OSP Updates and Funding Opportunities Announcement
February 2022

OSP Announcements and Reminders

OSP Exchange

REMINDER: OUR RESCHEDULED SESSION IS TUESDAY!
We will be partnering with the A&S Service Center and Corporate & Foundation Relations for a very important training event on proposals and budget preparation. This will be held virtually.

Session details:
February 8, 2022
Topic: Pre-Award Budgeting and Preparations- Hot Topics

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

Zoom details:
https://bccte.zoom.us/j/93037891719

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 www.bc.edu/osp and click on the OSP Exchange icon.

Important OSP Policy updates

Revised OSP Travel Policy and Guidance
OSP has updated and revised our OSP Travel on Sponsored Programs Policy and our Travel and Meeting Costs on Sponsored Awards Guidance.

The new policy and guidance documents can be found here:
https://www.bc.edu/content/bc-web/research/sites/vice-provost-for-research/sponsored-programs/research-policies.html

Notable changes within our policy are as follows:

1- AirBNB used as lodging is no longer an unallowable cost. However sufficient documentation must be presented for reimbursement to ensure cost is allowable, allocable, and reasonable to the project being charged.

2- The new policy broadly references Uniform Guidance 200.475 (e) with regards to airfare costs.

3- The purchase of car rental insurance for a basic car rental during a business-related trip specifically related to a sponsored project is now considered allowable, unless otherwise restricted by sponsor.

Managing Awards for Success
Successful award management is one of the most important factors in reducing administrative burden. Here are some best practices to follow throughout the life of the award.

Proposal Development
Award management starts at proposal development! This is the time to identify items that will need to be addressed at time of award such as hiring needs, potential compliance holds, and large purchases required at the start of the project.
Notification of Funding

As soon as you are aware that a project will be funded, you should take the following steps:

- Determine whether an advance account is needed
- Ensure all compliance issues have been resolved
- Start paperwork and process for new hires
- Start the paperwork and process for equipment or other major purchases needed

We want to take the opportunity to remind you to use advance accounts to your advantage! Advance accounts can significantly reduce work by eliminating the need for cost transfers and labor re-distributions once the award comes in.

Award Received

Once the award is received and the account setup is complete, the following should be done:

- Review the terms and conditions of the award
- Be familiar with programmatic and financial reporting requirements
- Effort and payroll
- Review the budget
- Identify subawards and work with OSP to ensure contracts are drafted and executed

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Monthly Award Management

Regular reviews of grant accounts are essential and an important aspect of reducing burden.

- Review expenditures for allowability
- Review effort and salary plans with the PI
- Review burn rate
- Address deficits
- Determine if any prior approval requests are required

Three to Six Months Prior to End Date

In addition to the regular monthly review, this is the time to determine if a no cost extension will be needed and if all deliverables have been met.

When awards are managed well, there are significant reductions in cost transfers, labor re-distributions and other processes like effort certifications and closeout become easy. It also significantly reduces the likelihood of deficits or returning funds at the end of the award.

Government Funding Opportunities

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

ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Challenge America

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

Deadline: April 21, 2022

Planning for Collaborative Digital Editions in African American, Asian American, Hispanic American, and Native American History and Ethnic Studies

National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

Deadline: June 8, 2022

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Racial Equity in STEM Education

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Deadline: March 22, 2022

Innovations in Graduate Education (IGE) Program

National Science Foundation (NSF)

(LIMITED SUBMISSION)

Deadline: March 25, 2022

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND HEALTH

NARMS Cooperative Agreement Program to Strengthen Antibiotic Resistance Surveillance in Retail Food Specimens

(U01) Clinical Trials Not Allowed

National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

Deadline: April 1, 2022
Services (HHS)

GERMINATION: Germination of Research Questions for Addressing Critical Societal Challenges
National Science Foundation (NSF)
(LIMITED SUBMISSION)

Division of Integrative Organismal Systems Core Programs (IOS)
National Science Foundation (NSF)

You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

Plant Biotic Interactions
National Science Foundation (NSF)

You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

FOR MORE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

National Institutes of Health
National Science Foundation
Department of Defense
Pivot-RP

Foundation and Corporate Grants

Please contact BC Corporation and Foundation Relations Office if you would like to pursue any of the following corporate or foundation funding opportunities. The team can provide assistance with writing, editing, institutional information, and application submission.

ARTS AND HUMANITIES

General Research Grants: Projects
Gerda Henkel Stiftung / Gerda Henkel Foundation
Deadline June 1, 2022

Grants
Carnegie Corporation of New York
You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

Grants
Corning Incorporated Foundation
You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Existing Educational Program Evaluation Grants
Brady Education Foundation
Deadline April 1, 2022

Opportunity Awards
James S. McDonnell Foundation (JSMF)
Deadline April 1, 2022

Sponsored Research Program
Project Management Institute, Inc. (PMI)
Deadline April 25, 2022

Nonprofit Grants
State Street Corporation
You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

Grants
Michael & Susan Dell Foundation
You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND HEALTH

Medical Research Grants
Robert J. Kleberg, Jr. and Helen C. Kleberg Foundation
(LIMITED SUBMISSION)
Deadline March 31, 2022

The Audacious Project
Technology, Entertainment, Design (TED)
You can apply for this opportunity at
Grants
Alfred P. Sloan Foundation
You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

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Grants
Open Road Alliance
You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

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