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Benjamin Laabs

March 2021 RCA Researcher of the Month

Ever since he was young, Ben Laabs has been fascinated about topics that many people find are too big to get their heads around. He spent hours thinking about why the earth works the way it does and how old were the geographic features of his native Wisconsin. As a youth, the NDSU associate professor of geosciences spent countless hours immersed in nature on the shoreline of Lake Michigan or at the various state and national parks he would visit. Ben enjoyed this time and found that he was developing a healthy curiosity about the world. However, he didn't realize at the time that geology could be a career choice for him. That didn't happen until years later when he took his first geology classes while studying physical therapy at the University of Wisconsin. He soon changed his major to geology after discovering a department full of both student and faculty mentors who represented a good match for what he always enjoyed about science and, most importantly, were having fun learning and researching.



The early impact of learning in a fun environment had a profound effect on Ben and

he has worked to create a similar setting for his students at NDSU. He enjoys helping them see their own unique sense of place in the natural world and within the science community. Ben believes strongly that taking his students out into the field and helping them see firsthand how the earth works is a great learning motivator. His students come from many disciplines and include both undergrad and graduate students.

After earning his doctorate at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Ben worked as an assistant professor at Gustavus Adolphus College in Minnesota and then at the State University of New York College (SUNY) at Geneseo, New York. Even though SUNY did not have a graduate program, Ben fondly remembers his nine years working with undergrads there. "I was able to help students who were coming from many urban areas see the natural world in new ways," he recalls. "I really enjoy seeing students at the undergrad stage have their own personal 'aha' moments."

Ben notes that working with undergrads is always interesting as they approach their studies from a variety of developmental levels. Given that geosciences is the basis for a wide variety of careers, working with students, getting to know their unique skills, and helping them find their own career paths is an aspect of Ben's work that he really enjoys. "Some go on to be oceanographers while others become geospatial scientists, seismologists, or work as geologists in the mining or petroleum industry. Many opportunities are there regardless of what type of interests and curiosity a student has," he adds.

Ben's own research is dedicated to a simple but profound question that goes all the way back to his early days in Wisconsin. He is trying to figure out how the surface of the earth has changed since around 20,000 years ago when the last ice age occurred. Ben notes that answering parts of this question is easy, other parts are much harder to come by. While carbon dating works well to determine the age of organic materials, that process is useless for most glacial deposits. Instead, Ben looks at how the glaciers of the ice age moved materials from one spot to another.

[Read more about Dr. Laab's research >>](#)

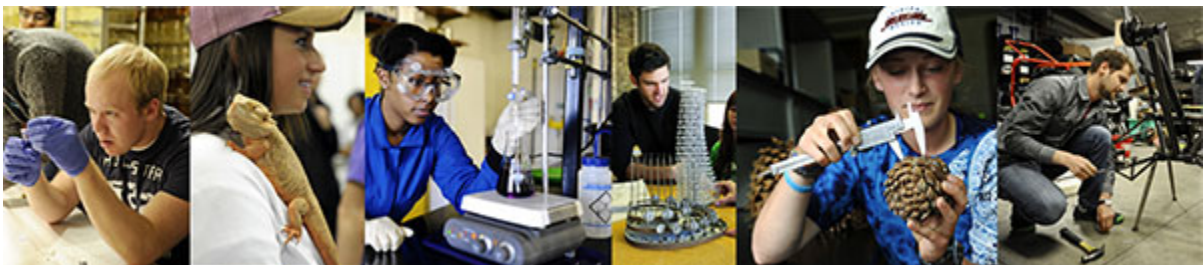
2021 VIRTUAL EDITION

NDSU EXPLORE

UNDERGRADUATE EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the annual NDSU EXPLORE Showcase of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity. This year's showcase will be virtual and held during Undergraduate Research Week, April 19-23.

Details can be found on the [NDSU EXPLORE](#) website. If you have any questions about this event, please send an email to ndsu.researchdev@ndsu.edu.



RCA Research Support Services Awards

Through the Research Support Services program, funds of up to \$2,500 can be requested to help defray the costs of support services required for research, creative, or scholarly activity. Funds must be spent by June 15, 2021. More information and application instructions are posted on the [RCA website](#). Please contact ndsu.researchdev@ndsu.edu with questions.

