

# Sponsored Research - News, Updates, Reminders

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## NIH Updates

### Simplifying Review Criteria: A Request for Information

NIH has issued a [request for information \(RFI\)](#) seeking feedback on revising and simplifying the peer review framework for research project grant applications. The goal of this effort is to facilitate the mission of scientific peer review – identification of the strongest, highest-impact research. The proposed changes will allow peer reviewers to focus on scientific merit by evaluating 1) the scientific impact, research rigor, and feasibility of the proposed research without the distraction of administrative questions and 2) whether or not appropriate expertise and resources are available to conduct the research, thus mitigating the undue influence of the reputation of the institution or investigator.



NIH is specifically requesting public comment on the Proposed Revised Simplified Review Framework, a proposed revised framework for evaluating and scoring peer review criteria for NIH research project grant applications. [Comments should be submitted electronically at this link](#). Comments must be received by 11:59:59 PM (ET) on March 10, 2023, to ensure consideration.

### Forms H Application Instructions & Guide

As a reminder, NIH Forms H Application Packages are required for proposals submitted on or after January 25, 2023. The [FORMS-H application instructions](#) are posted. The [NIH Forms H checklist](#) will help you navigate the changes. [NIH Annotated Form Sets](#) are a great visual resource for understanding the required fields and compliance checks NIH runs against each application. Please do not hesitate to contact your [OSP Pre-Award Grants Specialist](#) for additional guidance

### NIH Data Management and Sharing Policy

The NIH Data Management and Sharing Policy took effect on January 25, 2023. The DMS Policy applies to all NIH research, funded or conducted in whole or in part by NIH, that results in the generation of scientific data. Note that the DMS Policy does **not** apply to research and other activities that do not generate scientific data, for example: research training, fellowships, infrastructure development, and non-research activities. See [Research Covered Under the Data Management & Sharing Policy](#) for more details.

The DMS Policy has two basic requirements:

1. Submission of a Data Management and Sharing (DMS) Plan outlining how scientific data and any accompanying metadata will be managed and shared, considering any potential restrictions or limitations.
2. Compliance with the Plan approved by the funding NIH Institute, Center, or Office.

NIH has developed a repository of [sample DMSP plans](#) for reference. In addition, OVPR has developed a [NIH DMSP template for our faculty](#).

The 2023 Data Management and Sharing (DMS) policy expects the submission of a DMS Plan that describes how the applicant will manage and share scientific data generated from NIH funds. To reduce the burden on applicants and staff, NIH now expects a single data sharing plan at time of funding application that satisfies both the Genomic Data Sharing (GDS) Policy and the DMS Policy. Therefore, on or after January 25, 2023, NIH will no longer be collecting separate GDS Plans. Applicants subject to both the [NIH Data Management and Sharing Policy](#) and the [NIH Genomic Data Sharing Policy](#) must attach a single Plan including elements for both policies.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** If a Data Management and Sharing Plan is required in the proposed application, costs to support these activities, including personnel costs (e.g., personnel who will be curating data for the project) must be noted as a single line item in the SF424 Budget. The line item must be titled "Data Management and Sharing Costs" (without quotation marks, but following exact phrase and spacing). The line item must only be used for Data Management and Sharing costs and cannot include or be combined with any "Other" costs. If no cost will be incurred, enter "0" in the "Funds Requested" column. Details regarding Data Management and Sharing costs must be specified in the Budget Justification attachment. The Data Management and Sharing justification must be clearly labeled as "Data Management and Sharing Justification" within the budget justification attachment. Provide a brief summary of type and amount of scientific data to be preserved and shared and the name of the established repository(ies) where they will be preserved and shared. Indicate general cost categories such as curating data and developing supporting documentation, local data management activities, preserving and sharing data through established repositories, etc., including an amount for each category and a brief explanation. Specify in the justification if no costs will be incurred for Data Management and Sharing, if applicable. The recommended length of the justification should be no more than half a page.

Check out NIH's [2023 Data Management & Sharing Policy FAQs](#) including a new set of Budget/Cost FAQs.

