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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

*Research Day at the Oklahoma Capitol
April 11, 2013*

*SWOSU Research and Scholarly Activities Fair
April 26, 2013
Memorial Student Union*



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WHITE HOUSE DIRECTS OPEN ACCESS FOR GOVERNMENT RESEARCH

In response to a “We the People” online petition begun after the suicide of Internet-openness activist Aaron Swartz in January, the White House issued a [memorandum](#) directing federal agencies with more than \$100 million in research and development expenditures to develop plans to make the results of federally funded research publically available free of charge within 12 months after original publication.

The 12-month embargo period will be used by

agencies to develop policies to implement the di-

rective and provide a mechanism for stakeholders to petition the agency to change that period and allow for public input. The White House stated that they hope improving the management and sharing of scientific data will promote entrepreneurship and jobs growth in addition to driving scientific progress.

To read the official response to the online petition by the Office of Science and Technology Policy, go [here](#).

OSP will endeavor to keep you apprised of further details as they become available.



EFFECTS OF SEQUESTRATION ON GRANTS, CONTRACTS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

In January, in anticipation of the potential sequestration, the [White House advised federal agencies](#) to, among other things, “review grants and contracts to determine where cost savings may be achieved in a manner that is consistent with the applicable terms and conditions, remaining mindful of the manner in which individual contracts or grants advance the core mission

of the agency.” Once sequestration went into effect, federal agencies published notifications as to how they will proceed. We have received and researched notifications from federal agencies to determine the potential effect of sequestration on SWOSU’s fiscal year 2013 grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements. What follows is what each of the agencies is advising.

National Science Foundation: At NSF, the major impact of sequestration will be seen in reductions to the number of new research grants and cooperative agreements awarded in FY 2013. They anticipate that the total number of new research grants will be reduced by approximately 1,000. For some perspective, in [FY 2012 NSF awarded](#) 9,200 research grants. They also advise that all continuing

UPDATES

NSF revised its [Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide](#), including Part One, the [Grant Proposal Guide](#); the revisions went into effect as of January 14, 2013. The first few pages of the GPG set forth a summary of the changes. NSF also revised its [Grants.gov Application Guide](#), which also went into effect on January 14, 2013.

NSF has also begun automated compliance checking in FastLane to ensure all required sections of a full proposal are submitted. For further information, follow [this link](#) or contact OSP.

SWOSU's [Financial Conflict of Interest](#) policy was approved and is posted to the OSP website. The policy was devised to comport with regulations governing NIH and other Department of Public Health organizations that provide Public Health Service Funding. Major kudos to **Dr. Lori Gwyn** for drafting the policy and shepherding its approval. Further SWOSU policies regarding its implementation will follow — OSP will keep you advised.

OSP revised its [Proposal Review and Compliance form](#). Please visit the OPS site for a new PRC form for any new proposals (we plan further additions to the form).

KUDOS

Congratulations to the SWOSU students and faculty members who presented abstracts at Oklahoma Research Day, and a special kudos to faculty members who mentored the students.

Students:

Matthew Abbot
Haitham Alnaqeb
Nathan Bernhardt
Michael Brinkley
David Britton
Jamin Brown
Shiouyen Chu
Zella Classen
Josiah Dittrich
Michael Engel
Candace Fairman
Garrick Friesen
Melanie Graham
Matthew Griffith
Kaci Hall

Congratulations to the SWOSU students and their faculty-sponsors whose abstracts were accepted for the 2013 National Conference on Undergraduate Research!



Pictured: (front row) Ashley Rodriguez, Elizabeth St. John, Dr. Andrea Holgado, LaKeshia Seals, and Zella Classen; (back row) Jamin Brown, Kody McKay, Caleb Hubbard, Monte Stone, and Dr. Brian Campbell

Faculty:

Ms. Teri Allen, Dr. Dan Brown, Dr. Brian Campbell, Dr. Lisa Castle, Ms. Meghan Eliason, Dr. Trevor Ellis, Dr. Victor Gonzalez, Dr. Andrea Holgado, Dr. Faruk Khan, Dr. Warren Moseley, Dr. Eric Paul, Dr. Hardeep Saluja, Dr. Christopher Shane, Dr. Muatasem Ubeidat, and Ms. Xiaomiao Wang

Students (cont'd)

Tanya Harrelson
Hayden Harrington
Ashley Hartsell
Caleb Hubbard
Chenming Jiang
Andrew Mansour
Kody McKay
Claudia Nkeih
Davi Peetoom
Mary Ann Phillips
Darral Roark
Will Robinson
Ashley Rodriguez
LaKeshia Seals
Ariel Seward
Patrick Spears
Elizabeth St. John
Timothy Stein
Monte Stone
John Thompson
Christopher West
Tanner Wheeler
Aaron Wilson
Zixuan Zhu

Effects of Sequestration (cont'd)

grant increments in FY 2013 will be awarded as scheduled, and there will be no impact on existing NSF standard grants. They say the same *intent* applies to annual increments for cooperative agreements though overall funding constraints may require reductions to certain major investments, which will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

National Institutes for Health: The [NIH advises](#) that they are taking every step to mitigate the effect of the cuts, but it is possible that grants or cooperative agreement awards may be affected. Based on their initial analysis, they advise that they may not issue certain continuation awards; may negotiate a reduction in the scope of certain awards; or may re-scope, delay, or cancel plans for new grants or cooperative agreements. The budget cuts do not affect grant or cooperative awards made with FY 2012 resources. They will contact those affected by the FY 2013 budget cuts.