NIH Training Resources Available through May 31, 2021

Don't miss the opportunity to access the virtual, self-paced training course *NIH Ready: R Series*, a 4-part grantwriting course from Dr. Meg Bouvier.

How it Works

The course is hosted on [Meg Bouvier Medical Writing website](#). You'll need to register and watch the courses there.

- Click 'Add to Cart'.
- At checkout, apply your coupon code (**NDSU NIH TRAINING**)
- Add organizational email address, and create a unique password. Do not use your NDSU password.
- When you're ready, click Watch Now on megbouvier.com.

To learn more about Dr. Bouvier, please see her [website](#). If you have any questions or need assistance with accessing the training, please contact the NDSU Research Development office at ndsuh.researchdev@ndsuh.edu.

Early Career / New Investigator Opportunities

Multiple early investigator funding programs currently have open solicitations. These programs exist to provide research and career development opportunities for early career faculty. Details on eligibility requirements can be found in the respective solicitations. If you have any questions about eligibility, please contact ndsuh.researchdev@ndsuh.edu.

Early Career / New Investigator Programs with Open Solicitations:

- [USDA-NIFA-AFRI: New Investigator Grants](#)
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- [William T. Grant Foundation: Scholars Program](#) - **LIMITED**
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Upcoming Limited Submission Program Deadlines

[Limited submission grant programs](#) are those that indicate a limit on the number of proposals that may be submitted by an institution for a particular deadline. A selection process becomes necessary if more applicants express interest in applying than NDSU is allowed to submit to the grant program. Email notifications of interest to ndsu.researchdev@ndsu.edu.

If you identify a limited submission opportunity that is not on the list below, please notify ndsu.researchdev@ndsu.edu.

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- [NEA: Grants for Arts Projects](#)
Notification Deadline: 04/21/2021
- [Retirement Research Foundation](#)
Notification Deadline: 04/21/2021
- [NSF: Partnerships for Innovation](#)
Notification Deadline: 05/05/2021
- [William T. Grant Foundation: Scholars Program](#)
Notification Deadline: 05/05/2021

There are a number of limited submission grant programs with upcoming agency deadlines for which we did not receive any notifications of interest. A full list of those programs is available on the [Limited Submissions page](#). For these programs,

marked "First to Notify," approval to move forward with a full proposal submission to the funder will be given on a first come, first served basis. Email notifications of interest to ndsu.researchdev@ndsu.edu.

Looking for more funding opportunities?



On January 1, NDSU transitioned to a new funding opportunity database subscription: SPIN by InfoEd Global. SPIN is free for current NDSU faculty, staff, and students.

For more information, visit the [SPIN page](#) on the RCA website. If you have questions, please contact ndsu.researchdev@ndsu.edu.

Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood

The [Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood](#) supports development projects and promising research with the potential to significantly enhance the physical and mental health, safety, nutrition, play, social integration, and/or quality of life of children, from birth through seven years of age.

To that end, the foundation currently is inviting Letters of Intent in the following categories:

Early Childhood Welfare — Children can only reach their full potential when all aspects of their development — intellectual, emotional, and physical — are optimally supported. Providing a safe and nurturing environment is essential, as is imparting the skills of social living in a culturally diverse world. To that end, the foundation supports projects that seek to perfect child-rearing practices and to identify models that can provide creative, caring environments in which all young children thrive.

Early Childhood Education and Play — Research shows that children need to be stimulated as well as nurtured early in life if they are to succeed in school, work, and life. That preparation relates to every aspect of a child's development and everywhere a child learns — at home, in childcare settings, and in preschool. The foundation seeks to

improve the quality of both early childhood teaching and learning, through the development of innovative curricula and research based pedagogical standards, as well as the design of imaginative play materials and learning environments.

Parenting Education — To help parents create nurturing environments for their children, the foundation supports programs that teach parents about developmental psychology, cultural child-rearing differences, pedagogy, issues of health, and prenatal care and diet, as well programs that provide both cognitive and emotional support to parents.

Letter of Intent deadline: May 31, 2021

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DoD: Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs

The Department of Defense (DoD) Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs has open funding opportunities in a number of areas, including:

- [Lung Cancer](#)
- [Orthotics and Prosthetics Outcomes](#)
- [Ovarian Cancer](#)
- [Peer Reviewed Alzheimer's](#)
- [Peer Reviewed Cancer](#)
- [Peer Reviewed Medical](#)
- [Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic](#)
- [Prostate Cancer](#)
- [Spinal Cord Injury](#)

Deadlines vary by program.

