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OSP Updates and Funding Opportunities Announcement April 2022

OSP Announcements and Reminders

OSP Exchange

Subrecipient Monitoring and Management

OSP will be partnering with the Office of Internal Audit for an informative session surrounding Subrecipient Monitoring, Management, and new changes relevant to both central and departmental processes and expectations. We welcome you to join us for this important session, held virtually. Please send us any relevant questions you have in advance, and we will be happy to address them during the session.

> Session details: Date: April 26, 2022 Time: 1:30-3:00pm Topic: Subrecipient Monitoring and Management

> > Zoom details: https://bccte.zoom.us/j/95446525638

**All Departmental Research Administrators and Research Faculty are encouraged to attend **

To register or for any questions, please contact Jennifer Lopez at jennifer.lopez@bc.edu.

*View slides and footage from our previously held OSP Exchange, visit our website at <u>www.bc.edu/osp</u> and click on the OSP Exchange icon.

Important OSP Policy updates

Revised Residual Balance Transfer Policy and New Department Closeout Checklist

OSP has updated and revised our OSP Residual Balance Transfer Policy along with our required Closeout Checklist.

The new policy and guidance documents can be found here: https://www.bc.edu/content/dam/files/research/osp/Residual_Balance_Policy.pdf

Notable changes within our policy are as follows:

1. The deadline to request a residual balance transfer is no later than 30 days after the project end date.

2. Residual balance transfers should be requested via the revised Closeout Checklist, which can be found here:

https://www.bc.edu/content/dam/files/research/osp/Dept_Closeout_Checklist.pdf You may also access this form via our website at www.bc.edu/osp by navigating to "Assistance Documentation and Forms", under *Award Management Forms.*

*Note: The Closeout Checklist must be electronically signed- to do so, the signer will need to go into Adobe Pro, click on the Fill & Sign menu on the right side, then click on Place Signature, and follow the system's prompts before saving.

3. Residual balance transfers cannot be requested for balances under \$1,000- BC Central Finance processes a manual sweep of these funds.

4. Any residual balance transfer requests over \$5K will require a valid research justification and will need to be reviewed by the Director of OSP for approval.

For any questions on this policy please feel free to reach out to your OSP Representative.

OSP Staffing Update

OSP is happy to announce that we have a new member joining our team! Miranda Pantano has joined OSP as our new Associate Director for International Grants & Subawards. In this new role Miranda will have oversight of creating outbound international subaward agreements, along with central office Subrecipient Management and Monitoring practices to include: FFATA Reporting, Subaward Risk Assessments, and approvals of outbound subaward payments. With a background in research administration, partnerships, and foundation relations, Miranda joins us from the University of Miami where she led the Pre-Award team within the Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center. Prior to that, she spent several years living abroad while working for various international universities and governmental economic business councils, negotiating, and administering international grants. She is a Boston native with both graduate and undergraduate degrees in International Relations. Please join me in extending a warm welcome to Miranda!

Using PIVOT to find funding opportunities

OSP has created step-by-step slides to help researchers search for external research funding using the PIVOT Database. This document can be accessed at www.bc.edu/osp by navigating to "Assistance Documentation and Forms", scroll under the Resources header and click on Find Funding Using PIVOT.

This new resource document which assists you in how to maneuver through PIVOT to search for new funding opportunities can also be found at this link below for your review and reference:

https://www.bc.edu/content/dam/files/research/osp/Find_Funding_Using_PIVOT%20.

NSF Updates and Notices

2022 NSF Policy Office – Webinar Series – Current and Pending Support

The first webinar in the 2022 NSF Policy Office Webinar Series, covering **Current and Pending Support**, was recently hosted on **January 31**, 2022. The webinar was recorded and is now available on-demand in the Resource Center andon our YouTube page.

Important Message from the NSF Regarding Research.gov Implementation Update

In accordance with Important Notice No. 147, many National Science Foundation (NSF) program solicitations now require the use of Research.gov for the preparation and submission of proposals. Please be advised that NSF will now start requiring the use of Research.gov for the preparation and submission of proposals in response to program descriptions. As a reminder, FastLane is targeted to be removed as a submission option from all funding opportunities when the *Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide* (PAPPG) goes into effect in January 2023. Grants.gov will remain a submission option for most NSF proposals.

Program Descriptions in Research.gov

To assist the research community, NSF developed a dynamic listing of program descriptions that require submission in Research.gov. Follow these steps to determine if your proposal for a specific program description must be prepared and submitted in Research.gov:

- Access the relevant NSF.gov program description page (e.g., Magnetospheric Physics, PD 98-5750).
- View the advisory in the Program Guidelines section on the right side of the program description page and click on the link in the advisory: Alert: Many NSF programs are only accepting proposals in Research.gov or Grants.gov. FastLane may no longer be a submission option. For more information, please visit Program Descriptions that Require Proposal Preparation and Submission in Research.gov or Grants.gov.

The document will identify program descriptions requiring Research.gov preparation and submission and the associated effective date. This document will be updated on an ongoing basis as FastLane will be removed from all program descriptions as a proposal preparation and submission option when the PAPPG goes into effect in January 2023.

Since many program solicitations also require submission in Research.gov, proposers should pay close attention to the requirements identified in those specific funding opportunities.

Research.gov Proposal Capabilities and Transition from FastLane Proposal Preparation

Nearly all FastLane proposal preparation and submission capabilities are now available in Research.gov. For details about the remaining proposal features that will soon be added to Research.gov, please see the Proposal Submission Capabilities table on the Research.gov About Proposal Preparation and Submission page. To stay informed about Research.gov and FastLane changes, we invite you to join our System Updates listserv. Sign up by sending a blank email to: system_updates-subscribe-request@listserv.nsf.gov.

