

Quick Start Guide for External Funding

Many San José State University faculty members seek external funding to conduct research and public service projects, underwrite faculty conferences, purchase equipment, or for other discretionary activities. The SJSU Research Foundation Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) offers a full array of services to help you get started and to keep you informed. A list of resources is provided below. Please contact your OSP manager or the Information Services staff for additional details.

Funding Resources

The proposal development process begins with selecting an external funding source. The **Finding Funding** web page contains links to many useful funding resources, including funding databases such as Grants .gov, Grants Resource Center (GRC), and the Sponsored Programs Information Network (SPIN)—a searchable funding database that contains detailed information about various funding sources. SJSU faculty and staff may use the SPIN database to search for federal, state, and private funding opportunities. To access the array of funding resources, visit the **Finding Funding** web page at: www.sjsu.edu/researchfoundation/osp/findingfunding/

Funding Alerts

The Office of Sponsored Programs uses a Funding Alert System to disseminate grant funding opportunities to SJSU faculty and staff. To learn more about how to select keywords that match your area of interest, and how to sign up to receive funding alerts via email, visit the **Funding Alerts** web page at: www.sjsu.edu/researchfoundation/osp/findingfunding/fundingalerts/index.html

Limited Submission Programs

Limited submission programs are those grant programs for external funding to which external sponsors only allow one proposal submission per institution. Proposals to such limited submission programs require additional review in advance by SJSU to determine which one proposal will be submitted on behalf of the university. A list of current limited submission programs, applicable SJSU internal deadlines, and submission instructions are available on the **Limited Submission Programs** web page at: www.sjsu.edu/researchfoundation/osp/findingfunding/limitsub/index.html

Individual Funding Searches

Customized funding searches for individuals are available upon request. We partner with the AASCU Grants Resource Center in Washington, D.C. to provide customized searches based on specific information provided by faculty about their research areas of interest.

Grant Application Deadlines

The Research Foundation provides a report that makes it easy to view upcoming deadlines for grant applications. The report shows funding opportunities that have been sent through our Funding Alert System with corresponding grant application deadlines. This report is updated monthly, and can be accessed from the **Grant Application Deadlines** webpage at: <http://www.sjsu.edu/researchfoundation/osp/findingfunding/grantapdeadline/index.html>

Workshops

Each semester the Research Foundation provides workshops for faculty, staff, and administrators covering topics including the SJSU proposal development process, budgeting guidelines, federal funding updates, and compliance. For workshop announcements, visit our **Workshops** web page at: www.sjsu.edu/researchfoundation/osp/wandw/index.html

SJSU Research Foundation Bulletin

The SJSU Research Foundation Bulletin is a monthly publication informing the SJSU academic community about sponsored program information, trends and opportunities. Articles are contributed by members of OSP and the Research Foundation Central Office. To view archived copies of the Research Foundation Bulletin and to sign up to receive copies of the monthly bulletin by email, visit: www.sjsu.edu/researchfoundation/osp/bulletin/index.html