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DOE: Bioenergy Technologies Office (BETO) Scale-up and Conversion – Limited Submission Program

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than NDSU is allowed to submit to the grant program.

DOE BETO Topic Areas 1b and 1c: [Notify RCA](#) if you are interested in submitting to these topic areas for this program. Approval to submit will be given to the first to notify.

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) [[DE-FOA-0002396](#)] supports high-impact technology research, development, demonstration, and deployment (RDD&D) to accelerate the bioeconomy and, in particular, the production of low-carbon fuels for the aviation industry. BETO is focusing on applied RDD&D to improve the performance and reduce cost of biofuel production technologies and scale-up production systems in partnership with industry. By reducing cost and technical risk, BETO can help pave the way for industry to deploy commercial-scale integrated biorefineries and reduce greenhouse gas emissions from hard to decarbonize sectors, such as aviation.

The research and development (R&D) activities to be funded under this FOA will support the government-wide approach to the climate crisis by driving the innovation that can lead to the deployment of clean energy technologies, which are critical for climate protection. Specifically, this FOA will support the following Topic Areas:

1. Scale-up of Biotechnologies
 - a. Pre-Pilot for Biofuels and Bioproducts
 - b. Pilot Scale for Biofuels and Bioproducts - **LIMITED**
 - c. Demonstration Scale for Biofuels and Bioproducts- **LIMITED**
2. Affordable, Clean Cellulosic Sugars for High Yield Conversion Overview
3. Separations to Enable Biomass Conversion
 - a. Improve Arrested Anaerobic Digestion Process Development
 - b. Enable Biomass Conversion
4. Residential Wood Heaters
5. Renewable Natural Gas

An **informational webinar** will be held on April 16th, 2021 at 2:00 PM. The webinar will review the Funding Opportunity Announcement and Merit Review process, but

will only discuss Topic Area 1: Scale-up of Biotechnologies specific requirements due to the complex nature of the topic area. Please register for the webinar at:

<https://www.energy.gov/eere/bioenergy/events/webinar-scale-biotechnologies>

LIMITED SUBMISSION: For **Topic Areas 1b and 1c**, an entity may only submit one Concept Paper and one Full Application for each topic area. The other topic areas are not limited.

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DOE: University-Based Energy Industry Research and Development of Scalable Cyber-Physical Solutions

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) [[DE-FOA-0002477](#)] from the National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) seeks to improve the cyber and cyber-physical security posture of the electric sector through the integration of the DOE Cybersecurity Roadmap Vision statement of ensuring that resilient energy delivery systems are designed, installed, operated, and maintained to survive a cyber incident while sustaining critical functions.

Proposed solutions must support and ensure a more secure, resilient, and reliable energy delivery system through targeted improvements the electricity generation, transmission, or distribution processes of interest – see the FOA for more information.

Applicants must propose a team that includes industry owners / operators and / or energy sector solution providers.

Cost Share is Required.

Concept Paper Deadline: 04/26/2021

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NEH: American Rescue Plan - Humanities Organizations – Limited Submission Program

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NEH American Rescue: [Notify RCA](#) if you are interested in submitting to this program. Approval to submit will be given to the first to notify.

This [program](#) invites applications from eligible organizations seeking support for humanities positions and projects that have been adversely impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. Through this funding opportunity, NEH will award grants to museums, libraries and archives, historic sites, independent research institutions, academic presses, professional organizations, colleges and universities, and other humanities organizations across the country to help these entities continue to advance their mission during the interruption of their operations due to the coronavirus pandemic. In keeping with Congress's intent in enacting the American Rescue Plan, applicants may propose new humanities projects or focus on sustaining core humanities programs and activities.

While all applications will be given equal consideration in accordance with the review criteria, NEH is especially interested in supporting projects that advance humanities-related work in the following area: A More Perfect Union: Exploring America's Story and Commemorating its 250th Anniversary.

NEH program staff will host a pre-recorded technical assistance webinar that will be available on [this page](#) by April 12, 2021.