The NIH eRA Systems (e.g., ASSIST, eRA Commons) perform several business rule validations to support the Data Management and Sharing (DMS) Policy implementation. The validations ensure the DMS Plan, associated budget line item, and budget justification are included when the DMS Policy applies and are not included when it does not apply.

#### eRA System Validations and the Actions You Can Take to Address Them

Error Message	Actions
<p><b>The "Data Management and Sharing Plan" attachment must be included for this application.</b></p>	<p>Verify the DMS Policy applies to the FOA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applies: Include a DMS Plan attachment in the Other Plan(s) field of the PHS 398 Research Plan or PHS 398 Career Development Award Supplemental form (whichever form is included).</li> <li>• Does not apply: Contact the <a href="#">eRA Service Desk</a> for assistance.</li> </ul>

<p>The “Data Management and Sharing Plan” attachment cannot be submitted for this application.</p>	<p>Verify the DMS Policy applies to the FOA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applies: Contact the <a href="#">eRA Service Desk</a> for assistance.</li> <li>• Does not apply: Remove any attachments from the Other Plan(s) field of the PHS 398 Research Plan, PHS 398 Career Development Award Supplemental, PHS Fellowship Supplemental, or PHS 398 Research Training Program Plan form (whichever form is included).</li> </ul>
<p>An Other Plan(s) attachment is not allowed at the component level. The Data Management and Sharing plan should only be included in the Overall Component.</p>	<p>In your multi-project application, remove any attachments from the Other Plan(s) field of the PHS 398 Research Plan, PHS 398 Career Development Award Supplemental, or PHS 398 Research Training Program Plan forms in any non-Overall component.</p>
<p>An entry labeled “Data Management and Sharing Costs” must be entered in the Other Direct Cost section F of the R&amp;R Budget form for at least one component since an attachment has been uploaded to the Other Plan(s) section of the Research Plan form in the Overall.</p>	<p>For multi-project applications, the DMS Plan is included with the Overall component, but the associated Data Management and Sharing Costs must be included in at least one non-Overall component (the Overall component doesn’t have its own budget form, it is calculated by combining the budgets in the other components where the work is done).</p> <p>Verify the DMS Policy applies to the FOA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applies: Verify at least one component includes at least one budget period on the R&amp;R Budget form with an Other Direct Cost entry in section F with the <b>exact</b> label “Data Management and Sharing Costs” (without quotes). We do a text string match. If no cost will be incurred, include the “Data Management and Sharing Costs” entry and indicate “0” Funds Requested.</li> <li>• Does not apply: Remove any attachments from Other Plan(s) field of the PHS 398 Research Plan in the Overall component.</li> </ul>
<p>An entry labeled “Data Management and Sharing Costs” must be entered in the Other Direct Cost section F of the R&amp;R Budget form since an attachment has been uploaded to the Other Plan(s) section of the &lt;Insert appropriate form name&gt;.</p>	<p>Verify the DMS Policy applies to the FOA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applies: Verify at least one budget period on the R&amp;R Budget form includes an Other Direct Cost entry in section F with the <b>exact</b> label “Data Management and Sharing Costs” (without quotes). We do a text string match. If no cost will be incurred, include the “Data Management and Sharing Costs” entry and indicate “0” Funds Requested.</li> <li>• Does not apply: Remove any attachments from Other Plan(s) field of the PHS 398 Research Plan or PHS 398 Career Development Award Supplemental form (whichever form is included).</li> </ul>
<p>“Data Management and Sharing Costs” can only be entered on one of the lines in Section F Other Direct Costs within the same budget period.</p>	<p>Verify every budget period of the R&amp;R Budget form has no more than one Other Direct Cost entry in section F labeled “Data Management and Sharing Costs.”</p>

An attachment must be uploaded under the Additional Narrative Justification attachment of the Modular Budget form to specify “Data Management and Sharing Costs.”

Verify the DMS Policy applies to the FOA

- Applies: Ensure the Modular Budget form includes an Additional Narrative Justification attachment that contains a data management and sharing justification.
- Does not apply: If an Other Plan(s) attachment is included on the PHS 398 Research Plan form, remove it (the existence of the attachment triggers the error).

