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### Welcome to the Research and Creative Activity Update!

To share information quickly rather than through multiple emails, we will be providing weekly updates for researchers, scholars and staff to keep up-to-date on grant program changes, deadlines, notices and training, with links to expand the information you may be interested in. Thank you for your contributions to research and creative activity at NDSU.

These weekly email updates are archived on the [RCA Website](#).

### FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

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### Limited Submission Program: NSF EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Program: Track 2

[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.

[NSF EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Program - Track 2: Notify RCA by 11/03/2017, 5:00 p.m.](#)

The Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) is designed to fulfill the mandate of the National Science Foundation (NSF) to promote scientific progress nationwide. The focus of the RII Track-2 Program is to build interjurisdictional collaborative teams of EPSCoR investigators in scientific focus areas consistent with NSF priorities. **This year's competition is limited to proposals that address the single topic: Understanding the Relationship Between Genome and Phenome**

*NSF Letter of Intent deadline: November 27, 2017 | Application deadline: January 26, 2018*



### Support Undergraduate Researchers – Attend the NDSU EXPLORE Showcase November 1

The 2017 NDSU EXPLORE Undergraduate Research Showcase will take place November 1, 2017, in the NDSU Memorial Union. Students present their creative projects, whether complete or in-progress, as a poster, oral presentation, or other format. We encourage you to attend in support of the student researchers. For more information, visit the [NDSU EXPLORE](#) page online, or find [NDSU EXPLORE on Facebook](#).



### **Morning Student Presentation Session**

*Wednesday, November 1, 2017 | 9:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m. | Memorial Union, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor*

### **Afternoon Student Presentation Session**

*Wednesday, November 1, 2017 | 1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m. | Memorial Union, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor*



## **Engaging Undergraduates in Knowledge Creation, Entrepreneurship, and Leadership – NDSU EXPLORE**

### **Keynote**

Mahesh Daas, Dean of the School of Architecture and Design at the University of Kansas, will present “An Inconvenient Education for an Uncertain Future” at the [NDSU EXPLORE](#) Showcase. Daas will detail select organizational and educational models of experiential/design pedagogy and research that engage undergraduate students in knowledge creation, entrepreneurship, and leadership aimed at developing self-actualized individuals who can innovate under conditions of uncertainty.

Daas’ latest book, “Towards a Robotic Architecture,” defines robotics research in architecture on Earth and Mars. He earned his bachelor’s degree in architecture from Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Hyderabad, India; his master’s degree in urban design from Kansas State University; and his doctorate in higher education management from the University of Pennsylvania.

### **An Inconvenient Education for an Uncertain Future | Mahesh Daas, Ed. D., DPACSA**

*Wednesday, November 1, 2017 | 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. | Memorial Union, Great Room*



## **Proposal and Award Management Session #8**

The next session in the Proposal and Award Management series will be held on **Thursday, November 16 from 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. in the Quentin Burdick Building (QBB), room 422**. The topic area for this meeting is Cost Sharing, Effort Reporting, Recharge Centers, and Service Centers.

These sessions are being offered monthly by Sponsored Programs Administration (SPA) and Grant & Contract Accounting (GCA). These sessions will provide information and training on topics that are relevant to various aspects of proposal submission and award management. Anyone that participates in any way or has an interest in proposal or budget development, routing and submission of proposals, processing or approving expenditures on awards (allowable costs, payroll, equipment, materials, etc.), overall award management, award compliance, locating funding opportunities or electronic research administration is encouraged to attend. These sessions are open to all faculty, researchers and staff. Materials from the sessions are available on the [Sponsored Programs Training](#) website.

The QBB room is enabled with videoconferencing (IVN), so if you need to participate via IVN, please contact Faye Klein in SPA (231-8045 or [faye.klein@ndsu.edu](mailto:faye.klein@ndsu.edu).) IVN participants will need to reserve their site and let Faye know so that SPA can set up for each requesting site. SPA will need the room name and the IP address no later than 10:00 a.m. the day prior to the session. Participants who cannot attend in person or via IVN, may be able to connect in two other ways:

1. directly from their laptop or desktop computer using a specific software application, or
2. via an audio connection that can be added to the IVN event.

Participants via personal computer or audio-only will want to contact Faye as soon as possible to ensure adequate time for connections, configuration and testing.

**Note:** Although Sessions are scheduled to be completed within 45 minutes, SPA and GCA representatives will be available for at least 15 minutes after each Session in order to answer any additional questions that participants may have.



## **Gear up for Grants: Grant Writing Workshops**

Lucy Deckard, a consultant with [Academic Research Funding Strategies, LLC](#), will present a series of grant writing workshops in November:

### **Gear up for Grants: Pursuing Funding for Large Team and Center Grants**

*Monday, November 20, 2017 | 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | Memorial Union, Badlands Room*

This workshop is interactive and geared toward mid-career and senior faculty who are ready or considering applying for large team or center grants within the next few years.

Workshop spots are limited. [Register for this workshop >>](#)

### **Gear up for Grants: How to Write Successful Grants for Instrumentation**

*Tuesday, November 21, 2017 | 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Memorial Union, Room of Nations*

This session discusses grants that fund instrumentation and equipment and how to develop a successful proposal for these types of grants.

[Register for this workshop >>](#)

### **Gear up for Grants: Pursuing Funding in the Humanities and Social Sciences**

*Tuesday, November 21, 2017 | 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | Memorial Union, Room of Nations*

This session discusses the types of funding available to support research in the humanities and humanities-related social sciences and how to be competitive when applying for these opportunities.

[Register for this workshop >>](#)



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