ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Online Trainings with CITI Program
This summer the REEO will transition to using the CITI Program online trainings instead of the current in-house trainings for IRB, IACUC, Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR), Conflicts of Interest, HIPAA and Export Controls, plus other research-related courses required by specific programs. The CITI Program courses will be available for anyone with a USNH email address in early June and the USNH single-sign-on has been activated. UNH modules will be retired at the end of August. For trainings that required renewal (e.g., IRB every three years, COI every four years), certificates of completion for the UNH modules will continue to be accepted until they have expired. Over the summer, staff will update webpages, documentation and other information to reflect the CITI Program modules for completing training. Updates will be shared in this newsletter as the project moves forward over the next couple of months.

Did You Know? On-Time Submissions, Starting a Research Group
By receiving and accepting an award for funding, investigators are committing to meeting all the associated requirements, including the submission of progress reports and final reports. Federal awarding agencies especially are increasingly enforcing the submission of timely reports. Failure to submit progress reports or final reports on time has led to audit findings, award processing delays and the withholding of funds across the university. If a project report will be submitted later than expected, it is important to inform the sponsor well in advance.

The UNH Responsible Conduct of Research and Scholarly Activity (RCR) Committee recently revised its Simple Guide to Starting a Research Group. This document, originally released in 2019, discusses key considerations when forming a collaborative research group with attention to conducting research with integrity and transparency. The 2024 version updates the 2019 with two new topics, expanded content and additional resources.

2024 Celebration of Researchers and Scholars Honors
On April 30, REEO celebrated the many UNH faculty, postdoctoral researchers, graduate students and staff who received prestigious external honors, prizes, special recognition or other accolades for their research, scholarship, creative, innovative or outreach achievements in 2023. See a list of those who were honored here.

Research Integrity Services Summer Drop-In Zoom Office Hours
Research Integrity Services will continue to hold drop-in Zoom “office hours” most Tuesdays from 9 to 10 a.m., Wednesdays from noon to 1 p.m. and Thursdays from 3 to 4 p.m. through the summer. Stop by with your questions about using Cayuse Human Ethics or Cayuse Outside Interests.

Institutional Review Board Meetings
The UNH Institutional Review Board (IRB) for the Protection of Human Subjects in Research summer 2024 meeting schedule is available here.

Animal Care Committee Meetings
The UNH Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee’s summer 2024 meeting schedule is here.

Annual Chemical Inventory Program Verification 2024
The annual chemical inventory verification program by Environmental Health & Safety is set to begin in June 2024 and continue through the end of July. Visit the EH&S website to learn more about how you can help prepare your laboratory for the inventory verification. Schedule updates will be posted to the page throughout the program. Reach out to Karrie Myer with questions.

NSF New Common Forms Now Available in SciENcv
NSF will require the use of these new Common Forms for proposals submitted with due dates on or after May 20, 2024. This webinar covered the policy behind NSF’s implementation in the Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG) (NSF 24-1) and provided a demonstration of the revised capability to create and download these required proposal documents in SciENcv.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES
**DEPSCoR Research Collaborations**
This funding opportunity aims to create basic research collaborations between a pair of researchers — a full-time faculty member who has never served as a PI on a prior Department of Defense directly funded research prime award and an investigator who will provide mentorship to the applicant and has served as a PI on a DoD directly funded research prime award actively between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2024. This structure is aimed at introducing potential applicants to the DoD’s unique research challenges and its supportive research ecosystem. Details and a “match-making” tool are here. Deadline for white papers is June 24, 2024.

**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.

**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 Aspinall for more information.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Tribal Research Partnerships: Indigenous Agroforestry, Food Security and Sovereignty**
May 29, 2024
2 – 3:30 p.m.
Virtual; register here

This webinar will highlight opportunities and challenges of transdisciplinary approaches within Tribal agroforestry and food security research. The panel will discuss a diversity of Tribal, academic, non-governmental organization and U.S. Department of Agriculture transdisciplinary research approaches; how and in what ways this research is serving tribal communities and overcoming challenges. Panelists will share information about what processes foster success among research partnership teams and highlight the role of partners in large-scale projects.

**National Science Foundation (NSF) Spring 2024 Grants Conference, June 3-5, 2024**
June 3 – 5, 2024
Philadelphia, PA, and hybrid

The grants conference provides new faculty, researchers and administrators valuable insights into various current issues at NSF. Program officers from each NSF directorate will be present to offer the latest information on specific funding opportunities and address questions from attendees. Registration for the hybrid conference in Philadelphia, PA is now open – NSF anticipates in-person registration will sell out quickly. Find the draft agenda and conference details here.

**Bioinnovations Symposium**
June 11– 12, 2024
DoubleTree by Hilton, Manchester
Hosted by NH EPSCoR, this symposium features 60 groundbreaking talks in science and engineering, networking with speakers and a tour of the Advanced Regenerative Manufacturing Institute’s Tissue Foundry. New speakers are announced weekly. Preview the agenda and list of speakers. Register here.

INCO 791/GRAD 891 – National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Preparation
Aug. 28 – Oct. 18, 2024 (half term)

This course (undergraduate and graduate) is designed to enable students to receive information, guidance and support in applying for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP). Students will become familiar with the NSF, its mission and the selection criteria for this fellowship. Through independent work and collaborative exercises, students will strengthen their writing skills and develop a strong application. For more information contact Michael Thompson.

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