## Publication of Revised NIH Grants Policy Statement

[NOT-OD-23-045](#) has announced the publication of the updated NIH Grants Policy Statement (GPS). The GPS provides up-to-date policy guidance that serves as NIH standard terms and conditions of award for all NIH grants and cooperative agreements.

This GPS will be applicable to all NIH grants and cooperative agreements with budget periods beginning on or after October 1, 2022 and supersedes the GPS dated December 2021.

A [Summary of Significant Changes since December 2022](#) can be found on [NIH’s Policy and Compliance - NIHGPS website](#).

## NIH Salary Cap Update

NIH has released [NOT-OD-23-056](#), establishing a new salary limitation for grant and cooperative agreement awards based on Executive Level II pay levels. Effective **January 1, 2023**, the salary limitation for Executive Level II pay is **\$212,100**.

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## NSF Updates

### PAPPG 23-1

[PAPPG 23-1](#) - As a reminder the NSF Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide is available online and effective January 30, 2023.

Key changes to the PAPPG include:

- Revisions to the [Biographical Sketch](#) and [Current and Pending Support format](#) formats to include [certifications](#) from the individual (as required by the 2021 National Defense Authorization Act, Section 223) regarding information being accurate, current, and complete.
- Requirement for NSF program officers to request updated [Current and Pending Support information](#) prior to making a funding recommendation, in accordance with the NSPM-33 Implementation Guidance. A new Post Award Disclosure of Current Support and In-Kind Contributions notification has been added. Access this new request using the Notification & Requests link under Awards & Reporting on the Research.gov My Desktop page. [Refer to PAPPG Chapter 9.C](#).

- Requirements for use of SciENCv for the [Biographical Sketch](#) and [Current and Pending Support](#) documents.
- New sections on [Research Security](#) and Scientific Integrity.



- Requirement for proposers to provide a certification regarding [Safe and Inclusive Working Environments for Off-Campus and Off-Site Research](#).

### **NSF Safe and Inclusive Working Environments for Off-Campus and Off-Site Research**

It is NSF policy to foster safe and harassment-free environments wherever science is conducted. Effective with the implementation of the PAPPG 23-1, for ALL proposals that propose to conduct research off-campus/off-site, OSP must now complete a certification that the organization has a plan in place for that proposal that describes how the following types of behavior will be addressed:

1. Abuse of any person, including, but not limited to, harassment, stalking, bullying, or hazing of any kind, whether the behavior is carried out verbally, physically, electronically, or in written form; or
2. Conduct that is unwelcome, offensive, indecent, obscene, or disorderly.

NSF defines Off-campus or Off-site research as data/information/samples being collected off-campus or off-site, such as fieldwork and research activities on vessels and aircraft. Note that a new box will appear on the NSF Research.gov Cover Sheet titled Off-Campus or Off-Site Research.

If your proposal meets the NSF definition of off-campus/off-site, in the myResearch FP, you will indicate yes to this question in the General Proposal Information section and upload a copy of the plan. [OSP has developed a template for SBU faculty to use when developing their Safe and Inclusive Working Environments for Off-Campus and Off-Site Research Plan](#).

Additionally, the NSF Directorates for Biological Sciences (BIO) and Geosciences (GEO) are piloting including the Safe and Inclusive Working Environments for Off-Campus and Off-Site Research Plan as a Supplemental Document. Several [solicitations from BIO and GEO](#) will soon require the submission of a Safe and Inclusive Work Environments Plan that will be considered as part of the Broader Impacts criteria during the review process.

Reviewers will evaluate the plan under Broader Impacts Evaluation in addition to solicitation specific questions that include:

- Is there a compelling plan (including the procedures, training, and communication processes) to establish, nurture, and maintain an inclusive off-site working environment(s)?
- Does the proposed plan identify and adequately address the unique challenges for the team and the specific off-campus or off-site setting(s)?
- Are the organizational mechanisms to be used for reporting, responding to, and resolving issues of harassment, should they occur, clearly outlined?

