OSP WORKSHOP: NOVEMBER 16 – A RETROSPECTIVE REVIEW OF SUCCESSFUL GRANT PROPOSALS

Location: MLK Library, Room 255/257 | Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. | RSVP by November 9

In this interactive workshop, experienced researchers will offer a retrospective review of grant proposal development and project management. They will “walk back” through their pre-award and post-award experiences and provide insights from various aspects of their journey from their proposal development and submissions to successfully obtaining grant funding. They will share lessons learned, including insights on administrative and programmatic support, challenges, and resolutions, best practices for working with agency program managers, strategies for handling re-submissions, obtaining and incorporating relevant feedback, effective project management, and more.

In a nutshell, this session will give workshop attendees the opportunity to ask these knowledgeable, successful researchers this critical question, “If you were submitting your proposal today, given your experiences and the availability of tools and resources, what would you do differently?” Mark your calendars and do plan to attend this very valuable, interactive workshop. To RSVP, click the workshop registration link below.

November Workshop Registration Link

NSF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES DIRECTORATE TO ELIMINATE MOST PROGRAM DEADLINES

Beginning in calendar year 2018, the National Science Foundation’s Directorate for Biological Sciences (NSF BIO) will eliminate deadlines for the majority of its programs and accept proposals at any time. Core programs in the Division of Environmental Biology (DEB), the Division of Integrative Organismal Systems (IOS), the Division of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences (MCB), and the Research Resources Cluster of the Division of Biological Infrastructure (DBI) will move to a “no-deadline” model. Upcoming 2017 deadlines such as those for the DBI and MCB programs, are still active. While this change affects most BIO programs, some grants will still have set deadlines. Broader programs like CAREER, MRI, or REU are not affected by this change.

In his Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) - NSF 18-011, NSF BIO Assistant Director James L. Olds states that this change is intended to allow investigators “greater opportunities to prepare their proposals, build strong collaborations, and think more creatively, thereby resulting in more complex, interdisciplinary projects that have the potential to dramatically advance biological science.” Comments and questions about these changes may be directed to BIOnodeadline@nsf.gov.

Click the DCL NSF 18-011 link to read the announcement in full.

For more information associated with DCL NSF 18-011, click the Frequently Asked Questions link.

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NEW PAPPG ISSUED – EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2018

The National Science Foundation has announced that a revised version of the Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG), (NSF 18-1) has been issued. The new PAPPG, which contains a number of significant changes and clarifications will be effective for proposals submitted, or due, on or after January 29, 2018. An informational webinar on the new PAPPG will be held on December 8 at 11:00 A.M. Pacific Time. To be notified when registration becomes available, sign up on the NSF outreach notifications website.
The guidelines contained in the current PAPPG (NSF 17-1) continue to apply until the updated version of the PAPPG (NSF 18-1) becomes effective on January 29, 2018. Questions regarding these changes, may be directed to the Policy Office by phone (703) 292-8243 or by e-mail to policy@nsf.gov.

**FY 2018 AmeriCorps State and National Grants**
The Corporation for National and Community Service is now accepting applications for the FY 18 AmeriCorps State and National Grants to support research in disaster preparation and services, economic and education development, environmental stewardship, preventative health, veterans and military families, and more. AmeriCorps grants are designed to support and address challenges facing institutions and disadvantaged communities today. Funding amounts vary by the nature and scope of the projects. Applications are due January 17, 2018. Optional (strongly encouraged) letters of intent are due December 13, 2017. See the Notice of Funding Opportunity for requirements and submission instructions.

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**Funding Alert Emails or Web Postings – Please Give Us Your Feedback!**
We are currently delivering funding opportunity announcements via email to funding alert system subscribers and via web postings on the Research Foundation website. In our efforts to remain responsive to the needs of SJSU researchers and to continuously improve our services, we are soliciting feedback from our funding alert subscribers and our website visitors to determine the preferred method of delivery for our campus. Please follow this link to our short survey and let us know your preference. We appreciate your willingness to participate and we value your feedback.

**U.S. Department of Education Proposed Priorities for Future Grants Released**
The Department of Education has released its 11 proposed priorities and definitions for upcoming competitive grant programs. The public is invited to provide comments and are urged to clearly identify the specific issues that each of their comments addresses. Feedback is due by November 13. For more information and to view the list of the proposed priorities refer to the Federal Register Notice.

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

**NSF Innovation Corps - National Innovation Network Sites Program (I-Corps Sites)**
- **SJSU Internal Deadline:** December 1, 2017
- **Sponsor Deadline:** February 8, 2018

**NSF Cultivating Cultures for Ethical STEM (CCE STEM)**
- **SJSU Internal Deadline:** December 8, 2017
- **Sponsor Deadline:** February 15, 2018

**November–April 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 November 1 through April 30. 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:** Graduate Partnership Program
- **Agency:** National Institute of Nursing Research
- **Deadline:** December 1, 2017

- **Program:** NEA Literature Fellowships: Translation Projects, FY2019
- **Agency:** National Endowment for the Arts
- **Deadline:** December 5, 2017

- **Program:** The George Burch Fellowship in Theoretic Medicine and Affiliated Theoretic Science
- **Agency:** Smithsonian Institution
- **Deadline:** December 1, 2017

- **Program:** 2018 Ford Foundation Fellowships
- **Agency:** National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
- **Deadline:** December 5, 2017