LIMITED SUBMISSION: An applicant may not submit multiple applications under this notice. NEH will consider parent organizations and their subordinates to be a single entity for purposes of eligibility.

NIH: Stephen I. Katz Early Stage Investigators Research Grant Program (R01)

[Early stage investigators \(ESIs\)](#) may apply for this opportunity to support their innovative ideas **if they are proposing research that is a change in direction from their past work and experience, and for which they have no preliminary data.** For those ESIs who have preliminary data for research projects or those who want to continue on with their current research direction, NIH's [Parent R01 funding opportunities](#) are still available.

[Katz ESI Research Grant Program Solicitation](#)

Standard R01 deadlines apply; next deadline is May 26, 2021.

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NSF: Faculty Early Career Development Program

The National Science Foundation (NSF) Faculty Early Career Development ([CAREER](#)) Program is a prestigious grant award program that supports early career faculty who have the potential to serve as academic role models in research and education and to lead advances in the mission of their department or organization. Activities pursued by early-career faculty should build a firm foundation for a lifetime of leadership in integrating education and research.

Deadline: July 26, 2021

The NDSU Office of Research and Creative Activity is offering some NSF CAREER-focused, virtual sessions over the next couple of months to assist potential applicants with preparing competitive proposals. [Learn more >>](#)

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NSF: Engineering Research Initiation

The National Science Foundation (NSF) Directorate for Engineering (ENG) seeks to build engineering research capacity across the nation by investing in new academic investigators who have yet to receive research funding from Federal Agencies. The Engineering Research Initiation (ERI) program [[NSF 21-574](#)] aims to support new investigators as they initiate their research programs and advance in their careers as researchers, educators, and innovators. This funding opportunity also aims to broaden the base of investigators involved in engineering research and therefore is limited to investigators that are not affiliated with “very high research activity” R1 institutions.

Deadline: June 18, 2021



NSF: Launching Early-Career Academic Pathways in MPS

With emphasis in helping to launch the careers of pre-tenure faculty in Mathematical and Physical Sciences (MPS) fields at minority-serving institutions (MSIs), predominantly undergraduate institutions (PUIs), and Carnegie Research 2 (R2) universities, and with the goal of achieving excellence through diversity, the Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences hereby announces a call for Launching Early-Career Academic Pathways (LEAPS-MPS) proposals [[NSF 21-570](#)]. This LEAPS-MPS call also aims to broaden participation to include members from groups underrepresented in the Mathematical and Physical Sciences.

These grants are intended to support MPS principal investigators in initiating their research programs early in their careers, particularly at the aforementioned institutions. By providing this funding opportunity, MPS intends to help initiate viable independent research programs for researchers attempting to launch their research careers such that LEAPS-MPS awards are followed by competitive CAREER or individual-investigator grant submissions that build upon the research launched through this mechanism. This LEAPS-MPS solicitation welcomes proposals from principal investigators who share NSF's commitment to diversity.

Awards are for 24 months and are up to \$250,000 total costs (direct plus indirect). Principal Investigators must be U.S. citizens or lawfully admitted U.S. permanent residents at the time of proposal submission; visa-holders are not eligible.

Deadline: June 14, 2021



Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Building a Culture of Health

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has multiple open calls for proposals related to building a Culture of Health:

- [Systems for Action](#): Systems and Services Research to Build a Culture of Health
- [Evidence for Action](#): Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health
- [Pioneering Ideas](#): Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health

A Culture of Health is broadly defined as one in which good health and well-being flourish across geographic, demographic, and social sectors; public and private decision-making is guided by the goal of fostering equitable communities; and everyone has the opportunity to make choices that lead to healthy lifestyles.

Deadlines vary by program.



USDA-NIFA-AFRI: New Investigator Grants

Through the USDA-NIFA Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI), applicants who meet eligibility requirements as a New Investigator can apply for a *seed grant* or a *New Investigator standard grant*.

- The **New Investigator Standard Grant** is an AFRI Standard Grant in all respects except that the Project Director meets the eligibility criteria for New Investigators.
- The **New Investigator Seed Grant** is available under each program area priority within NIFA. Applications from New Investigators will be reviewed

with other Seed Grant applications, with special consideration given to funding New Investigator Seed Grant applications.

Find out more about AFRI funding opportunities and program area priorities [here](#).