### **FASTLANE Decommissioning**

Effective with implementation of the [Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide](#) (PAPPG) (NSF 23-1) on January 30, 2023, FastLane was removed as a submission option from all funding opportunities. Limited FastLane proposal capabilities such as proposal file updates and budget revisions will remain available for FastLane-submitted proposals until September 29, 2023. This includes proposals submitted to NSF via Grants.gov on or before November 18, 2022. FastLane submitted and in-progress proposals and supplemental funding requests will not be transferred to Research.gov; however, the reviews and summaries for proposals submitted in FastLane will remain available in Research.gov. Authorized Organizational Representatives, Sponsored Projects Officers, Principal Investigators (PIs), and co-PIs should download or print FastLane submitted and in-progress proposals and supplemental funding requests by the September 29, 2023, deadline if they wish to have copies of the documents currently in FastLane. Refer to the [FastLane Decommissioning](#) page for additional information. NSF will be updating the referenced page on an ongoing basis.

## DOE Updates



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
**ENERGY**

### New SC Requirement for Promoting Inclusive and Equitable Research (PIER) Plan

Beginning in FY 2023, all Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Science (SC) Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) and DOE National Lab Announcements and other funding solicitations will require applicants to submit a [Promoting Inclusive and Equitable Research \(PIER\) Plan](#) as an appendix to their proposal narrative. PIER Plans should describe the activities and strategies applicants will incorporate to promote diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in their research projects. PIER Plans will be evaluated as part of the merit review process and will be used to inform funding decisions.

### Interagency Formats for Current and Pending Support and Biographical Sketches

DOE Office of Science (SC) **strongly encourages** all researchers to use the online SciENCv system to ensure that their documents are prepared in the appropriate format with the least inconvenience. Interagency common instructions for preparing current and pending support and biographical sketches are being developed. The [Science Experts Network Curriculum Vitae \(SciENCv\)](#) system will be updated to support the forthcoming common instructions and formats. The fillable PDFs at <https://nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/nsfapprovedformats/> may not be available in the future. **When interagency common formats and instructions are promulgated, their use will be required.**

## myResearch Updates and Reminders

### Grants

#### New Question Added to General Proposal Information Page

We have added a question to the General Proposal Information page in response to the new NSF requirement that the Authorized Organizational Representative (AOR) certify that each proposal that meets the NSF off-campus/off-site research definition has a Safe and Inclusive Working Environments for Off-Campus and Off-Site Research Plan. See the newsletter article titled, NSF Safe and Inclusive Working Environments for Off-Campus and Off-Site Research, for more information.

The question is at the end of the page and reads as follows:

11.0 \* For NSF submissions only (direct or flow-through), NSF defines "off-campus or off-site research" as "data/information/samples being collected off-campus or off-site, such as fieldwork on research vessels and aircraft." Does the proposed submission meet this NSF definition?

If you answer yes, you will be prompted to upload a copy of the plan.

Additionally, a new PI certification has been added stating: *If an NSF Safe & Inclusive Plan is included, I agree to disseminate this plan to all individuals participating in the off-campus or off-site research a minimum of 7 days prior to the commencement of the work.*

### Agreements

The myResearch Agreements module was first released in 2018. As with all our modules, we have a planned roadmap for Agreements. The next release of Agreements (version 10.5) is planned for Q2 2023. This new release includes improvements to the ancillary review process; a new administrative

change action; updates to the workflow and state; and agreement tagging. Additional improvements include customizations for outgoing federal subawards, and new reporting features.

As a reminder, all agreements that flow through The Research Foundation and are supported by the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) can be initiated either by OSP or by the PI/their research administrative staff. For questions, reach out to [osp\\_contracts@stonybrook.edu](mailto:osp_contracts@stonybrook.edu).

## OSP Announcements and Reminders

### Who's new in OSP?

We'd like to welcome **Margaret Badon**, **Denise Allicino** and **Phoebe Taitz** to OSP. Margaret serves as a Grants & Contracts Specialist for Post-Awards, Denise joined the Accounts Establishment Unit as an Award Specialist, and Phoebe serves as a Grants Administrator who will support the pre and post-award operations. Their research, accounting and/or administration experience make them valuable assets to our office. Margaret and Denise have already begun immersing themselves in SBU's processes and systems. Welcome to SBU and OSP Margaret, Denise and Phoebe!

