OSP Updates and Funding Opportunities Announcement
November 2021

OSP Announcements and Reminders

OSP Exchange

November Session
Sign up for November’s OSP Exchange to learn more about OSP’s new closeout process. Research Faculty and Research Administrators are encouraged to attend.

November 30, 2021, McElroy Commons 237, 2:00-3:30 pm
Topic: Facilitating the Close Out Process: steps to take to properly close out awards

Want to attend virtually? Use the link provided:
Join Zoom Meeting
https://bccte.zoom.us/j/97639652088

January session- SAVE THE DATE!
OSP would like to announce our January session. We will be partnering with the A&S Service Center for a very important training event on proposals and budget preparation. This will be held in a classroom setting and also virtually. Due to space limitations, on-site training will be on a first come, first serve basis, so please register early. If there is not enough on-site space we are encouraging virtual attendance.

January 11, 2021, TBD-Classroom setting, 10:00-11:45 (w/virtual option)
Topic: Pre-Award Budgeting and Preparations- Grants.gov, PAMS, Research.gov, FastLane, NIH ASSIST and Proposal Central

**All Departmental Research Administrators are highly encouraged to attend, send us your questions in advance! **

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 icon OSP Exchange.

Important Information

Late Reporting to Sponsors
Federal regulations (specifically the Uniform Guidance 2 CFR § 200.344) require recipients of federal awards to submit all reports within 120 days of the award end date. Late reports not submitted within one year of the award end date are now required to be reported by the federal sponsor as a material failure to comply to the OMB-designated integrity and performance system. Any reporting to FAPIIS will negatively impact awards made to Boston College. It is important that all awards at BC get closed properly and that all reports are submitted timely. If a Principal Investigator departs from the university, reports must be submitted prior to his/her
If you have questions about this requirement, please contact OSP.

The full text of the regulation 2 CFR § 200.344:

“If the non-Federal entity does not submit all reports in accordance with this section within one year of the period of performance end date, the Federal awarding agency must report the non-Federal entity’s material failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the award to the OMB-designated integrity and performance system (currently FAPIIS). Federal awarding agencies may also pursue other enforcement actions per § 200.339.”

Effort Reporting

Certifications of salary costs charged to an award represent actual effort expended on the project and are therefore allowable. Timely certifications are important, as unallowable costs (which includes inappropriate salary charges) must be removed from a sponsored project. OSP policy provides 45 days for salary certifications to occur.

Generally, when awards are managed well, Time and Effort Reports are accurate and can be approved quickly and easily.

Here are some best practices:

Award Management
- Discuss staffing/effort plans with the PI when the notice of award comes in and submit adjustments to payroll allocations timely via ECR's.
- Review salary allocations with the PI monthly and submit payroll accounting adjustments / ECR's as soon as a change is required.
- Submit Employee Change Request form (ECR) to change payroll allocation before the payroll deadlines, e.g., before the month it is to be paid.

Effort Certification Period
- Follow all timelines and guidance provided by OSP.
- Review Time and Effort Reports timely.

Reach out to OSP with issues or concerns early.

For additional information please refer to OSP’s Effort Reporting Policy:
https://www.bc.edu/content/dam/files/research/osp/EffortReportingPolicy2.pdf

Sign Up Now

eRA Commons Two-Factor Authentication

Remember that you have 45 days from the date of your electronic submission to NIH to start using two-factor authentication for your eRA account (See Guide Notice: NOT-OD-21-172).

Be sure in the next few weeks to start using two-factor authentication so you will be able to continue to do business in eRA systems past the 45-day deadline. We figure it will be easier for you if you make the transition now, rather than later.

For two-factor authentication, you can choose Login.gov and/or your InCommon Federated account (provided it meets NIH’s two-factor authentication standards). Use this flyer or watch a video to guide you through the steps.

See the following for information and resources:
- Two-Factor Authentication: Access eRA Modules via Login.gov
- Two-Factor Authentication: Access eRA Modules via an InCommon Federated Account

Note: If you have already successfully used your Federated account on or after September 15, 2021 to access eRA Commons, you can disregard this message.

NSF Updates

We want to make you aware that the NSF Cooperative Agreement Financial and Administrative Terms and Conditions (CA-FATC) have been updated to implement Executive Order 14042, Ensuring Adequate COVID Safety Protocols for Federal Contractors.

The revised CA-FATC will apply to all new NSF cooperative agreements and funding amendments to existing cooperative agreements made on or after October 25, 2021.
Government Funding Opportunities

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

**ARTS AND HUMANITIES**

**Dynamic Language Infrastructure - NEH**  
Documenting Endangered Languages (DLI-DEL)  
National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Deadline: February 15, 2022  
Learn more

**Language Resource Centers Program**  
United States Department of Education (ED)  
Deadline: June 25, 2022  
Learn more

**Infrastructure and Capacity Building Challenge Grants**  
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)  
(LIMITED SUBMISSION)  
Deadline: August 17, 2022  
Learn more

**SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**Human Networks and Data Science (HNDS)**  
National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Deadline: January 13, 2022  
Learn more

**Accountable Institutions and Behavior**  
National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Deadline: January 15, 2022  
Learn more

**Security and Preparedness**  
National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Deadline: January 15, 2022  
Learn more

**Decision, Risk and Management Sciences (DRMS)**  
National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Deadline: January 17, 2022  
Learn more

**Ethical Issues in Translational Science Research (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)**  
National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
Deadline: February 8, 2022  
Learn more

**SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND HEALTH**

**Launching Early-Career Academic Pathways in the Mathematical and Physical Sciences (LEAPS-MPS)**  
National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Deadline: January 7, 2022  
Learn more

**Research and Mentoring for Postbaccalaureates in Biological Sciences (RaMP)**  
National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Deadline: January 20, 2022  
Learn more

**Science and Technology Centers: Integrative Partnerships (STC)**  
National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Deadline: February 1, 2022  
Learn more

**Large Research Projects for Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria (CARB) (R01)**  
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)  
Deadline: February 5, 2022  
Learn more
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.

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### SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND HEALTH

| Improving Methods for Conducting Patient-Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR) | Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCOR) | Deadline February 2, 2022 | Learn more |
| Fisheries Innovation Fund - Electronic Monitoring and Reporting Grant Program | National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) | Deadline June 16, 2022 | Learn more |
| Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease (PATH) | Burroughs Wellcome Fund (BWF) | Deadline July 16, 2022 | Learn more |