



University of New Hampshire

Office of the Senior Vice Provost for Research,  
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## RESEARCH, ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH UPDATE

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Did You Know? Guide to Using AI in Research

On December 14, the National Science Foundation (NSF) announced the following guidelines on the use of generative AI in the development and evaluation of proposals submitted to it for funding:

- NSF reviewers are prohibited from uploading any content from proposals, review information and related records to non-approved generative AI tools.
- Proposers are encouraged to indicate in the project description the extent to which, if any, generative AI technology was used and how it was used to develop their proposal. More information is [here](#).

The UNH Responsible Conduct of Research and Scholarly Activity (RCR) Committee has published a [Simple Guide to Using Generative Artificial Intelligence Writing Tools in Research and Scholarship at UNH](#) to help researchers

understand the fundamental issues with these technologies regarding research integrity.

### Research Framework for Agriculture, Forestry and Working Lands

The National Climate Change Roadmap provides a framework for science and funding grounded in a systems-based, highly participatory and just approach, which acknowledges the ongoing, evolving challenges of climate change. Read it [here](#).

### Institutional Review Board (IRB) Meetings

The UNH Institutional Review Board (IRB) for the Protection of Human Subjects in Research spring semester 2024 meeting schedule is available [here](#).

### Science in Shorts

Tell the world about your research in a one-minute video in this challenge from *Nature*. Applications close on Jan. 29, 2024. [Details](#)

### Reviewers Sought: EPSCoR

The National Science Foundation is seeking reviewers for the [EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Program: Track-2 Focused EPSCoR Collaborations](#) panels in March and April 2024. This year's Track-2 topical area is “advancing climate change research and resilience capacity to expand opportunities for disproportionately affected communities.” If you are interested, please fill out the following survey found [here](#). Completing the survey does not commit you to serving as a reviewer.

### February 2024 Ethical and Responsible Conduct of Research Training

Registration is open for the February 2024 [ethical and responsible conduct of research \(RCR\) training](#). The training involves completion of online [RCR instructional modules](#) and participation in a seminar Friday, Feb. 16, 2024, 1:10 - 4 p.m. in MUB Room 162. Participants must [register for the training](#) by Thursday, Feb. 8 and must complete the online modules prior to the seminar. Contact [Julie Simpson](#) with questions.

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES

### Department of Defense Minerva Initiative

The Minerva Research Initiative is the Department of Defense’s signature university-led social science research program, bringing together universities, research institutions and individual scholars to broaden the understanding of social, cultural, behavioral and political forces that shape U.S. strategic interests across the world. Minerva’s topics of interest in FY 2023 align closely with and support the Biden Administration’s national security priorities. DOD strongly encourages researchers interested in Minerva to submit white papers for evaluation prior to preparing a full proposal and are also encouraged to contact the appropriate point-of-contact for their topic of interest at least two weeks before the white paper deadline (Jan. 16, 2024) to discuss their ideas before submitting. Details, topic areas and points of contacts are [here](#).

### CIBBR Instrumentation Grant Program

The Center of Integrated Biomedical and Bioengineering Research (CIBBR) invites applications from investigators or groups of investigators at UNH to purchase or upgrade specialized instruments or integrated systems. To promote

cost effectiveness, encourage optimal sharing among individual investigators, research groups and departments and foster a collaborative multidisciplinary environment, instruments should be integrated into existing core facilities (e.g., UIC, HCGS, CIBBR cores) whenever possible. Preference will be given to instruments that benefit multiple investigators in a well-managed, shared instrumentation environment and include provisions for cost-sharing. Deadline: Jan. 22, 2024. Learn more [here](#).

For other UNH Internal Funding Opportunities, see the list [here](#).

### Limited Submission Programs to Act on Now

Because some sponsors limit the number of applications from an institution, please contact [Michael Thompson](#) as soon as possible if you are interested in applying to [any of these](#).

### Programs for Building Grant-Seeking Skills

The Research and Large Center Development office offers a variety of programs to help researchers and scholars hone their grant-seeking skills, whether they're beginners, experienced or somewhere in between. Explore [workshops by theme](#) to see the types of programs presented. See the [2023 – 2024 schedule](#) for details and registration.

### Workshop Resources

Slides and resources from past research development programs are available [here](#). Information from previous CoRE-funded projects, as well as resources to support collaborative and interdisciplinary research, are [here](#).

### Research Development Newsletters

Research Development & Grant Writing News [November 2023](#) [December 2023](#)  
Defense Policy Newsletter [December 2023](#)

### Proposal Review and Editing Services

Make use of the Research and Large Center Development office's free proposal review and editing services to increase the competitiveness of your grant proposals. A summary of services is available [here](#). Contact [Caitlin Aspinal](#) for more information.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Seacoast Sips of Science: Power of Persuasion

Thurs., Jan. 25, 2024

5:30 p.m.

Corner Point Brewing Company, Berwick, Maine

Seacoast Sips of Science, a series that brings UNH scientists into Seacoast-area breweries and other venues to share their latest research in a relaxed, interactive environment, explores persuasion and politics at its January event. Hear from UNH professors Michelle Gibbons (communications), Larry Hamilton (sociology) and Dante Scala (political science). Tickets \$5, \$2 for UNH students. Registration and tickets [here](#).

### Funding Scenarios and Search Strategies for Early Career Researchers and Scholars

Fri., Feb. 2, 2024

1:00 – 2:30 pm

Zoom, register [here](#).

No matter what your discipline or research interests, starting a research program and getting your first grant(s) can be challenging. Many sponsors recognize this and have programs exclusively for scholars who are just starting out in their independent careers. This session covers funding scenarios for moving toward independence as a scholar; providing an overview of the special funding opportunities available to early-career scholars from federal agencies, not-for-profits, and professional societies; and highlighting proven strategies and resources for searching for funding opportunities. Open to early-career faculty, postdocs and PhD students.

### GOOD NEWS

Congratulations to Marian McCord, senior vice provost for research, economic engagement and outreach; Marc Eichenberger, associate vice president and chief business development and innovation officer at UNH Innovation; and Michelline Dufort, director of the UNH CEO & Family Enterprise Center, on their selection to [NH Business Review's New Hampshire 200 list](#). USNH has [frozen 2024-25 in-state tuition](#) for the sixth consecutive year. UNH's Social Venture Innovation Challenge honored [six student and alumni projects](#). The fall 2023 issue of [Inquiry](#), UNH's journal of undergraduate research, is now out. Read more UNH research news [here](#), and follow UNH research on social media: [LinkedIn](#) [Instagram](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter/X](#). Send research news — high-impact results and grants, awards, compelling [photos and images](#) and more — to [Beth Potier](#) .

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