### Congratulations New CRA

We would like to congratulate **Selamu Shega**, Subawards and Grants Specialist, on recently passing the Fall 2022 **CRA** Exam. This rigorous exam consists of 250 questions, and tests on all areas of research administration. Congratulations Selamu and job well done!!

### Service Recognition

Congratulations to **Razeema Sahib**, Assistant Director Account Establishment Unit, on celebrating 25-year of service! What an incredible milestone! Thank you Razeema for your dedication and amazing achievements.

### Additional OSP Staff Changes

In the latest issue of the OVPR Newsletter, OSP included an article regarding its upcoming reorganization in sub-specialties (pre-award, post-award, contracts, account establishment) to promote domain expertise in order to improve workflow and processing time. **Michele Canton**, Senior Grants and Contracts Specialist, in OSP, has been promoted to the position of a **Team Lead** for the post award operation. Her team, formed of 4 Grants and Contracts Specialists, will focus on providing high quality and timely support to faculty by solving problems, answering questions, giving guidance on active awards, and also acting as AOR on all post award submissions. Duties will include: receipt and processing of grants and cooperative agreements Notice of Award, no-cost extensions, PI/Award transfer - including sign-off for relinquishing documents, carry-forward requests, RPPR preparation and submission, budget revisions, change of PI, change of scope. Michele can be reached at [michele.canton@stonybrook.edu](mailto:michele.canton@stonybrook.edu). Please join me in congratulating Michele on her promotion.

We are also thrilled to announce the promotion of **Danielle Kelly** to the role of a **Senior Contracts and Clinical Trials Officer**. Danielle has been pivotal in the success of contracts and clinical trials operation. In her new role, Danielle will serve as a primary expert in providing risk assessments and offering alternative approaches to mitigate contractual risks. She will also serve as senior member of the contracts team by being a problem-solving business partner to the Assistant Director for Contracts, especially in the development of solutions to unusually complex problems which require the regular use of a high degree of legal expertise. Well deserved, Danielle!

## New Resources Available Online

Our [Sponsor Info page](#) has been updated to include [DOE](#), [NIH](#) and [NSF](#) resources for proposal submission through award.

## OSP Email Contacts

Below are the main inboxes in use at OSP. Please use these inboxes based on their descriptions.

[osp@stonybrook.edu](mailto:osp@stonybrook.edu) - This inbox is responsible for all general inquiries, proposal requests, new awards, modifications/amendments, research system access requests, and issues for OSP.

[osp\\_contracts@stonybrook.edu](mailto:osp_contracts@stonybrook.edu) - This is the main inbox for the contracts, subaward and clinical trials team. Directing all inquiries, and especially supporting documentation, to this general email box will ensure all matters are logged in and routed to the Contracts/Clinical Trials or Subaward Specialist assigned to assist you.

[ovpr\\_myresearchgrants@stonybrook.edu](mailto:ovpr_myresearchgrants@stonybrook.edu) - This is the main inbox for inquiries related to the use, navigation or inquiries related to myResearch Grants module.

## Reminders

[Please contact your Specialist](#) as soon as you identify a grant opportunity for which you want to apply. Advance notice will provide you with detailed attention to your proposal by your OSP Specialist and will ensure that sponsor deadlines are met successfully. [Our proposal submission policy can be found here.](#)

# OGM Announcements and Reminders

## Research Foundation Bank of America PCard and Travel Card

Thank you to everyone who has applied for the Research Foundation (RF) Bank of America credit card. The program that launched in the fall of 2022 offers an all-in-one card which can be used as a Procurement-Card (P-Card), Travel Card (T-Card), and Non-Employee Travel Card (NET-Card) to alleviate out-of-pocket expenses.