AFRI has provided a number of resources about the New Investigator programs, including recently recorded [webinars](#) and [FAQs](#).



William T. Grant Foundation: Scholars Program – Limited Submission Program

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WTG Fdn : [Notify RCA](#) by 05/05/2021 if you are interested in submitting to this program.

The William T. Grant Foundation's mission is to support research to improve the lives of young people ages 5-25 in the United States. The Foundation pursues this mission by supporting research within two focus areas:

- Reducing Inequality;
- Improving the Use of Research Evidence.

The Foundation's [Scholars Program](#) supports career development for promising early-career researchers. The program funds five-year research and mentoring plans that significantly expand researchers' expertise in new disciplines, methods, and content areas.

Applicants should have a track record of conducting high-quality research and an

interest in pursuing a significant shift in their trajectories as researchers. The Foundation recognizes that early-career researchers are rarely given incentives or support to take measured risks in their work, so this award includes a mentoring component, as well as a supportive academic community.

Awards are based on applicants' potential to become influential researchers, as well as their plans to expand their expertise in new and significant ways. The application should make a cohesive argument for how the applicant will expand his or her expertise. The research plan should evolve in conjunction with the development of new expertise, and the mentoring plan should describe how the proposed mentors will support applicants in acquiring that expertise. Proposed research plans must address questions that are relevant to policy and practice in the Foundation's focus areas.

LIMITED SUBMISSION: Major divisions (e.g., College of Arts and Sciences, Medical School) of an institution may nominate only one applicant each year.



Menard Family Distinguished Speaker Series: COVID-19: Implications for the Future of Globalization and Integration

All members of the NDSU community and the public are invited to attend the virtual discussion "COVID-19: Implications for the Future of Globalization and Integration" with the World Trade Organization's chief economist, Dr. Robert Koopman, at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13.

To attend, you must register for the Zoom webinar at:

https://ndsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rt6ypo2xTVOha7AX2O5nsQ

This is the final event of the spring semester in the Challey Institute's Menard Family Distinguished Speaker Series.

Description: The COVID-19 pandemic has illustrated both the challenges and

opportunities of a highly integrated, globalized world. On the challenge side: the daily movement of large numbers of people and quantities of goods and services across borders appears to increase the probability of a health-related event to turn into a truly global pandemic quickly. On the opportunity side: solutions to a global pandemic can be found in the ability of global know-how and production networks to scale up quickly and aid in an effective response to such a pandemic; no one country, even an advanced economy like the United States, can produce everything it needs to make effective vaccines. In this talk, Robert Koopman will share his views on the various forces at play in the global economy and their potential implications for globalization. Following the presentation, he will answer questions from the audience.

Robert Koopman is the Chief Economist and Director of the Economic Research and Statistics Division at the World Trade Organization. Prior to this post, he served as the Director of Operations and Chief Operating Officer for the United States International Trade Commission. Dr. Koopman is also an associate professor at the Graduate Institute of Geneva and a research fellow at the Centre for Economic Policy Research.

[The Menard Family Distinguished Speaker Series](#) invites world thought leaders to share their ideas with the NDSU community on big questions that explore ways to improve the human condition and create economic opportunity. The Distinguished Speaker Series is hosted by the [Sheila and Robert Challey Institute for Global Innovation and Growth](#).

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NSF CAREER Proposal Development Program

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The NDSU Office of Research and Creative Activity is offering some NSF CAREER-focused, virtual sessions over the next couple of months to assist potential applicants with preparing competitive proposals.

- **Broader Impacts and Intellectual Merit [April 14, 2021 - 12pm (noon)]**
This session will focus on NSF's [merit review criteria](#), and how to effectively address them in your CAREER proposal.
Presenter: Christine Strohm, Ph.D. - grant writing consultant
- **NSF CAREER Awardee Panel [April 28, 2021 - 12pm (noon)]**
For this session, four recent NSF CAREER awardees at NDSU will share their experiences and offer their tips for writing a successful proposal and answer your questions about the process.
Presenters:
Britt Heidinger, Ph.D. - Biological Sciences
Ying Huang, Ph.D. - Civil and Environmental Engineering
Dmitri Kilin, Ph.D. - Chemistry and Biochemistry
Keerthi Nawarathna, Ph.D. - Electrical and Computer Engineering

[Register to attend these sessions >>](#)

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Virtual Conference: Artificial Intelligence and the Humanities

In April, the National Humanities Center is hosting a series of free, virtual events - presentations, conversations, webinars, film screenings, and an art exhibition - highlighting perspectives from leading humanists, scientists, engineers, artists, writers, and software company executives collectively advancing inquiry into key emerging questions related to AI's influence on daily life.

