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](http://example.com).

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**
- Upcoming Deadline: RCA Small Grant Program

**NOTICES**
- RCA Office to Observe Homecoming Hours Friday, September 29
- September Issue of Research Development and Grant Writing News
- Pivot New Feature: “Calls for Papers”
- Council on Undergraduate Research Posters on the Hill 2018
- NDSU EXPLORE Showcase and Undergraduate Travel Award Opportunity

**EVENTS**
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- Proposal and Award Management Session #7

**Upcoming Deadline: RCA Small Grant Program**
The RCA Small Grant Program consists of three types of opportunities that are intended to promote research and creative activities that will improve competitiveness for external funding and will result in scholarly work appropriate to the applicant’s discipline:
- Seed Funding | [Application Deadline: September 29, 2017](http://example.com)
- NDSU EXPLORE Undergraduate Research Awards | [Application Deadline: September 29, 2017](http://example.com)
- Research Support Services | No Application Deadline

Complete program details and application instructions are available on the [RCA website](http://example.com). Please send program questions and applications to ndsu.researchdev@ndsu.edu.
September Issue of Research Development and Grant Writing News

The September issue of Research Development and Grant Writing News is now available to view. Use your NDSU login information to access this resource. Various topics are covered, including:

- Expectations for Institutions Addressing Responsible Conduct of Research by NSF/OIG
- A Heads Up to New Faculty about Research Misconduct
- What You Need to Know about Reproducibility
- The Strategic Role of the Funding Solicitation

Pivot New Feature: “Calls for Papers”

When you log into your Pivot account, you now see a new option on the menu bar called “Calls for Papers.” With this option, researchers can easily identify publishing opportunities at conferences and within special journal issues. Using the “Calls for Papers” feature, one can search papers by keywords, event dates, time periods, country, type, conference, or periodical. The Papers Invited database consists of detailed, comprehensive information about calls for papers with deadlines for upcoming conferences and special issues of scholarly journals. These calls for papers are issued by professional bodies, journal editors, and conference organizers in all disciplines and from all over the world. The “Calls for Papers” search feature is an add-on to Pivot’s traditional customized search capability for Funding Opportunities and Expertise Profiles.

Council on Undergraduate Research Posters on the Hill 2018

Applications can now be submitted for the 22nd annual Posters on the Hill event in Washington, DC, sponsored by the Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR). This competitive event gives students the opportunity to showcase their research to congressional members, meet with their representatives, and learn about advocacy for undergraduate research. Applications will be accepted until November 1, 2017. The NDSU EXPLORE program will provide travel funding for up to two NDSU students and one faculty advisor who meet eligibility requirements and are selected to participate.

For more information on the event, including the registration link, visit the Posters on the Hill 2018 website.

NDSU EXPLORE Showcase and Undergraduate Travel Award Opportunity

The 2017 NDSU EXPLORE Undergraduate Research Showcase will take place November 1, 2017, in the NDSU Memorial Union. Students presenting in the showcase can choose to be considered for an NDSU EXPLORE award. First place winners in each session at NDSU EXPLORE will receive a travel award to attend an advisor-approved conference to present their research.

Encourage your students to register to present their research and scholarly projects. For more information, including the registration link, visit the NDSU EXPLORE page online, or find NDSU EXPLORE on Facebook.
Gear up for Grants Seminar: Finding Federal Funding – The Budget Factor
David B. Lee will provide an overview of the federal budget and how that impacts federal research and development funding. For more than fifteen years, Mr. Lee has been an advocate for NDSU in Washington, DC, and has served as the institution's registered lobbyist.

Research and Creativity Office staff will also provide information on the federal programmatic request opportunity and process.

Gear up for Grants: Finding Federal Funding – The Budget Factor
Tuesday, October 17, 2017 | 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Memorial Union, Hidatsa Room
Register Now!

Proposal and Award Management Session #7
The next session in the Proposal and Award Management series will be held on Thursday, October 19, from 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. in the Quentin Burdick Building (QBB), room 422. The topic area for this meeting is on Research Development Services and Tools. This session will cover resources available for finding funding opportunities and assisting with the development of grant proposals.

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). 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.

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