OSP WORKSHOP: COLLEAGUE COLLABORATION CONNECTION – SEPTEMBER 17, 2015

Location: MLK Library, Room 255/257 | Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. | RSVP by September 10

Come meet colleagues at this fast-paced mixer that will introduce you to the amazing variety of expertise and research activities of the SJSU faculty and staff. You will have the opportunity to have brief one-on-one discussions about your research interests and efforts with most attendees in timed intervals. Near the end of the workshop there will be additional opportunities to have longer discussions with potential collaborators to set the stage for moving forward with your successful colleague collaboration connections.

RSVP to Information Services at foundation-osp-infoservices@sjsu.edu.

UNIVERSITY GRANTS ACADEMY

The Office of Research and the Center for Faculty Development has announced open registration for the University Grants Academy (UGA). The academy is an intensive, year-long experience designed to support up to 15 faculty member through the process of writing a substantial external grant proposal to fund their research, scholarship and/or creative activity (RSCA). The goals of UGA are to increase extramural support of faculty RSCA, and contribute to the intellectual culture and scholarship of the university by supporting faculty grant writing across the disciplines.

All SJSU tenured and tenure-track faculty are eligible to apply. Faculty members developing proposals to fund RSCA work will have priority; however, those seeking other types of extramural grants (e.g. training grants) could be considered if space permits. Please note that “RSCA” is a general term, and does not refer exclusively to the internal grants offered by the University each year. Projects considered “RSCA” vary by discipline, department and colleges.

Application submission deadline is September 15, 2015.

Two Q&A sessions will be held to answer questions about this opportunity.
1. Friday, September 4, 2015, 12 noon, IRC 210
2. Thursday, September 10, 2015, 1PM, via WebEx – email amy.dandrade@sjsu.edu for the invite.

To learn more, visit the University Grants Academy web page.

MOU BETWEEN NIH AND NSF CONCERNING LABORATORY ANIMAL WELFARE

The recently released NIH Guide notice NOT-OD-15-139 announced a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between NIH Office of Laboratory of Animal Welfare and the National Science Foundation (NSF), which affects institutions receiving NSF funding for activities involving animals.

Effective October 1, 2015, institutions receiving NSF support must:

1. Include NSF-supported activities with live vertebrate animals as covered activities in their OLAW Animal Welfare Assurance; and

2. Promptly report situations involving NSF-supported animal activities to OLAW as required by the PHS Policy Section IV.F.3.

OLAW will:

• negotiate new Assurances for institutions with pending NSF awards;
• review and evaluate noncompliance reports and the actions taken involving NSF-supported activities; and
• report findings to NSF.

For questions about your Assurance, email olawdoa@mail.nih.gov.

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• Comparative Award and Proposal Statistics
• Tips for Staying Up to Date on NIH Grant Opportunities
• NSF Support for Engaging Students and the Public in Polar Research
• Fellowships and Scholarships
For questions about the reporting requirements, email olawdco@mail.nih.gov.

To read more visit the NIH Grants and Funding web page.

Material from Federal Agency Daily 8-20-2015

**SJSU Research Foundation Comparative Award and Proposal Statistics**

Summary of the July 2015 reports for contract and grant awards received and proposals submitted by the SJSU Research Foundation:

**Awards** - 23 awards were received for a total of $4,458,210. (Fiscal YTD award volume is down 28.1% from the previous year, with total award dollars down 33.4%).

**Proposals** - 24 proposals requesting a total of $11,038,312 were submitted to sponsoring agencies. (Fiscal YTD proposal volume is up 9.1% from the previous year, but total proposal dollars is down 50.7%).

To view the full reports, visit the SJSU Research Foundation website and click Award and Proposal Reports listed under Quick Links.

**TIPS FOR STAYING UP TO DATE ON NIH GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

NIH funding opportunities are published in the NIH Guide to Grants and Contracts as well as on Grants.gov and SPIN. In an Extramural Nexus post NIH recommends the following ways to remain up to date on new funding opportunities:

- Create customized email alerts: In addition to searching the NIH Guide, you can save your search and receive an email notification when a new NIH Guide posting matches your search criteria. A YouTube video is also provided as a demo.
- Join the NIH Guide Weekly Table of Contents email listserv:
- Follow @NIHFunding on Twitter: All NIH Guide postings go out over the @NIHFunding Twitter feed.
- Set up an NIH RSS feed.

To read more, see the Extramural Nexus post.

**NSF Support for Engaging Students and the Public in Polar Research**

In a recent Dear Colleague letter NSF announced that the Geosciences and Education and Human Resources Directorates are partnering to advance and develop understanding of learning environments that build upon the rich interdisciplinary resources emerging from polar investments. To that end, the Division of Polar Programs (PLR), the Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE) and the Division of Research on Learning (DRL) encourage proposals that will leverage the extensive National Science Foundation (NSF) investment in polar sciences and infrastructure, and STEM education research and development, to promote an informed citizenry and the next generation of polar scientists. In order to advance polar science educational opportunities, PLR, DUE and DRL will accept and review proposals for research and development projects that facilitate the use of data from polar regions in (1) undergraduate education or (2) informal science education. Proposals must be submitted to either the Improving Undergraduate Science Education: Education and Human Resources (IUSE: EHR) deadline of November 3, 2015, or the Advancing Informal STEM Learning (AISL) deadline of November 4, 2015. To read more, visit the NSF website.

**Fellowships and Scholarships**

Highlighted opportunities are listed below. Please also visit the SJSU Research Foundation Fellowships and Scholarships web page for additional student and faculty opportunities.

| Program: | ACLS Collaborative Research Fellowships |
| Agency: | American Antiquarian Society |
| Deadline: | September 23, 2015 |

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| Program: | The 2016-2017 Fellowship Competition |
| Agency: | New York Public Library |
| Deadline: | September 25, 2015 |

| Program: | Jane N. Ryland Fellowship Program |
| Agency: | EDUCAUSE |
| Deadline: | September 25, 2015 |

| Program: | Fellowships for Creative and Performing Artists and Writers |
| Agency: | American Antiquarian Society |
| Deadline: | October 5, 2015 |

| Program: | E-Team Program |
| Agency: | VentureWell |
| Deadline: | October 7, 2015 |