[Learn more and register >>](#)

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Communicating Science Seminars

The Office of Research and Creative Activity is hosting Paul M. Sutter, astrophysicist, author, and communications expert, for fun and informative sessions about science communications. Two sessions are scheduled: a seminar tailored for a student audience, and a workshop for faculty.

NOBODY UNDERSTANDS WHAT YOU DO (AND THAT'S OK)

A Communicating Science Seminar for Graduate and Undergraduate Students
Wednesday, April 21, 2021 | 12-1pm | Zoom

HOW TO SPEAK WITH HUMANS: A WORKSHOP FOR ACADEMICS

A Communicating Science Workshop for Faculty
Wednesday, April 21, 2021 | 2-3:30pm | Zoom

[Learn more and register >>](#)

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SharpHub Webinar: ABC of SBIR / STTR funding

Find out whether your research is a candidate for SBIR / STTR federal R&D funding and learn SBIR / STTR program basics, including program purpose, eligibility, and sources of funding. This presentation will provide ample information to help you determine if you should seriously pursue proposal development and tools to help begin the process.

ABC of SBIR / STTR Funding

April 21, 2021 | 8:30-10am

[Learn more and register >>](#)

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NASEM Workshop: Strategies for Effective Data Management and Sharing

On April 28-29, 2021, the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM) is hosting Changing the Culture of Data Management and Sharing, a virtual

public workshop to examine strategies for effective data management and sharing. The workshop will discuss challenges to and potential solutions for data management and sharing across scientific disciplines and ways researchers can integrate data management and sharing practices into their routine research conduct. The workshop aims to inform implementation strategies for the new [NIH Policy for Data Management and Sharing](#).

Strategies for Effective Data Management and Sharing

April 28-29, 2021

[Learn more and register >>](#)

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NEH Virtual Grant Workshops

In April and May, the National Endowment for Humanities (NEH) is hosting a series of virtual workshops with NEH program staff to share information about NEH grant opportunities, deadlines, and application information.

Topics include:

- Digital Humanities
- Individual Scholars
- Archives and Libraries
- College and University Grants and Sponsored Research Offices

[Learn more >>](#)

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Dakota Cancer Collaborative on Translational Activity (DaCCoTA) Virtual Symposium

[Registration](#) is now open for the **2021 DaCCoTA Virtual Symposium**.

The symposium will be held on June 18th from 8am to 5pm. It is free and open to the public.

The symposium includes:

- **Educational Opportunities (educational credit will be provided)**

- Use of navigators in cancer care
- Design, conduct and analysis of clinical trials
- Navigating collaboration with industry
- Best practices in community engagement
- Mentorship: It takes two to tango
- Demystifying the NIH study section
- **Poster Sessions**
- **DaCCoTA Awardee Presentations**
- **Networking Opportunities**

Register through the following link:

https://und.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ekW1Jpngue1U4Zf.

For additional information about the symposium and details regarding poster presentation requirements, please visit: <https://med.und.edu/daccota/symposium.html>.

The DaCCoTA is supported by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences of the National Institutes of Health under Award Number U54GM128729.

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Workshops for Health Professionals

Paul Casella, MFA, is a writer, teacher, editor and producer. Since 1988, Paul has worked with health professionals to improve the clarity and effectiveness of their manuscripts for publication, formal presentations, grant applications, slides, posters, videos, and other media for scientific purposes.

On June 24, 2021, Paul will visit the NDSU campus to conduct a series of workshops for health professionals:

- Writing for Publication
- Writing Effective NIH Grant Proposals
- Speaking for Success: Strategies for Effective Medical and Scientific Presentations

[Learn more and register >>](#)

This workshop is hosted by NDSU, UND, and the DaCCoTA. The workshop is sponsored by Great Plains IDEa-CTR.

Have questions, ideas, or suggestions for the RCA Update?

[Contact Us](#)



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