NSF strongly encourages proposers to prepare and submit all supported proposals in Research.gov now, to facilitate a smooth transition from FastLane proposal

preparation to Research.gov over the next several months. In addition, NSF relies on your vital feedback to help ensure the system is working as intended and to identify areas of improvement. Feedback may be submitted at https://www.research.gov/research-web/feedback.

Research.gov Proposal Preparation and Submission Training Resources

Research.gov About Proposal Preparation and Submission page

- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) by topic
- Video Tutorials
- How-to Guides
- Research.gov Proposal Preparation Demo Site (See the demo site FAQs on the Research.gov About Proposal Preparation and Submission page for access information and demo site features.)
- Research.gov Update and Demonstration presentation from the Fall 2021 NSF Virtual Grants Conference

Questions? If you have IT system-related questions, please contact the NSF Help Desk at 1-800-381-1532 (7:00 AM - 9:00 PM ET; Monday - Friday except federal holidays) or via rgov@nsf.gov. Policy-related questions should be directed to policy@nsf.gov.

Regards,

National Science Foundation

Message from the NSF Regarding Hanover Research Webinar Series

One of the most prestigious awards for early investigators, the National Science Foundation (NSF) Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER) requires an integrated plan for innovative research and education that sets the stage for a high-impact career.

In this webinar, Hanover will provide key insights for faculty pursuing NSF CAREER, including:

- Effective strategies to consider in developing your proposal (Fact)
- Myths and misconceptions about the NSF CAREER program (Fiction)
- Major questions faced by faculty developing CAREER proposals

Webinar: Fact or Fiction: NSF CAREER

Date: Thursday, April 28th Time: 12pm ET / 9am PT

Presenters:

Rob Guroff — Managing Grants Consultant, *Hanover Research* Melissa Cornish — Senior Grants Consultant, *Hanover Research* Erin Bangsboll — Senior Content Director, *Hanover Research*

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Unable to attend? Register and we will send a copy of the recording and slides after the webinar.

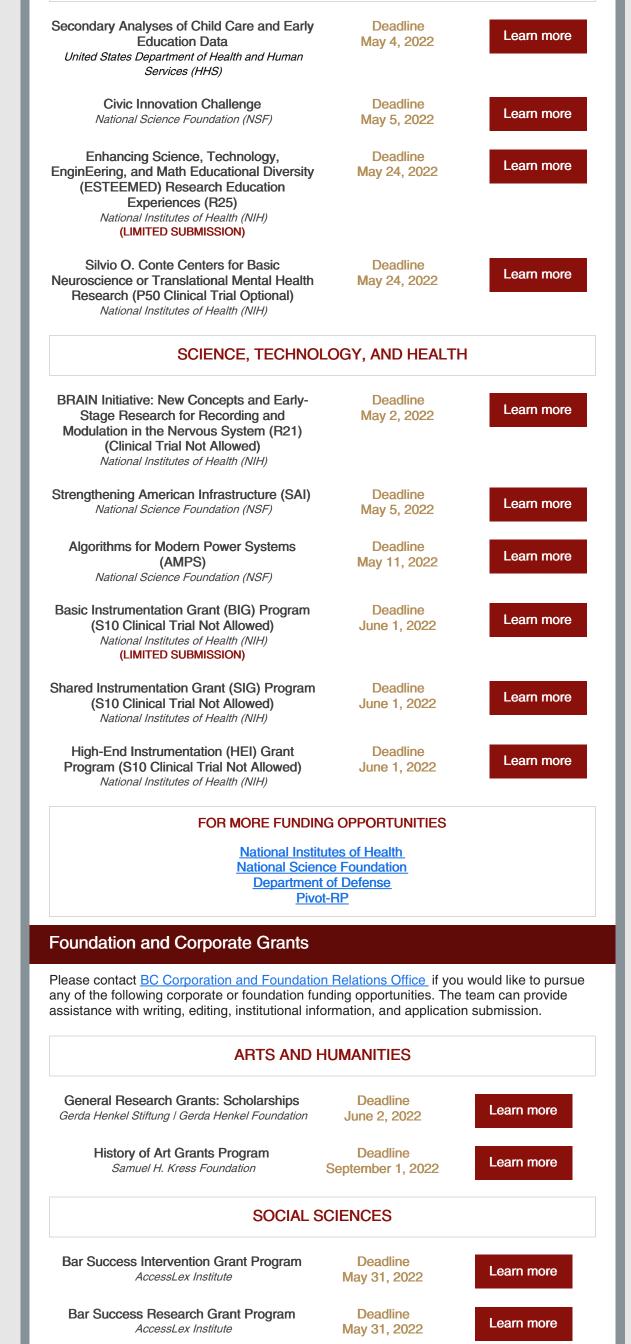
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Government Funding Opportunities

Please contact your Department Research Administrator or <u>OSP Team Representative</u> if you need assistance with the application.

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Arts Envoy Program United States Department of State (DOS) (LIMITED SUBMISSION)	Deadline May 16, 2022	Learn more
Humanities Initiatives at Colleges and Universities National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)	Deadline May 19, 2022	Learn more
Grants for Arts Projects National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) (LIMITED SUBMISSION)	Deadline July 7, 2022	Learn more

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Strategy and Policy Fellows Program Smith Richardson Foundation, Inc.	Deadline June 18, 2022	Learn more	
Private Higher Education Grants Arthur Vining Davis Foundations	Deadline August 26, 2022	Learn more	
General Grant Program FINRA Investor Education Foundation	You can apply for this opportunity at any time.	Learn more	
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