RESEARCH, ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH UPDATE

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COVID-19 Funding for Social Sciences

New funding opportunities and resources related to the social sciences and COVID-19 are available from CONVERGE, the Social Science Research Council and the USDA. Find them along with others particularly suited to UNH here. A Quick Guide to the resources is also available. Information is updated daily. Please send any new opportunities or resources to Lynnette Hentges.
Research Development & Grant Writing News

The latest issue is [here](#).

FY20 Time and Effort Certification

The FY20 effort certification process will launch on September 1 and must be completed by September 30 in WISE on the Banner 9.0 platform (no Flash required). As in past years, graduate students are certified by the principal investigator; PAT research staff and postdocs may certify for themselves or be certified by an alternate on request. More information will be sent to certifiers as the certification period approaches. Please help us achieve 100% completion by the deadline in this important compliance activity!

Responsible Conduct of Research Training

The Responsible Conduct of Research and Scholarly Activity (RCR) Committee is offering an online RCR training session in October that is open to the campus community. This training opportunity involves two components:

- Completion of UNH’s web-based RCR instructional modules (available at [https://rit.sr.unh.edu/training/rcr.shtml](https://rit.sr.unh.edu/training/rcr.shtml)), followed by
- Participation in a seminar on Friday, October 9, 2020, 1:00-4:00 p.m. via Zoom

Information about the training and registration is available [here](#). Interested individuals must register for the training by Thursday, October 1, 2020. This training meets the NSF and USDA NIFA RCR training requirements. For more information, please contact Julie Simpson.

Updates to NSF Existing Proposal and Award Policy Guidance

National Science Foundation (NSF) has made updates to the following guidance on their website based on inquiries from the community:

- [Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on NSF’s Implementation of OMB Memorandum M-20-26](#);
- [FAQs on Current & Pending Support](#); and
- [NSF-approved Formats for the Biographical Sketch](#) website.

The updates provide clarifications on professional appointments, research endeavors, principal investigators working outside the U.S. for an extended period of time and reporting on in-kind support and outside consulting activities.

Fall Courses of Interest
GRAD 930 - Ethics in Research and Scholarship (offered online in fall 2020): This is an interdisciplinary graduate seminar where students explore a wide range of issues related to the ethical conduct of research and scholarship. This course helps prepare students to conduct themselves as researchers in accordance with today’s standards for scientific integrity and professional ethics. Classes are predominantly discussion-based, relying on case analysis; guest speakers address topics from a variety of perspectives. Completion of this course meets the graduate school’s incoming PhD student RCR training requirement as well as the NSF’s and the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture’s RCR training requirement. More information [here](#), or contact the instructors, [Maria Emanuel](#) or [Julie Simpson](#).

INCO 791/GRAD 981 - National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Preparation: This course is designed to enable seniors and graduate students to receive information, guidance, and support in applying for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP). Undergraduate student [registration](#); Graduate student [registration](#).

**Implementation of New IRB Software**

The Office of Research, Economic Engagement and Outreach is implementing Cayuse, a cloud-based, comprehensive grant management and research compliance software. One module (Cayuse IRB) is for managing protocols submitted to the UNH Institutional Review Board (IRB) for research involving human subjects. With Cayuse IRB, researchers will be able to streamline IRB submissions and have online access to their IRB protocol records. Some benefits of Cayuse IRB for researchers include:

- Easy to use electronic forms with autofill features
- Ability to submit and certify protocols from their computer or device
- Real-time online submission tracking
- Centralized IRB record management from initial submission through study closure

More information, including information about training and resources, will be provided in the coming months once the go-live date is established. In the meantime please contact IRB staff with questions: [Melissa McGee](#), [Susan Jalbert](#), or [Julie Simpson](#).

**Good News**

A [new grant](#) to UNH Extension aims to help N.H. residents better manage chronic pain and avoid the pitfalls of addictive opioids. [New research](#) from psychology professor Jack Mayer explores over-confidence and personal intelligence. Nathan Furey, assistant professor of biological sciences, [received an NSF grant](#) to study the impact of warming waters on fish migrations and diets. NRESS Ph.D. student Natalie Lousbury is a [2020 Switzer Fellow](#). Please send research news — high-impact results, new grants, awards and more — to [Beth Potier](#).
Sad News

UNH mourns the passing of longtime plant breeding researcher and professor emeritus J. Brent Loy.