**For more information and to apply for an RF Credit Card, Stony Brook employees (both State and RF) can [visit the Procurement website](#).**

**When determining if you should apply for an RF card, please consider that the following services are no longer available and can be accomplished using the RF card.**

- The Research Central Travel Account (previously arranged via Euro Lloyd or Direct Travel)
- Travel cash advances (with the exception of cash advances for subject cost and field expenses)
- Buyer-assisted Amazon purchases through WolfMart. ***RF Credit Card holders will use the Amazon WolfMart punch-out to purchase directly from Amazon going forward. These purchases will be reconciled through Concur using the Non-Travel policy to resolve credit card transactions.***

[For questions, please email sbu\\_travel\\_expense@stonybrook.edu.](mailto:sbu_travel_expense@stonybrook.edu)

All transactions that are charged to the Bank Of America PCard/Travel card are reconciled in Concur. Once card holders submit for approval by the Account Director the workflow routes to OGM for review

and approval against the Sponsored Award to ensure that the costs are in keeping with the specific terms and conditions and all related sponsoring agency regulations. We will continue to review and approve provided the charges are necessary, reasonable and allocated to the Award(s) that benefited from the expense.

Card holders will be responsible for corrections to the correct expenditure type and if an Award cannot support charges presented for reconciliation. PCards should not be used in the final 30 days of the active Award period.

### Reminder Meals and Dining Out

Federal Uniform Guidance, 2 CFR 200 ([eCFR :: 2 CFR 200.438 -- Entertainment costs](#)), indicates that meals and entertainment expenses are not allowable except for sponsored awards where meals are necessary to meet the objectives of the funded award and participation in the scientific goals, such as conferences.

As with all direct costs, charges must be necessary, reasonable and allocable, to specifically meet the objectives of the Federal research award. If the cost of a meal has been identified as necessary and serves a programmatic purpose this must be outlined as an anticipated cost in the approved budget from the federal awarding agency.

The cost of meals and dining out with colleagues, because the discussions include shared research goals and progress, are not allowable direct charges to federal awards.

### Welcome to New OGM Team Member

The Office of Grants Management is pleased to announce **Phoebe Daoud** as a new team member who will be assuming the oversight and processes related to SubAward activity. In this role Phoebe will be responsible for the execution of subaward agreements and amendments of active purchase orders for SubAwards as well as the invoice processes during the life cycle. We are excited to be able to build this additional resource for the post award process of these important collaborations. We have added Phoebe's contact information to the OVPR/OGM Staff directory.

### Service Recognition

Congratulations to **Annette Ainsley**, Manager of RF Accounting and Effort Reporting on the celebration of 30-years of service to the University and **Maryellen Bestenheider**, Sponsored Award Analyst, for 25 years. These are admirable milestones and we thank you both for your dedication and service to the research community.

### OGM email

The Office of Grants Management maintains a monitored email box, [ogm\\_ovpr@stonybrook.edu](mailto:ogm_ovpr@stonybrook.edu), for incoming documents that require processing, such as a material and services requisitions for recharging, paper travel reimbursements for non-employees and for general inquiries. Please be sure to include all Award/Project information in your email so we can properly direct your inquiry.

### Did you know?

The federal agencies that fund the majority of SBU's sponsored research do so with Awards that are actually funding commitments. This means that research expenditures must first be processed in the Research Foundation Business system, such as paying vendors and personnel, before we are allowed to request payment as reimbursement.

The OGM team invoices the various agencies throughout the funding cycle of all Awards, for costs that have been posted to the business system, as often as monthly, but only for those charges that have

been executed as payments. It is generally unallowable to invoice for costs that are anticipated and still obligated as open purchase orders or for payroll costs that have not been made by way of the RF bi-weekly payroll processes.

From the perspective of the agency program team, this can result in the appearance that the expenditures are not up to date or that we may not be invoicing sufficiently, since they base research progress on the payments they have made from the committed funding.

If a sponsoring agency contacts a PI to indicate that the spend rate is too low or that it appears to them that the institution is not invoicing, please refer these inquiries to Sheila Routh, Sr. Director of OGM [sheila.routh@stonybrook.edu](mailto:sheila.routh@stonybrook.edu).

In most cases the invoicing is indeed up to date but only reflects the actual costs for which we are permitted to invoice.

