Welcome!
The SJSU Research Foundation welcomes new and returning San José State University faculty for the 2014-2015 academic year. In our commitment to help faculty further their research goals at SJSU, we offer an array of services—from funding alerts and grant workshops and proposal development, to human resources assistance, financial management of awards and contracts, and connections to local businesses and community resources.

If you have any questions about these services or opportunities through the Research Foundation please contact your sponsored programs manager. We look forward to working with you in your sponsored program endeavors.

September 18 – Introduction to the SJSU Research Foundation and Pre-Award Services

Location: MLK Library, Room 255/257  |  Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  |  RSVP by September 12

Each year hundreds of funding agencies partner with the Research Foundation to engage SJSU faculty and other university specialists in basic and applied research, public service and community projects, consulting, and other specialized educational activities. This workshop will focus on how the Research Foundation is organized to help you locate and apply for external funding, and how to explore potential partnerships within the academic community.

Learn how the SJSU Research Foundation, University Advancement, and the Office of Graduate Studies and Research work together to enable and promote externally-funded programs.

RSVP to Carmina Som at foundation-osp-infoservices@sjsu.edu.

2015 CSUPERB Award Nominations Due October 6, 2014

The Call for the 2015 California State University Program for Education and Research in Biotechnology (CSUPERB) Andreoli Faculty Service Award, Faculty Research Award, and Crellin Pauling Student Teaching Awards is now open! Nomination deadline is Monday, OCTOBER 6.

CSUPERB is pleased to invite nominations for these awards, which will be announced at the 27th Annual CSU Biotechnology Symposium, January 8-10, 2015 in Santa Clara, California.

Please take this opportunity to nominate outstanding biotechnology faculty members and students who deserve system-wide recognition and appreciation.

For more information about each program, its nomination process, and lists of past awardees, see http://www.calstate.edu/csuperb/awards.

If you have questions about the award nomination processes, please contact CSUPERB (619-594-2822).
Administration Releases Science Funding Priorities for Fiscal Year 2016

As Congress continues debating the FY 15 budget, the White House has already begun work on its Fiscal Year 2016 request. The administration recently released four memos detailing funding priorities for the 2016 budget. Among these is the annual joint release from the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of Science and Technology Policy detailing the administration’s science and technology budget priorities for all federal agencies. “Priorities for FY 16 include: advanced manufacturing and industries of the future; clean energy; earth observations data; global climate change; information technology and high-performance computing; innovation in life sciences, biology, and neuroscience; national and homeland security; and research and development for informed policy-making and management.” As the American Association for the Advancement of Science notes, there is no guarantee that the priorities that show up in the initial budget priority documents will show up in the White House’s final budget request. However, they are good indicators of the areas the administration considers most important as it puts together its funding wish list.

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New DOE Requirement—Management of Digital Research Data

Beginning October 1, 2014, all proposals submitted to the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Science for research funding will be required to include a Data Management Plan that describes whether the digital research data generated in the course of the proposed research will be shared and preserved and explains how the research data will be shared and preserved. The new requirements will appear in funding solicitations and invitations issued by the Office of Science. For complete details visit the U.S. DOE Office of Science links below.

http://science.energy.gov/funding-opportunities/digital-data-management/
http://science.energy.gov/funding-opportunities/digital-data-management/faqs/

NIH Updates on Uniform Guidance and New Research Priorities

At the recent Funding Competitiveness Conference held in Washington, DC in August Sally Rockey, Deputy Director for Extramural Research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), provided an overview of NIH’s role in the development of strategic funding objectives and an update on the future adoption of new regulations proposed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB’s) Uniform Guidance. The proposed Uniform Guidance (UG) seeks to streamline and clarify how colleges and universities should report and account for Federal awards made to their institutions. The public comment period for Uniform Guidance ends in September 2014. New regulations are expected to go into effect in December 2014. Rockey noted that although overall there has been a decline in the number of grants awarded in 2014 (from 30 percent in previous years to 16.8 percent currently), the agency is committed to establishing grant reforms to make it easier for new principal investigators (PIs), undergraduate institutions, and minority serving institutions to receive awards. NIH is particularly interested in new research that is focused on antimicrobial issues (as in the recent Ebola crisis in Africa). NIH is also continuing to fund research through the ‘Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies’ (BRAIN) initiative (projected at more than $4.5 billion by 2025).

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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: National Academy of Education/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship Program
Agency: National Academy of Education
Deadline: October 3, 2014

Program: Mathematical Sciences Postdoctoral Research Fellowships (MSPRF)
Agency: National Science Foundation
Deadline: October 15, 2014

Program: Postsecondary Grants Internship Program
Agency: U.S. Department of Commerce
Deadline: October 15, 2014