RESEARCH, ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH UPDATE

August 11, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What Constitutes “Essential” Travel?

Due to budgetary restraints, the university has suspended all non-essential university-funded travel until further notice. Researchers who to engage in “essential” sponsored travel should follow university travel guidance. For the purposes of sponsored programs, essential travel is travel required for a professional purpose that is necessary and cannot be postponed or handled remotely. Examples include travel that must happen:

- If the researcher is in jeopardy of not completing research on time.
- If the researcher is conducting critical research or work that can only be performed in person.
- If the research progress and funding prospects are jeopardized by continued delays.
- If the student will not be able to complete their degree requirement.
Laboratory Door Caution Signs

Are the emergency contacts listed on your laboratory caution sign up to date? Caution signs are posted outside every campus laboratory where hazardous materials are used or stored. Please review signs you are responsible for and request updates in UNHCEMS or by contacting Karrie Myer.

Shipment of Hazardous Materials

Does your research require you to transport or ship hazardous materials such as flammable solvents, dry ice, compressed gas, or other hazardous chemicals? EHS provides training and support to ensure shipments are safe and compliant with regulations. Contact Andy Glode for more information.

UNH IBC

The Institutional Biosafety Committee meets every other month with meeting dates for 2021 and 2022 published on the Institutional Biosafety Committee webpage. Please submit protocols by the due date listed for consideration at the next meeting.

Broadening Participation in Research Workshop Series

The Office of Research, Economic Engagement and Outreach and the Graduate School are offering a three-part Broadening Participation in Research series this fall. Topics explored will include why creating a diverse lab is important, strategies to diversify your lab and create a more inclusive environment, and strategies to expand the reach of your work through engagement with the broader UNH community. All sessions will be in Hamilton Smith 150 between 12:40 and 2:00 pm. Session dates and registration links are here:

- September 14 registration
- October 12 registration
- November 9 registration

Download the flyer here.

COVID-19 Funding and Research Resources

See COVID-19 Funding Opportunities, Research Priorities, and Resources and the Quick Guide - Resources Supporting COVID-19 Research.
Research Development Newsletters

- Research Development & Grant Writing News – July 2021
- Lewis-Burke’s Monthly Defense Policy newsletter – Aug 2021

Workshop Resources

Did you miss a workshop? Slides and resources from past programs are available on the Research and Large Center Development website and the Research Communications Academy website.

Limited Submission Programs to Act on Now

Because some sponsors limit the number of applications from an institution, please contact Mark Milutinovich as soon as possible if you are interested in applying to any of the following. Be sure to watch for our email at the start of each month for a more comprehensive list or check current LSP Deadlines.

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Research Integrity Services Drop-In Zoom Office Hours in August

Research Integrity Services will continue to offer drop-in Zoom “office hours” through the month of August. Through August 31, stop by any Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday between 3:00 – 4:00 pm or Wednesday or Friday between 9:00 – 10:00 am with your questions about using Cayuse Human Ethics for IRB applications, using Cayuse Outside Interests for external activity disclosures, or general research compliance matters. Click the hyperlinks for more information, including the current Zoom link and up-to-date schedule.

UNH Institutional Review Board Fall 2021 Semester Meeting Schedule

The UNH Institutional Review Board (IRB) for the Protection of Human Subjects has set the Fall 2021 semester meeting schedule for the review of applications requiring Full Board review. Please contact Susan Jalbert (603) 862-3536, Melissa McGee (603) 862-2005, or Julie Simpson (603) 862-2003 with questions.

UNH Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee Fall 2021 Semester Meeting Schedule

The UNH Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) has set the Fall 2021 semester meeting schedule for the review of applications for the use of vertebrate animals in research or instruction. Please contact Susan Jalbert (603) 862-3536 or Julie Simpson (603) 862-2003 with questions.

Fall Courses of Interest

INCO 791/GRAD 981 — National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Preparation (GRFP): This Fall 2021 course is designed to enable seniors and graduate students to receive information, guidance, and support in applying for the NSF GRFP. Undergraduate student registration information can be found here, and graduate student registration can be found here.

GRAD 930 — Ethics in Research and Scholarship (offered online in Fall 2021): 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, Julie Simpson or Maria Emanuel.

GOOD NEWS
The Institute on Disability has received a funding award of $4.8 million to study how telehealth can improve mental health outcomes of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. A new brief from the Carsey School and Paul College economics professors Karen Conway and Robert Mohr finds “backpack” food programs are linked to higher test scores for schoolchildren. “Aging in America: Justice for All?” is the subject of the 2021-22 Sidore Memorial Lecture Series. Students from Puerto Rico and Mauritius came to UNH for an eight-week marine science internship. The College Health and Nutrition Assessment Survey is a classroom innovation that has generated a trove of valuable data on college student health and nutrition. UNH is leading research into the bark disease that imperils New England’s iconic beech trees. Read more UNH research news here, and please send research news — high-impact results, new grants, awards, and more — to Beth Potier.