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RESEARCH TRACKS

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Reminder

Internal Grant Deadlines Coming Soon

Don't forget, the deadlines to apply for internal grant funding from the Office of the Vice Provost for Research are almost here.

Applications for the Faculty Research Investment Program, Young Investigator Development Program, and Undergraduate Research & Scholarly Achievement Small Grants Program are due on Wednesday, February 2 at 12:00 noon.

Applications for University Research Committee grants are due on Wednesday, February 23 at 12:00 noon.

For application guidelines and more information on the internal grant programs, visit the OVPR web site, located at: http://www.baylor.edu/research/vpr/index.php?id=16766.

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Research News

OVPR to Sponsor Grant Writing Workshop On Campus

In response to a number of faculty requests, the Office of the Vice Provost for Research is sponsoring a grant writing seminar on campus during the first week of January.

The seminar will be divided into science and arts & humanities



sessions on separate days, with science sections January 5-6 and humanities sections on January 7.

Registration Information

To sign up for the workshop, visit the registration page located at: https://www.baylor.edu/research/index.php?id=78360

PLEASE NOTE: Due to limited space, the science section is currently closed to further reservations. Science faculty who are interested in attending may still complete the registration form and the OVPR will send out notifications if seats are available due to cancellations.

Space is still available for humanities faculty on a first-come, first-served basis.

About the Trainers

The workshop will be presented by Grants Training Center, a Washington, DC based group with many years of experience helping applicants write successful grant proposals.

For more information on the grant writing workshop, contact Blake Thomas at Blake Thomas@Baylor.edu.



OVPR Welcomes New Staff Member

The Office of the Vice Provost for Research is proud to welcome its newest staff member, Administrative Associate Angela Love.

Angela joins the OVPR after working in Baylor's Educational Psychology department for the last two years. In addition to her administrative support to the OVPR, Angela will also provide support to the Undergraduate Research & Scholarly Achievement program.

Please join us in welcoming Angela and wishing her the best in her new position.



Federal Research Workshop

Registration Open For CUR **Dialogues**

Baylor's membership in the Council on Undergraduate Research has a number of benefits to our faculty. Among them is the chance to attend the CUR Dialogues, a great opportunity to meet and network with other faculty from around the country and program officers from a number of federal funding agencies.

Attendees will learn about new and ongoing grant opportunities in research and education and have the chance to meet face to face with representatives from the NSF, NIH, NEH, NEA, HHMI, Dept. of Energy, Dept. of Ed. and more.

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The 2011 CUR Dialogues take place February 24-26, 2011, with optional additional sessions on the 26th and 27th. For more information or to register, visit the CUR Dialogues website, located at: http://www.cur.org/11curdialogues/11cd.html.

Compliance Corner

Points to Remember When **Submitting IRB Proposals**

- 1. When completing modifications for your project, do not create a new project for that modification. You will create a package 2 within your project. (ex: 00000-2) For instructions on subsequent packages contact Jill Combs at extension 3708 or Jill_Combs@Baylor.edu.
- 2. Signatures needed for projects:
 - a) Students will need to have their advisor and department chair electronically sign their project before it can be reviewed by the IRB
 - b) Faculty will need to have their department chair electronically sign their project before it can be reviewed by the IRB chair.
- 3. For a proposal to be considered at a committee meeting, it must be received in the IRB Office two weeks before the scheduled meeting date.
- 4. Expedited Review: Proposals involving only written, oral, or electronic surveys that do not request any highly personal or sensitive information and pose only minimal physical and psychological risks to participants may be submitted for expedited review. A minimum of two weeks must be allowed for processing, provided that the proposal is complete upon submission. Processing time may vary depending on whether or not classes are in session so that committee members are available for review.

Service Opportunity

New NSF Policies & Procedures Guide Takes Effect Jan. 18

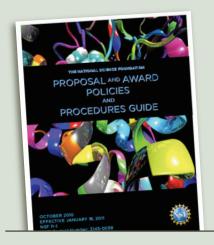
As a reminder, National Science Foundation grant proposals submitted or due on or after January 18, 2011 must be prepared in accordance with the updated *Policies and Procedures Guide*.

The guide includes a number of changes from the previous version, most notably a clarification of the NSF's policy regarding data management and sharing.

All proposals must include a statement describing the investigator's plan for sharing and managing data resulting from the project. Alternatively, PIs may assert that there is not a need for such a plan.

The new guide is available at: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub-summ.jsp?ods-key=nsf11 http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pu

FAQs about the new guide are available from the NSF at: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=pappfags.



Volunteer To Serve As An NSF Proposal Reviewer

Serving as a proposal reviewer for the National Science Foundation isn't just a valuable service to the scientific community. It can also help you develop more competitive proposals yourself.

When you serve as a reviewer, you get a first-hand look at the review process, and you will see what distinguishes a strong proposal from a weaker one. You'll also meet colleagues and program officers working in your field.

The first step in volunteering is to contact the program officer in the areas most suited to your experience. Visit http://www.nsf.gov and select a relevant program area. Contact the program officer via email and let them know you'd like to serve as a reviewer. It's also helpful to attach a brief (1-2 page) CV demonstrating your experience. The program officer will let you know if you are selected and will help guide you in your next steps.



Humanities Funding Opportunity

NEH American Media Makers Production & Development Grants

Through the American Media Makers program, the National Endowment for the Humanities supports work on a variety of projects aimed at deepening our understanding of our lives and our world. Projects funded under this program encourage dialogue, discussion, and civic engagement, fostering learning among people of all ages.

The program awards two types of grants. Development grants fund collaboration between media producers and scholars to help prepare humanities content for production. Production grants support preparation of a humanities program for distribution.

American Media Makers grants can take a variety of forms, including radio, television and digital media. Awards under the program typically range from \$40,000 to \$75,000.

For more information on the program and to view sample projects and application information, visit the NEH website, located at: http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/AmMediaMakers developmen t.html.

Federal Agency Grants

| Opportunity Title | Due Date |
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| Research on Gender in Science & Engineering http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2010/nsf10516/nsf10516.htm | 02/09/2011 |
| NASA Graduate Student Researchers Program http://fellowships.hq.nasa.gov/gsrp/nav/ | 02/11/2011 |
| NSF - Physical Oceanography http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=12729 | 02/15/2011 |
| NSF Engineering Design and Innovation http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=13340 | 02/15/2011 |
| Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=58613 | 02/16/2011 |
| Energy for Sustainability http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=501026 | 03/03/2011 |
| NEA Access to Artistic Excellence | 03/11/2011 |
| Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Education http://ies.ed.gov/funding/11rfas.asp | 04/29/2011 (LOI) |

Foundation Grants

| Opportunity Title | Due Date |
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| Welch Foundation Research Grants http://www.welch1.org/GrantsPrograms/ResearchGrants/index.asp | 02/01/2011 |
| Health Resources in Action - Deborah Munroe Noonan Memorial Fund http://www.hria.org/tmfservices/tmfgrants/noonan.html | 02/01/2011 |
| Kauffman Junior Faculty Fellowship in Entrepreneurship Research http://fellowships.hq.nasa.gov/gsrp/nav/ | 03/09/2011 |
| Student Grant Program http://www.evolvingearth.org/evolvingearthgrants/grantsmain.htm | 03/11/2011 |



For more information on locating and applying for funding opportunities, contact Blake Thomas at x3153.