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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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NDUS Office 365 Migration and the Impact on Proposals/Awards

The North Dakota University System's Office 365 migration is scheduled to begin the weekend before spring break (see the [ITS webpage](#) for more details). In an effort to ensure trouble-free operations during this time, Sponsored Programs Administration (SPA) is requesting that any correspondence sent to the ndsu.research@ndsu.edu address be submitted early, prior to March 10th, or delayed until Monday, March 13th as there may be a time delay in Sponsored Programs receiving your message. If SPA staff have not responded to messages sent to the ndsu.research@ndsu.edu address within 2 business days following the email migration, please resend or contact SPA at 1-8045.



Federal Programmatic Requests

If you have a research area that you would like to be considered as part of NDSU's federal programmatic priorities, please provide the necessary background on the project at https://ndstate.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cAPvuL5WVllgovj by March 15, 2017.



Financial Conflict of Interest Training

If you currently are funded by either NSF or PHS and were recently asked to complete an annual Significant Financial Interest (SFI) Disclosure form, please remember that there is also a training component that needs to be completed. The “Conflict of Interest” training is available on the [CITI website](#) and is valid for four years. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Sherwood (1-8908 or j.sherwood@ndsu.edu).



National Academies Report on Undergraduate Research Experiences for STEM Students

The National Academies recently published a report titled “Undergraduate Research Experiences for STEM Students: Successes, Challenges, and Opportunities.” The report provides a comprehensive overview of and insights about the current and rapidly evolving types of Undergraduate Research Experiences (UREs) in an effort to improve understanding of the complexity of UREs in terms of their content, their surrounding context, the diversity of the student participants, and the opportunities for learning provided by a research experience. The report can be downloaded from the [National Academies website](#).



FM Area Foundation Program Officer to Present Gear up for Grants Brown Bag Seminar

Wednesday, March 8, 2017 | 12pm-1pm | Memorial Union Arikara Room

Lexi Oestreich, FM Area Foundation Program Officer, will visit NDSU campus on Wednesday, March 8, to present a Brown Bag Seminar from noon to 1pm in the Memorial Union Arikara Room. She will talk about the [FM Area Foundation Community Grants program](#) and their topics of interest, in anticipation of their next application deadlines on April 7 and May 25. FM Area Foundation will accept up to seven applications per calendar year from seven different NDSU units, but all potential proposals should be discussed with Ms. Oestreich before submission. Faculty, staff, and students are welcome to attend the Brown Bag seminar.



All-Day Interactive Grant Proposal Development Workshop

Facilitated by Lucy Deckard, [Academic Research Funding Strategies, LLC](#)

Tuesday, March 21, 2017 | 8:30am-4:30pm | Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room

[Register Now!](#)

This highly interactive workshop will cover setting your research and education agendas, identifying and understanding funding agencies, talking to Program Officers, planning your project, writing the proposal (section by section), understanding the review process, and interpreting and responding to reviews. Participants will be asked to bring paper and pen or a laptop for writing exercises. Participants will also need to have a tentative project in mind in order to conduct the exercises.



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