

RESEARCH UPDATE

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HHS Rapid Response COVID-19 Grants

- Launched this spring and ran through end of May
- Focused on providing rapid review and allocation of funding to allow faculty to collect pilot data for larger COVID grant opportunities
- Funded 7 proposals led by:
 - Karen Byrd, Barbara Almanza, Aileen Fan, Stephen Leitch, EunSol Her, and Yiran Liu, HTM
 - Karen Foli, NURS, Yu-Chin Chiu, PSYC, and Lingsong Zhang, STAT
 - Bridgette Kelleher, Sean Lane, PSYC, Libby Richards, NURS, and Anne Wheeler, RTI Intl
 - Nilupa Gunaratna, PUBH
 - Georgia Malandraki, SLHS
 - Natalia Rodriguez, PUBH
 - Zoe Taylor, Keisha Bailey, HDFS and Abrianna Adams, PUBH
- Studies have made significant progress and have already resulted in external grant proposals and manuscripts submitted for publication

Professional Development (with Susie Swithers)

- Research and Coffee
 - Twice monthly discussions of research-related topics
 - Includes regular opportunities to workshop grant ideas and obtain input from a larger group of faculty
 - Over 400 participants total; over 99 different participants; an average of 29 participants per session

- New Tenure-Track Assistant Professors: New program for 2020
 - Monthly meetings of our new tenure-track assistant professors
 - Cover a range of topics including research, teaching, and engagement

- We may be making some changes to the program we have been calling the “auxiliary program,” including opening it up to the college more broadly, maybe combining it with Research and Coffee

- Visits to meet with program officers (once travel is possible)

Grant Proposal Development

- Assist in identifying grant opportunities
- Provide guidance in developing grant proposals
- Grant review and advice – in our office and through one-on-one mentoring with another faculty member
- Facilitate large proposal development
- Support the development of research teams and centers
- Assist with developing training grants
- Help with negotiations to meet special funder requirements (like cost share)
- Provide letters of support for a variety of grant mechanisms

Pilot Funding

- Kinley and Showalter pre-proposals have been received
 - Showalter pre-proposals have been reviewed and sent to the EVPRP
 - Kinley pre-proposals are under review

- PRF funding has not been announced yet. Expect this information by the end of January. Includes:
 - Grants to support a doctoral student working on a faculty member's research program
 - Grants to cover some summer salary for assistant professors

- MRI pilot funding: Up to 3K to collect pilot data in the Life Sciences MRI facility. Next deadline is Nov 29, 2020
 - Check the MRI website and the HHS Research website for more details and remember to plan with Ulrike Dydak and her staff in advance

- Internal grant reviews: New procedures in place to provide feedback on all internal grant proposals

Fall 2020, New Programs, and Coming Soon

- Fall Research Day: 123 attendees and 13 student presenters – THANK YOU for coming!
- New and Improved Website – thank you Amanda and Denise
- Research Advisory Committee:
 - Larger committee allows us to have more diverse representation on the committee and more people to help with reviews and other tasks
 - New procedures in place to provide feedback on internal grant proposals as a part of the review procedures
- Newsletter – should have the first version in November
- Internal reviews of external grants: reach out to Jessica and Pat
 - We are available to review and comment and we can help find someone internally to review your grant
 - We will be working on some ideas for an internal grant panel during the next calendar year
- External grant reviewer program coming by the end of this calendar year
- Grants Library: Example grants are available through our office. Consider sharing yours as an example too. Contact Kim Sagendorf
- New programming to support undergraduate research is coming soon

QUESTIONS