



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.

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Discovery to Market Webinar

Join us for a webinar about the Discovery to Market project at Johns Hopkins University. This program allows students to assess the commercial potential of scientific discoveries and technological innovations with the goal of producing future researchers, engineers and c-level executives who truly understand the interplay of science, technology and the business world. For questions related to the webinar contact Nicole Boyer at 231-6660

or NDSU.businessdev@ndsu.edu.

Date: December 2, 2015

Time: 12:00-1:00 PM

Location: R1, Room 148/154

Proposal Writing Workshop : Early Investigator Programs – [Register Now!](#)

On January 11, 2016, The Implementation Group (TIG) will present an Interactive Video Seminar on proposal writing specifically focused on early investigator programs. Kelvin Chu, Vice President of TIG, will be the primary presenter for this seminar. Dr. Chu brings significant experience with research development, program building, and administration of research capacity-building programs, in both academia and at the federal level. He served as a Program Officer at the National Science Foundation (NSF) in the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR). Following the seminar, the presenters will be available to meet one-on-one (via online meeting) with attendees to discuss specific proposal plans for new investigator programs. Space is limited, and **preference will be given to faculty who are eligible**

to apply for new investigator programs. For questions related to this workshop or one-on-one meetings, please contact NDSU Research Development at ndsu.researchdev@ndsu.edu.

Date: January 11, 2016

Time: 9:00am-12:00pm

Location: Quentin Burdick Building Room 422

[Register Now!](#)

IACUC News-The Annual Report of Research Facility has been submitted to USDA

NDSU is required to report the number of animals used in biomedical research/teaching each year. The [USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service](#) provides public access to [annual and inspection reports](#) through their Animal Care Information System Search Tool. For IACUC related questions or assistance please contact Josie Hayden (josie.hayden@ndsu.edu) at 231-8114.

Federal Programmatic Requests

NDSU will begin determining our federal programmatic priorities in January. Please submit any ideas that you would like to be considered as part of our programmatic requests for Fiscal Year 2017 by January 11th, 2016. Requests can be submitted electronically at to https://ndstate.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cAPvuL5WVllgovj. Any requests received after January 11th will be kept for consideration for FY18.

Fringe Benefit Rate Changes

In July of 2015, there was an increase in the fringe benefit rates applicable at NDSU. As you are preparing proposal budgets, you will need to include the higher fringe benefit rates. Please view the increased rates on SPA's website: https://www.ndsu.edu/research/sponsored_programs_admin/institutional_information/.

These fringe benefit rates should be applied to salaries on all grants. If you have questions, please contact Cindy Eleson @ 1-5259 or cindy.smelser@ndsu.edu.

Technology Transfer Office: End of Semester Reminder

The NDSU Technology Transfer Office (TTO) would like to remind graduate students, faculty, or others working under grants, etc. to contact our office if your research has resulted in a potential invention that might have commercial value. The Invention Reporting Form can be found on our website at https://www.ndsu.edu/research/tech_transfer/forms/.

If you have an invention that you are sharing with non-NDSU people, we recommend that a confidentiality agreement (CDA) be executed to avoid what constitutes a public disclosure. A public disclosure outside of your lab (without patent protection or a CDA with that party) could result in loss of patent rights, especially in foreign countries. Please contact our office at 701-231-6681 if you have questions. NDSU's Intellectual Property Policy can be found at: <https://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/policy/190.pdf>.

Undergraduate Internship Opportunity – share with your students

This is an open call for all STEM undergraduates who may be interested in [applying for NEON internships for summer 2016](#). The NEON internship program provides qualified undergraduate students with real-world summer work experience. Students are accepted from a variety of disciplines (e.g., Science, Engineering, Computing), and interns will gain valuable professional experience working with NEON staff mentors across different expertise areas.

The eleven-week paid program includes housing and travel to/from Boulder, Colorado. Applications will be accepted **Dec. 1, 2015 through Feb. 15, 2016.**

USDA Listening Sessions on Public Access to Scholarly Publications and Digital Scientific Data

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is seeking public comment on the development of a policy to increase access to the results of federally-funded agricultural research. Dr. Catherine Woteki, the USDA's Chief Scientist and Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics (REE) announced today that USDA will receive comment at live teleconferences and via email through Dec. 9, 2015.

"Our goal is to help stakeholders understand and participate in planning for an increase in public access to scholarly publications and scientific data funded by USDA," said Dr. Woteki. "We see this increased access as an opportunity to raise the profile of the field of agricultural research, highlighting its many contributions to scientific innovation and its value to society. Stakeholder insights are vital to planning this new era of open access so we can best meet the needs of society and of scientists."

For more information, including instructions for accessing the webinar, please go to http://www.ree.usda.gov/ree/news/Public_Access_Listening_Sessions_Release_Final.pdf.

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