Managing Your Awards

Have you recently been awarded a grant or contract and aren’t sure where to begin? Do you have an active award but aren’t sure how to spend from it, or if an expense is allowable on that award?

Good news—the answers to all those questions, and more, can be found on the OS-PR’s newly redesigned website!

To visit the site, go to: http://www.towson.edu/main/research/ospr/grants/

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Grant Management Services staff: Leena Dave, Ryan Parker, or Patrick Forgione.

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Warm weather is finally here! Enjoy some time outside this May!

Please click on the following links below to review some information and updates!

◊ **NEA Summit on Creative Aging in America**: May 18th

By invitation only. The general sessions will be webcast and highlights from the day will be featured.

◊ **Update**: New Bio-Sketch format required for NIH grant applications for due dates on or after May 25, 2015

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**Kudos Corner**

Congratulations to Dr. Donna Cox, who received over $150,000 from the Maryland Department of Mental Health and Hygiene for her Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs prevention program.

Congratulations to Dr. Michal Balass, who received $10,000 from the Language Learning Journal of Research for her project titled “The Effects of Type, Quantity, and Quality of Context on Adult Vocabulary Learning and Retention.”
Sponsor: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Deadline(s): 6/5/15

Description: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is soliciting proposals from eligible applicants to build or refine state/tribal/local government wetland programs—awards will range from approximately $50,000 to $400,000, depending on the track chosen (state universities may take either track 1 or track 2). Projects will begin around September 1st, 2015, with periods not to exceed four years.

Click here to view the RFP!

Sponsor: NEH- Division of Preservation and Access  
Deadline(s): 6/25/2015

Description: The Research and Development program supports projects that address major challenges in preserving or providing access to humanities collections and resources. These challenges include the need to find better ways to preserve materials of critical importance to the nation's cultural heritage—from fragile artifacts and manuscripts to analog recordings and digital assets subject to technological obsolescence—and to develop advanced modes of organizing, searching, discovering, and using such materials. Programs doing planning and basic research may request up to $75,000; programs dealing with advanced implementation may request up to $350,000.

Click here to view the RFP!

Sponsor: United States—Japan Foundation  
Deadline(s): 7/15/15

Description: The United States-Japan Foundation offers grants in the areas of Pre-College Education, Communication / Public Opinion, US-Japan Policy Studies and operates the United States-Japan Leadership Program. A letter of inquiry for the upcoming fall grant cycle is due 7/15/15, with full proposals due 8/31/15 if chosen.

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

**USDE Programs**

The U.S. Dept. of education recently released several popular programs and grants for FY15. See them below!

- Investing in Innovation Development Grants
- Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need
- Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program

The Title III: Strengthening Institutions Programs program is still pending release.

**New GA Rates**

The TU Office of Graduate Studies has recently released an updated Graduate Assistant Schedule of stipend and waiver rates and dates.

The update information can be found directly [here](#) in PDF form, or via our website’s [Develop Your Proposal page](#).

Questions, or comments regarding Access Granted can be directed to the editors, Jai-lyn Elliott or Will Jackson.