NASA: NASA likewise advises that they are taking every step to mitigate the effects of the cuts, but existing grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements may be affected. They also advise that plans for new and existing work may be re-scoped, delayed, or canceled depending upon the nature of the work and the degree to which it directly affects NASA's mission goals. They will contact those affected by the budget cuts.

U.S. Dept. of Education: The Department of Education issued a [statement](#) as to impacts that sequestration will have on financial aid programs; insofar as grant-related projects are concerned, regrettably, they expect to cut TRIO programs, such as Upward Bound, by five percent for the remainder of FY 13.

MORE KUDOS

OK-EPSCoR RESEARCH DAY AT OKLAHOMA CAPITOL

Congratulations to SWOSU student **Terence Tanjong** for being selected by the University Research and Scholarly Activities Committee to represent SWOSU at the upcoming OK-EPSCoR Research Day at the Oklahoma Capitol on April 11, 2013. The title of his abstract is "Novel Cyclen-Based Anti-malarials: Synthesis and *In Vitro* Metabolism Studies." His faculty-sponsor is **Dr. Faruk Khan**. Other researchers include **Dr. Prince Amoyaw**, Research Assistant, College of Pharmacy at SWOSU.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARDS

We are delighted to announce that **Dr. Lisa Castle**, **Dr. Victor Gonzalez**, and **Dr. Brian Campbell** received Proposal Development Awards for 2013-14. Congratulations!

GRANTS SUBMITTED

Major kudos to the following faculty and staff members who have submitted grant proposals this year:

Dr. Lisa Appeddu
Ms. Madeline Baugher
Dr. Lisa Castle
Mr. Brad Fitzgerald
Dr. Victor Gonzalez
Dr. Lori Gwyn
Ms. Judy Haught

Dr. Andrea Holgado
Dr. Tim Hubin
Dr. Jason Johnson
Dr. William Kelly
Dr. David Martyn
Ms. Jamey Novey
Mr. Todd Parker

Dr. Richard Tirk
Mr. Jeff Walker
Ms. Xiaomiao Wang

GRANTS AWARDED

Congratulations to the following faculty members for grants awarded thus far this year:

Lisa Appeddu and **Andrea Holgado**, Biological Sciences, and **Lori Gwyn**, Chemistry and Physics, "Tech Trek Camp," City of Weatherford, Hotel-Motel Committee, \$2,800.

Lisa Appeddu and **Andrea Holgado**, Biological Sciences, and **Lori Gwyn**, Chemistry and Physics, "Tech Trek Camp," Weatherford Rotary Club, \$250.

Madeline Baugher, Accounting, Computer Science, and Entrepreneurship, "Oklahoma NASA EPSCoR - Research Implementation Grant," National Aeronautics and Space Administration-EPSCoR through The University of Oklahoma, \$10,144.

Madeline Baugher, Accounting, Computer Science, and Entrepreneurship, "Oklahoma Space Grant Consortium - NASA Scholarships and Workforce Development," National Aeronautics and Space Administration through The University of Oklahoma, \$27,834.

Brad Fitzgerald, Industrial and Engineering Technology, "Oklahoma FTC Robotics Championship 2013," City of Weatherford, Hotel-Motel Committee, \$2,500.

Andrea Holgado, Biological Sciences, "RUI: Modulation of Synaptic Vesicle Exocytosis in *C. elegans*," National Science Foundation, \$163,295.

William Kelly, Chemistry & Physics, "Oklahoma IDeA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence," National Institutes of Health through The University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, \$30,000.

GRANT WRITING WORKSHOPS

Search and Select Grant Resources

March 29, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Oklahoma College Access Program – 840 Research Parkway, Suite 450, Oklahoma City

This workshop provides an overview of how to search for different kinds of grant resources. We will look for higher education research grants, higher education program grants, and community organization foundation grants. Participants will have more success by bringing a laptop and a flash drive to conduct searches.

There is no fee, but you must register to attend. Send your contact information and affiliation to lmason@osrhe.edu.

Beginning Grant Writing: The Process

April 5, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Oklahoma College Access Program – 840 Research Parkway, Suite 450, Oklahoma City

This workshop is for persons who have not written a grant proposal or who want to write a grant proposal soon. The process of writing a grant will be covered. Participants will actually write and critique their writing in the workshop. A laptop and a flash drive are required.

There is no fee, but you must register to attend. Send your contact information and affiliation to lmason@osrhe.edu.

Professional Grant Development Workshop

Master the techniques of writing superior and winning proposals

April 8-10, 2013

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Oklahoma State University

Sponsored by: The Grant Training Center

This intensive three-day grant proposal workshop is geared for: 1) those who wish to strengthen their grant writing skills and 2) beginners who wish to acquire and master the techniques of preparing, writing and winning proposals from various funding agencies. The center of attention will be on how to effectively write proposals in times of keen competition and limited resources. Much has happened in new regulations and in approaches to grant writing, be it for the researcher in the sciences and social sciences, education and non-profit professionals.

*Space is limited and, since this class fills-up quickly, it is on a first-come, first-served basis. Workshop Fee: \$595.00 (including tuition, materials, certificate of completion, and continental breakfast). Rebate of \$50.00 per person is given for two or more registrants from the same organization.

To enroll, click [here](#). or call (866)-704-7268 or (571) 257-8864.

2013 OSRHE Grant Writing Institute

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education invites first-time and novice grant writers to participate in a summer Grant Writing Institute. The purpose of the Institute is *to complete a grant proposal by the end of the week for submission soon thereafter*. Participants will create a grant proposal concept, select a solicitation, and send all information regarding the proposal with the application.

Dates of Institute: July 29 to August 2

Institute begins at 3:00 pm on July 29 and ends at 1:00 pm on August 2. Days are 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Application Due Date: April 15, 2013

For more information, click [here](#).