## Research Community Corner

The Research Community Corner is designed to provide our campus administrators and researchers with the opportunity to connect with our two central offices, OSP and OGM, by sharing important topics, updates, experiences, best practices which would help build a common understanding around pre and post-award research administration. Other relevant news or topics of interest we would like to know and share include department or unit changes due to retirement, reorganization, new hires; meaningful resources; helpful tips; training and support requests or ideas to peer administrators or faculty; OSP/OGM employee recognition messages. As always, OSP and OGM will work with departments to ensure faculty and research administrators have correct system access and provide training to those who are unfamiliar with OSP/OGM processes.

[Click here to share your news, ideas, best practices, or topics of interest!](#)

Topics must be submitted to us no later than the third Friday of each month in order to be reviewed and considered for publication.

## Training, Workshops and Other News

### NIH Virtual Grants Conference held February 1-2, 2023

The 2-day conference might be over, but there is still time to explore the NIH Grants Conference resources! NIH has made available a composite list of recordings and resources. Check out this composite list on the [2022-2023 NIH Grants Conference and Pre Con Events: Session Recordings and Resources Page](#). The [NIH Grants Conference website](#) also provides related information, such as agendas, presenter info, etc.

### DAC Meeting for Payroll and Fellowship Form Overview

The Office of Grants Management and the Human Resource Payroll teams will be hosting a virtual DAC meeting on Thursday March 23 at 10:00 a.m. to provide an overview on how to complete a Research Foundation Employee Appointment\Change and Fellowship form. Watch for the Zoom invite.

## myResearch Grants Training Sessions

The schedule for myResearch Grants training sessions can be found on our website. Users are encouraged to sign up and attend one of the training sessions at a convenient time in order to prepare for future submissions. [Click here to register for a training session](#). Registrants will be contacted by an OSP Specialist prior to the training class with the Zoom meeting information.

## OSP Workshops to be Announced!

There are a number of workshops under development. Please stay tuned!

## External Newsletters and Standard Deadlines

[Access external newsletters on our website](#) for the most up to date information from Grants.gov, NIH and other agencies.

[A link to standard NSF due dates can be found here](#).

Deadlines for Competing Grant and Cooperative Agreement Applications can be accessed on the [NIH website](#).

For additional funding opportunities, visit the [Office of Proposal Development webpage](#).

## Team Spotlights



Who is working on a cool new project and why? Working with someone who exceeded your expectations? This section will focus on recognizing the great service provided, and the good that happens on a daily basis in OSP and OGM.

To **Michele Canton** - *"Your support is instrumental and essential. We appreciate your helps and supports, and will continue to work with you for the post-award and management"* (Faculty, BME)

To **Fei Lin** - *"I have had two proposal submissions with Fei's help already, both with pleasant experience."* (Faculty, BME)

To **Jamie Murdock** - *"...she has been absolutely FANTASTIC supporting--enabling!--several different grants' successful submission. Not only has she clearly and effectively explained (and sometimes modeled) what we need to do in order to get our grants smoothly through MyResearch and submitted to Research.gov, she's provided advice on how to navigate occasionally byzantine NSF submission policies and technological setups.....It is always a total pleasure working with her, and I am incredibly grateful.....she's a total rock star, and I'm a massive fan."* (Faculty, Anthropology)

To **Jennifer Winger** and **Jamie Murdock** - *"I wanted to reach out to share with you the wonderful proposal season I had this year. The Mathematics dept submitted 14 proposals....I truly believe the ease at which these proposals were submitted had a lot to do with Jennifer Wingers help ( And when she was either sick or away on vacation Jamie Murdock stepped in without missing a beat.). They were both extremely responsive and knowledgeable. Oftentimes working after hours or on the weekends to respond to frantic emails where due dates were concerned...these two members of your staff were a pleasure to work with."* (Staff, Mathematics)

To **Sabrina Cerezo** - *“I want to comment on the outstanding support that Sabrina Cerezo has provided me...She is extremely knowledgeable, responsive, and patient. She has consistently gone above and beyond in her support, and is a pleasure to work with.”* (Faculty, SOMAS)



**“Build for your team a feeling of oneness, of dependence on one another and of strength to be derived by unity.” -Vince Lombardi**