Welcome to the Research and Creative Activity Update!
The Office of Research and Creative Activity wants to make sure you are provided with up-to-date information pertaining to research and scholarly activities and opportunities. Thus, to share information quickly rather than through multiple emails, we will continue to provide 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.

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Register Now for Upcoming Gear up for Grants Seminars
Mark your calendars for these upcoming Gear up for Grants Seminars:

- **Research Results: Beyond Publishing – Intellectual Property, Licensing to Companies, Starting a Company**
  *Wednesday, December 14, 2016 | 3-4:30pm | Memorial Union Hidatsa Room*
  [Register Now!](#)

- **Best Practices and Tips for Creating a Successful Proposal Budget**
  *Thursday, January 19, 2017 | 3-4:30pm | Memorial Union Hidatsa Room*
  [Register Now!](#)

For more information, visit the Research and Creative Activity Calendar.
NSF CAREER Proposal Development Program
The Research Development Office is implementing an initiative for faculty interested in applying to the NSF CAREER program. The initiative will consist of group and one-on-one sessions to assist in the development of the proposal, leading up to the application deadline in late July. Topics and assistance will cover:
• Review of NSF Solicitation Requirements
• Q&A Session with current NDSU NSF CAREER Awardees
• Budget development assistance
• Tools and resources for development of broader impact initiatives and program evaluation
• Proposal editing
• Assistance with supplementary documents and compliance with the solicitation
If you are interested in the NSF CAREER program and would like to participate in this initiative, please email ndsu.researchdev@ndsu.edu.

Research ND Funding
On a quarterly basis, the North Dakota Department of Commerce provides unique funding opportunities through Research ND. If you are interested in applying for Research ND funding, you can read more about the programs on the Research ND webpage, or you can view their policies and procedures online. NDSU’s Sponsored Programs Administration is responsible for the submission of the application and other forms to Research ND. SPA requests that all completed documents be sent in one final email to ensure the correct application package is submitted, and that time is allowed for the SPA staff for the actual submission to Research ND. The next deadline for Research ND, Research ND BIO and Venture grant applications is February 17, 2017.

Notification Due Dates for Upcoming Limited Submission Programs
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.

Notification emails are due to NDSU.ResearchDev@ndsu.edu for the following upcoming Limited Submission programs:
• NSF INCLUDES Design and Development Launch Pilots – Notification due 12/12/2016. For more information on the program, read the program guidelines online (NSF 17-522)
• NIH Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement (RISE) (R25) – Notification due 2/1/2017. For more information on the program, read the program guidelines online (PAR-16-361)

Internal RCA Funding Available
NDSU continues to move forward in meeting the overall goals and metrics of its Strategic Plan. As part of this effort, the Research and Creative Activity Office is making available a limited pool of internal dollars to fund research, creative and scholarly activities that help meet the goals and metrics of the Research and Discovery component of the Strategic Plan. Request for funds can be made in the following categories: seed awards, research development travel awards, equipment repair, undergraduate research awards, and research support services.

Specific information about the available funding can be found at: https://www.ndsu.edu/research/rca_funding_opportunities
Now Available: Updated Edition of New Faculty Guide to Competing for Research Funding
Research Development recently purchased an updated edition of *New Faculty Guide to Competing for Research Funding* (October 2016), written by Mike Cronan and Lucy Deckard, produced by Academic Research Funding Strategies, LLC. This e-book includes what all new faculty need to know about finding funding and writing research proposals and strategies to help new faculty get off to a successful start in identifying and competing for grants to support their research. It provides an overview of how to find government and private funding, planning and developing your proposal, the proposal writing process, and responding to proposal reviews. A large appendix includes many articles with tips and advice on related topics. You can access the *New Faculty Guide* online with your NDSU network login.

New Strategic Direction for Behavioral and Social Sciences Research at NIH
The NIH Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (OBSSR) had released a new strategic plan for 2017-2021. The plan focuses on scientific priorities, which reflect key research challenges that OBSSR is uniquely positioned to address. OBSSR’s strategic priorities are to: improve the synergy of basic and applied behavioral and social sciences research; enhance and promote the research infrastructure, methods, and measures needed to support a more cumulative and integrated approach to behavioral and social sciences research; and facilitate the adoption of behavioral and social sciences research findings in health research and in practice.

AUTM 2017 Venture Forum Business Plan Competition
The Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM) will host a business plan competition through the AUTM Venture Forum at the AUTM 2017 Annual Meeting, March 12 - 15, 2017, in Hollywood, Florida. Compete with academic and research institution-affiliated startup companies. First Place Receives $10,000 Cash Prize. The deadline for applications is January 4, 2017.

Eligibility Criteria:
The startup must be a legally existing company and have a license or option-to-license with a research institution (university, research hospital, research institute, government laboratory), and the obligated technology must comprise an integral part of the startup’s business focus. Note: There is no territorial limitation on the company’s location.
The startup does not need to have received prior professional investment but must be actively seeking funding. Note: Startups that have already received (i) a Series A round, (ii) in excess of $2 million in private investments, or (iii) significant sales revenue in 2015 or before are too advanced and not eligible for this competition.
A manager/executive must present the venture pitch, not an inventor/scientist.
Learn more and apply online today.

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