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RESEARCH FOUNDATION CENTRAL OFFICE END OF YEAR HOLIDAYS

The SJSU Research Foundation Central Office will be closed **Thursday, November 28, 2019 and Friday, November 29, 2019** and **Wednesday, December 25, 2019 through Wednesday, January 1, 2020**. If you have proposals that are due during this time period, please contact your sponsored programs manager as soon as possible to ensure that your proposals are submitted by the sponsor's required due date. Also, if you have Finance and Accounting or Human Resources matters that may require attention during that time, please contact the appropriate member(s) of those teams as soon as possible for assistance. The Research Foundation will re-open **Thursday, January 2, 2020.**

VISIT US ON CAMPUS – CLARK HALL SUITE 500

Research Foundation team members from the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP), Human Resources, Payroll, and Accounts Payable are on campus Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays to meet with faculty as needed on a drop-in basis. Specific hours of availability are below. You may also schedule appointments with team members for any day of the week, including Mondays and Fridays between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. To arrange an appointment, contact the team member with whom you wish to meet by email or phone. Email addresses and telephone numbers are available in the Research Foundation Directory.

Tuesday
9 a.m. - 12 p.m. OSP, Accounts Payable – Procurement
12 p.m. - 3 p.m. OSP, Human Resources, Payroll

Wednesday
9 a.m. - 12 p.m. OSP, Human Resources, Payroll
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Thursday
9 a.m. - 12 p.m. OSP, Human Resources
12 p.m. - 3 p.m. OSP

SJSU RESEARCH FOUNDATION FUNDING ALERTS – REGISTER, REVIEW, UPDATE!

The SJSU Research Foundation Funding Alert System uses a database that matches faculty interests with external funding opportunities collected from various sponsoring agencies, and then sends email notifications to faculty subscribers based on the research-related keywords they provide. Now that we are several weeks into the 2019 fall semester, this might be a great time to register for funding alerts or to review and update your current profile in the Funding Alert System. The current **Keyword List** and the **Funding Alert System Keyword Selection and Subscription Form** are available on the Research Foundation Funding Alerts web page. To become a subscriber or to update your current profile, complete and email the subscription form to foundation-osp-infoservices@sjsu.edu.

YOU'RE INVITED TO ATTEND NSF'S FALL 2019 GRANTS CONFERENCE . . . VIRTUALLY

The National Science Foundation (NSF) is providing an opportunity for members of the research community to "experience the Fall 2019 Grants Conference virtually." On November 18 and 19 NSF will live stream conference sessions from the meeting site in Boston, Massachusetts. There is no cost to register and no limit on the number of participants who may view the live stream. Discussion topics include an **NSF Overview, Types of NSF Funding, Proposal Preparation, the Merit Review Process, NSF IT Modernization, and Award Management.** To register and to learn more about the conference agenda and speakers, click the Grant Conference Information link below. The link to the webcast will be emailed to all registrants in advance of the event.

Grant Conference Information

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NSF Delays Release of the 2020 PAPPG

The National Science Foundation (NSF) typically releases its annual revised version of the *Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG)* during the month of October. However, during a recent Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP) meeting in Washington, D.C., Jean Feldman, head of the policy office at NSF's Division of Institution and Award Support, announced a delay in the release of the updated 2020 guide.

Ms. Feldman shared that the agency released a draft of the PAPPG this summer to allow for public comment, and received 105 comments from stakeholders. As a result, a working group has been formed to "consider feedback and to develop proposed responses." Before the agency can develop an updated version, comments for revisions must be submitted to senior NSF management for its review and consideration. The updated version must then be cleared by the Office of Management and Budget before it can become final. It is anticipated that the entire process could take several weeks. Consequently the agency has not announced a new posting date. **The February 2019 version of the PAPPG will remain in effect until the agency implements the new 2020 guide.**
Source: Grants Compliance Expert website

USDE Advances the Current Administration's STEM Priorities

In its November 8 press release, the U.S. Department of Education announced its investment of $540 million to support science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education (including computer science) through discretionary and research grants in Fiscal Year 2019. In accordance with the current Administration's directive, the investment is intended help increase opportunities in STEM-related career fields. The funding aligns with the overall goals of the five-year federal STEM education strategic plan entitled *Charting A Course For Success: America's Strategy for STEM Education*.

Approximately $345 million of the total investment "supported continuing the work of current grants that support STEM activities that have demonstrated that they meet all applicable grant requirements, including making substantial progress towards fulfilling the aims of their project proposals." Funds are intended to "be used to prepare the STEM teacher corps, provide graduate student fellowships in areas of national need, increase the number of low-income students who are prepared to enter and succeed in postsecondary education, and support state efforts to expand and improve the transition of high school Career and Technical Education (CTE) Students to postsecondary education and employment through apprenticeships, among other areas."
To read more, visit the U.S. Department of Education website.
Source: US Department of Education website

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: SMART Scholarship-for-Service Program
Agency: Department of Defense
Deadline: December 3, 2019

Program: FY20 Dr Nancy Foster Scholarship Program
Agency: NOAA
Deadline: December 6, 2019

Program: Minorities and Women AI Course Scholarship
Agency: Appraisal Institute Education Trust
Deadline: January 1, 2020

Program: Undergraduate Marine Research Internship
Agency: Women Divers Hall of Fame
Deadline: January 15, 2020

Program: Post-baccalaureate Fellowships
Agency: National Institutes of Health
Deadline: January 15, 2020

Program: William B. Ruggles Jounalism Scholarship
Agency: National Institute for Labor Relations Research
Deadline: January 31, 2020