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Research Funders Implement Strong Anti-Harassment Policies

Federal sponsors are implementing new policies to ensure safe, respectful work environments at institutions that receive their research funding. These changes require institutions (i) have policies and procedures that foster a harassment-free environment and (ii) report back to these sponsors when a sponsor-funded individual is involved in harassment case. The National Science Foundation's (NSF) new policy is effective 10/21/18

and outlines core obligations for awardees. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) launched a new, central webpage that collects all of the materials for its anti-sexual harassment program. For those engaged in NIH funded activities please ensure you understand NIH's policies and procedures for Preventing and Addressing Harassment and Inappropriate Conduct. Effective immediately, Drexel will comply with the new reporting requirements in accordance with the processes outlined by each sponsor. Should you have any questions, please email oed@drexel.edu or research@drexel.edu.

News & Announcements

Preparing for the Future of Research at Drexel

The research enterprise at Drexel is thriving. The measures of scholarly publications, sponsored research, patent production, and community impact are impressive and some are at all-time highs. So, it is from this position of strength that we want to reflect on what makes Drexel's research enterprise unique. We invite the research community to help develop research mission and vision statements at a series of town halls. We will also spend time discussing the challenges and opportunities associated with the research mission. These activities will play a critical role in helping to create a University Research Strategic Plan. The first town hall will be held on the **University CIty Campus, Tuesday, November 27 from 2-5 p.m. at Behrakis Grand Hall**. The second will be on the **Center City Campus on Wednesday, November 28 from 2-5 p.m. at the 201 Hotel** (201 North 17th Street). In order to participate, registration is required no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, November 23. If you have questions, please email research@drexel.edu. We look forward to your participation!

2019 CURE Solicitation

The Commonwealth Universal Research Enhancement (CURE) 2019 Formula Grant Program invites Drexel University interdisciplinary program initiatives involving clinical, health services, and/or biomedical research. This year's program places a high priority on the value of collaboration across academic units within Drexel, requires collaboration of multiple investigators and must address a central theme or hypothesis rather than be a collection of studies. The maximum budget allowed for direct costs is $75,000. **Completed applications are due in the** Drexel University Funding Portal **no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, December 12, 2018**. Emailed applications will not be accepted. View the full RFP and required application forms on the Drexel University Funding Portal.

Seeking Research Projects for Medical Students

Faculty members from across Drexel who are willing to sponsor medical student research projects are invited to submit information on any research opportunities they may have. Opportunities are welcome from investigators with ongoing projects or from those with an idea for a new project who are willing to mentor students to carry out the research. If you have a potential research project, please provide a brief description of the project in our centralized database, where medical students can search, allowing them to connect with faculty directly. For more information, contact Marie Hartman at mh37@drexel.edu.

Revised NSF Proposal & Award Policies Guide

The NSF has announced that a revised version of the NSF Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide (PAPPG), (NSF 19-1) has been issued and is **effective for proposals submitted, or due, on or after January 28, 2019**. Significant changes include: addition of Research.gov as an option for proposal preparation and submission, and proposal file updates; revision of eligibility standards for unaffiliated individuals; revision of resubmission guidelines for NSF programs that accept proposals at any time; implementation of NSF's policy on sexual harassment and other forms of harassment or sexual assault; and more. All are welcome to register for a webinar that will brief the community on the changes on **November 27 at 2 p.m. EST**. Questions regarding these changes may be directed to the DIAS Policy Office at policy@nsf.gov.

New RAAC Co-Chairs

Drexel's Research Administration Advisory Committee (RAAC) has elected new co-chairs effective September 2018. Colleen Cannon, Assistant Director of Research Operations in the College of Computing & Informatics and Chad Morris, Director of Research Development for the College of Engineering will help to facilitate the goals of the RAAC as it works to strengthen the University's research administration infrastructure. We offer a heartfelt thanks to Marie Fazio for her stellar leadership as outgoing co-chair.

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Pledges $100 Million for Infection Research

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation has announced that it will commit at least $100 million over the next five years as part of an ambitious effort to address the chronic and intractable infections that are characteristic of cystic fibrosis. "Infection is a leading cause of loss of lung function among patients with CF and, as a result, frequent and long-term use of anti-infectives is often a necessary burden of managing the disease," said William R. Skach, the foundation's senior vice president of research affairs. The Infection Research Initiative will take a comprehensive approach to improving outcomes associated with infections through enhanced detection, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment and will more than double the foundation's investment in the area.

Funding Opportunity Resources

Spotlighted External Funding Opportunities

NIH Collaborative Study on the Genetics of Alcoholism (COGA)

NIH Promoting Research on Music and Health: Phased Innovation Award for Music Interventions

NSF Quantum Computing & Information Science Faculty Fellows (QCIS-FF)

NSF Partnerships for Innovation (PFI)

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grand Challenges Round 22

PCORI Improving Methods for Conducting Patient-Centered Outcomes Research

Extramural Funding
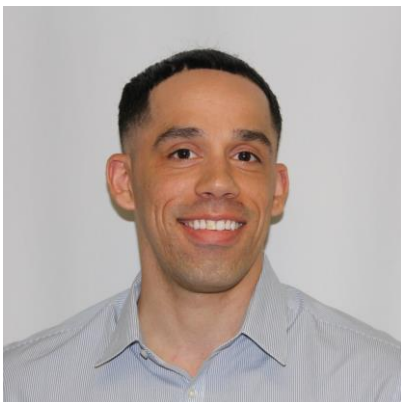
University Libraries

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Drexel University Funding Portal

Meet Our Staff

Aaron Fore

Research Accountant, Research Accounting Services (RAS)
Aaron has worked as a RAS Research Accountant for the past 5 months. In this role, he is responsible for analyzing and reconciling grant funds and accounts in order to identify errors and discrepancies. Aaron communicates with sponsors and subcontractors regarding contract and budget modifications. He also operates as a functional liaison in support of individual faculty, principal investigators, departmental administrators, and others to effectively manage externally sponsored awards.

When not working hard at Drexel, Aaron is an avid chess player who has even competed in a few tournaments!

Events & Education

Please join us for our Fall workshop series covering a wide range of Research Administration topics. Upcoming sessions include:

DATE	WORKSHOP TITLE
November 20	Final Rule: Human Subjects
November 28	AAHRPP Accreditation
December 4	Thw ABCs of Setting Up an Award

Locations vary and seats are limited so sign up through Career Pathway today. We look forward to seeing you!

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- Select Career Pathway under the "Development and Certifications" header
- Use the Events Calendar under the Learning tab to find a session or select "Workplace Skills" from the left menu to narrow the search
- Select the Request button to register

The Office of Research will also create personalized presentations for faculty, support staff, students and anyone involved in the administration or conduct of research at Drexel. For more information about developing a session tailored to the needs and location of your group, please contact us.

We Want To Hear From YOU!

Let us know what you like (or don't like) about our newsletter and which research administration topics you'd like to learn more about. All feedback is welcome.

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