSF website.

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**Smart and Connected Health Program FAQs Now Available**

The National Science Foundation has posted a list of frequently asked questions (FAQs) – NSF 18-073 for the Smart and Connected Health (SCH) Program NSF 18-541. The purpose of this interagency program is to develop next-generation multidisciplinary science that encourages existing and new research communities to focus on breakthrough ideas in a variety of areas of value to health, such as networking, pervasive computing, advanced analytics, sensor integration, privacy and security, modeling of socio-behavioral and cognitive processes and system and process modeling. **Full proposal deadlines for this program are May 22, 2018 and December 22, 2018.**

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**Request for Information (RFI): Inviting Scientific Interest in Geroscience Summit III**

This National Institutes of Health (NIH) Request for Information (RFI) NOT-AG-18-011 seeks input from non-governmental groups (e.g., researchers, disease and aging patient advocacy organizations, professional societies, and others), to assist with planning for a future Geroscience Summit, designed to explore the contributions that geroscience can make to relieving the burden of chronic diseases and their impact (e.g., loss of resilience and frailty). Responses to this RFI will help the NIH GeroScience Special Interest Group (GSIG) to better understand the goals of diverse non-governmental organizations, and how discussions and collaborations around the topic of geroscience (facilitated by the Summit) can help all interested parties accelerate their research-related activities.

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

**NEA Art Works**

**SJSU Internal Deadline:** May 4, 2018  
**Sponsor Deadline:** July 12, 2018

**NEA Our Town**

**SJSU Internal Deadline:** May 18, 2018  
**Sponsor Deadline:** August 9, 2018

**NSF Research Experiences for Teachers (RET) in Engineering and Computer Science**

**SJSU Internal Deadline:** July 13, 2018  
**Sponsor Deadline:** September 19, 2018

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**May–October 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 May 1 through October 31. Links to sponsors’ funding announcements are included. To view the report, visit the SJSU Research Foundation website.

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**Fellowships and Scholarships**

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

**Program:** Postgraduate Scholarship Program  
**Agency:** National Collegiate Athletic Association  
**Deadline:** June 7, 2018

**Program:** AWG Minority Scholarship  
**Agency:** Association for Women Geologists  
**Deadline:** June 30, 2018