Are you interested in running animal studies at Towson University? Do you use invertebrate animals for classroom instruction? Do you have pets on campus?

The University’s Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) oversee compliance with all regulations and ethical principles governing the care and use of animals at Towson University. Animal research cannot begin until IACUC approval is granted. Please allow the IACUC committee six to eight weeks for review. Information on animal use at Towson University and training requirements is available at: http://www.towson.edu/main/research/resources/animalcare.asp

For additional information on animal use in research, please visit http://www.nap.edu/readingroom/books/labrats, a guide for the care and use of laboratory animals. The “bible” for laboratory animal facilities, it describes the necessary components of a quality laboratory animal care program. Written by the Institute of Laboratory Animal Resources (ILAR), this is the primary reference used by the Association for the Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care International (AAALAC).

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Funding Opportunities

- Federal Business Opportunities
- Grants.gov
- Institute of Museum and Library Services
- Maryland Governor’s Grant Office
- National Academy of Sciences/National Academy of Engineering/ Institute of medicine/ National Research Council
- National Endowment for the Humanities
- National Institutes of Health
- National Science Foundation
- The Camille & Henry Dreyfus Foundation, Inc.
- U.S. Department of Education
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- U.S. Department of Energy
Attention Faculty Members: Please be aware that significant changes have been made to the following Program Solicitations:

- **NSF 13-600** Division of Integrative Organismal Systems Core Programs

- **NSF 14-503** Division of Environmental Biology (Core Programs) (DEB)

**NCURA's YouTube Tuesdays** - Free access to a variety of short videos addressing research administration topics.

**NIH Grants YouTube Channel**— Free access to informational videos that provide NIH updates.

**NIH October Deadlines Rescheduled**— Due to the lapse in government funding, NIH released an announcement to reschedule October’s grant application deadlines to November. Please view the announcement for further information.

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**Kudos Corner**

Congratulations to Sergiy Borodachov who received $1,000 from the Mathematical Association of America. Borodachov will participate in the 2014 MAA Regional Conference.

Congratulations to Dr. Harald Beck who received $10,785 from the National Park Service. Dr. Beck’s project entitled “Pilot Study of Dietary Preferences and Genetic Typing of Coyotes” is a non-invasive study to quantify the dietary preferences of coyotes (*Canis latrans*) within the National Capital Region.
Sponsor: National Leadership Grants for Libraries  

Deadline(s): 02/03/2014

Description: The National Leadership Grant program accepts applications under three main categories:

- **Advancing Digital Resources** - Support the creation, use, presentation, and preservation of significant digital resources as well as the development of tools to enhance access, use, and management of digital assets.

- **Research** - Support research that investigates key questions that are important to museum, library, and archival practice.

- **Demonstration** - Support projects that produce a replicable model or practice that is usable, adaptable, or scalable by other institutions for improving services and performance.

Click [here](#) to view the RFP!

Sponsor: National Endowment for the Humanities

Deadline(s): 01/15/2014

Description: NEH is soliciting proposals from institutions to participate in the National Digital Newspaper Program (NDNP). NDNP is creating a national digital resource of historically significant newspapers published between 1836 and 1922, from all the states and U.S. territories. This searchable database will be permanently maintained at the Library of Congress (LC) and will be freely accessible via the Internet.

Click [here](#) to view the RFP!

Sponsor: William T. Grant Foundation  

Deadline(s): 01/08/2014

Description: The William T. Grant Foundation's Distinguished Fellows Program is designed to increase the supply of, demand for, and use of high-quality research in the service of improved youth outcomes. To accomplish this goal, the program gives influential mid-career researchers the opportunity to immerse themselves in practice or policy settings, and gives influential practitioners and policy makers the opportunity to work in research settings.

Click [here](#) to view the RFP!
Specific OSPR Services Include:

- Assist with the proposal budget preparation and development
- Research and disseminate funding opportunities
- Facilitate institutional routing/approvals of proposals
- Submit proposals and other required documents to sponsors
- Assist with electronic proposal development and submission
- Provide institutional certification and/or assurances when required
- Serve as liaison between the University and sponsor to resolve sponsored award related concerns/issues
- Initiate sponsored award account set-up
- Facilitate sponsored award close-out functions
- Host regular events to educate faculty/staff with the administration of sponsored awards
- Ensure compliance with applicable federal, state, local and University policies and regulations

Grant Writing Workshop

Please join OSPR for a One-Day Grant Writing Workshop on January 16, 2014, "10 Steps to Writing Winning Proposals" hosted by Judith Kil- len, Ph.D. This workshop guarantees to provide you with the necessary tools to write, package, and submit an impeccable proposal.

RSVP now – space is limited! We look forward to you joining us!

Click here to RSVP!

Post Award Update

Faculty members no longer have to submit the Sponsored Project Employment Contract to receive additional compensation on a grant. Don’t forget to turn in your Time & Effort Report in December! Please visit our Post-Award Office webpage.

Campus Assignments

One of our major goals here in OSPR is to communicate effectively with our faculty members. In order for us to accomplish that goal we have assigned a staff member to support each college. Please see the campus assignment list here!