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Happy Holidays from the Office of Research!

The Office of Research extends warm wishes to the entire Drexel community for a safe and enjoyable holiday season and prosperity in the New Year. Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to working with you in 2018.

Marcolongo Selected as 2017 NAI Fellow

The National Academy of Inventors (NAI) Fellows Selection Committee has chosen Drexel's own Michele Marcolongo, PhD, professor and department head for Materials Science and Engineering, as a 2017 NAI Fellow for "demonstrating a highly prolific spirit of innovation in creating or facilitating outstanding inventions that have made a tangible impact on quality of life, economic development, and the welfare of society." Please join us in congratulating Michele on this great achievement and recognition as a truly prolific academic inventor. LEARN MORE ABOUT NAI >



News & Announcements

WELL Center Symposium

The WELL Center, a newly established interdisciplinary hub for clinical research in obesity, eating disorders and physical activity at Drexel University, warmly welcomes attendees to its inaugural research symposium on Friday, March 9, 2018, from noon to 3 p.m. Presenters will share their research on eating behavior, physical activity and weight management. Undergraduate and graduate students. research fellows. professional staff, and faculty across disciplines are invited to submit abstracts for "flash talks" on their research. Abstracts are due no later than Monday, January 15, 2018. For more information and to register, please visit the WELL Center website.

2017-2018 Research, Scholarship and Creativity Awards

To support the ongoing development of our research, scholarship and creative activities, as well as recognize excellence in teaching, scholarship and professional service, the Office of Research and the Office of Faculty Affairs are pleased to announce the 2017-2018 Research, Scholarship and Creativity Awards, and the 2017-2018 Provost Awards for Teaching, Scholarship and Professional Service. An information session to discuss award guidelines will be offered on Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018 from 1 p.m. -2:30 p.m. in Sky View (6th floor of MacAlister Hall). Please RSVP by Jan. 9. Click here to RSVP.

NIH Project Outcomes Sections to be Public

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has announced that it will publicly post the Project Outcomes Section of all Final and Interim Research Performance Progress Reports submitted on or after Oct. 1, 2017, and make them available to the general public via the NIH Research Portfolio Online Reporting Tool (RePORTER). **Read More...**

Countdown to FINAL Rule Transition 2018

Thank you for submitting your new research protocol before Nov. 24, 2017, enabling the Institutional Review Board staff and committee reviewers to complete their reviews under the "old" Common Rule. New submissions received after Nov. 24. 2017, will be reviewed under the New Common Rule regulations and will require the use of the new informed consent template. Please contact the Human Research Protection office at 215.762.3944 or

hrpp@drexel.edu to request the NOW REQUIRED revised consent form template and with any questions related to Drexel's implementation of the New Common Rule regulations.

NIH Enforcement of Closeout Policies

NIH is strengthening enforcement of longstanding closeout requirements, outlined in the NIH Grants Policy Statement Section 8.6, Closeout. NIH has consistently reminded recipients of their responsibility to submit timely, accurate final grant expenditure reports, final technical reports, and other documents required for closeout. NIH will no longer delay the closeout of awards unless the recipient submits a prior approval request to the Institute or Center (IC) providing an acceptable written justification. Without prior approval from the awarding IC, NIH will initiate unilateral closeout for all awards that fail to meet closeout requirements within 120 days as required by the NIH Grants Policy Statement. Read More...

Carry On and Carry Forward?

"To Carryover or Not to Carryover: That is the Question," is the provocative title of an article, co-authored by Drexel's own Assistant Director for Pre-award Administration Bob Sullivan, in the December issue of the magazine published by the National Council of University Research Administrators. Click below on the link to the PDF magazine to read more about carry forward, why some institutions restrict carryover of funds from one vear to the next on subcontracts, and why others do not impose such restrictions. Read More...

Funding Opportunity Resources

Spotlighted External Funding Opportunities

DoD Defense Enterprise Science Initiative (DESI) >

NIST Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship >

NIH Translational Research in Pediatric and Obstetric Pharmacology and Therapeutics >

NIH T2 Translational Research on Aging (SBIR) >

NSF Fluid Dynamics and Particulate and Multiphase Processes Research at the International Space

Station to Benefit Life on Earth >

Extramural Funding Search Engine

University Libraries >

Internal Funding and Limited Submissions

Drexel University Funding Portal >

Meet Our Staff

Megan (Meg) Newsome

Grants Administrator, Pre-Award Team

As a grants administrator, Megan acts as a bridge between faculty researchers, Drexel University and the sponsors of externally funded projects. She assists with proposal preparation while ensuring compliance with Drexel and funding agency regulations. Meg has been employed with Drexel University for 11 years: 10 with the Office of the General Counsel; one in the Office of Research. Meg is currently pursuing a Masters of Legal Studies Program, with a concentration in Healthcare Compliance, through Drexel's Thomas R. Kline School of Law. She anticipates graduating in May 2018. In her free time, she enjoys playing drum set with her seven-year-old son, Jack.



Events & Education

The Office of Research offers a full series of on-site workshops every spring and fall, covering a wide range of research administration topics including eRA, pre-award, post-award, compliance, human research protection and sponsor-specific topics (NIH, NSF, etc.). Dates for our Spring 2018 Workshop Series will be published soon. We 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**.

Submit your Suggestions

We want to hear from you! Please send feedback and events, articles, and news suggestions for inclusion in this publication to **Stacia Levy**.

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