MAY 2024

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

As funding opportunities are announced we will compile a full list on our website. The web page will be updated as new opportunities are discovered.

SUSTAINABILITY PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT

This grant award program, offered by the Sustainability Institute, will support teams of scholars from two or more distinct disciplines in the development of external funding proposals relating to one or more of the Sustainability Institute research program areas.
Deadline: June 1, 2024

NSF CAREER PROGRAM

The Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program is a Foundation-wide activity that offers the NSF’s most prestigious awards supporting early-career faculty with potential to serve as academic role models in research & ed. and to lead advances in the mission of their department or organization.
Deadline: July 24, 2024

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- ERIK and OTDI partner to provide new email encryption tool for research data

View All Funding Opportunities
On April 12, 2024, the third cohort of the CFAES STARS (Strategic Alignment for Research Success) program concluded their leadership development training at the 2024 Celebration of STARS, where they presented their Research Action Plans (RAP) to an audience of peers and members of CFAES Senior Leadership. These presentations provided a glimpse of the four grand challenges that are part CFAES's vision - We sustain life; sustainability, one health, rural-urban interface, and leadership.

This year's participants included:

Dr. Joshua Blakeslee, Associate Professor in the Department of Horticulture and Crop Science  
Dr. Cynthia Canan, Assistant Professor in Extension and State 4-H STEM Specialist  
Dr. Sheila Jacobi, Assistant Professor in the Department of Animal Sciences  
Dr. Scott Kenney, Associate Professor in the Center for Food Animal Health  
Dr. Subbu Kumarappan, Associate Professor at the Agricultural Technical Institute  
Dr. Ali Nazmi, Assistant Professor in the Department of Animal Sciences  
Dr. Jera Niewoehner-Green, Assistant Professor in the Department of Agricultural Communication, Education, and Leadership  
Dr. Garrett Owen, Assistant Professor in the Department of Horticulture and Crop Science  
Dr. Vinayak Shedekar, Assistant Professor in the Department of Food, Agricultural and Biological Engineering

It's not too late to join the next year's cohort as the deadline has been extended. To learn more about the program and to apply, visit here: research.cfaes.ohio-state.edu/professional-development/stars

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**SPOTLIGHT**

**SCARLET AND GRANTS DATABASE**

In case you missed it in this Wednesday's On Campus, The Office of Foundation Relations and the Office of Corporate Relations have curated a list of private funding opportunities. You can set up filters based on stage and area of research.  
*From the Ohio State News On Campus - 5/1/2024*

**THE NIH GRANTS PROCESS**

Take a walk with the NIH through the NIH grants process. NIH is offering “The NIH Grants Process: A Brief Walk-Through for Beginners” webinar on May 15, 1:00-2:30 pm ET. Registration is required and space is limited.  
*From the NCURA e-Xtra Volume XI, No. 17 - 4/29/2024*
FOOD, NUTRITION, AND CANCER SEED GRANT PROGRAM

The purpose of this seed grant program, sponsored through a partnership with the College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CFAES), Foods for Health Research Initiative (FFH), and Comprehensive Cancer Center (CCC), is to provide resources for new, exploratory research and collaborations in nutrition and cancer that capitalize on the collective expertise and resources available at Ohio State. Proposals must be led by faculty teams from both CFAES and the CCC. Please direct questions about the funding opportunity to Matt Teegarden (teegarden.3@osu.edu).

Release Date: March 25, 2024
Notice of Intent due: May 15, 2024
Applications due: June 17, 2024

RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT & GRANT WRITING NEWS

We invite you to access the current issue of Research Development and Grant Writing News. The Enterprise for Research, Innovation, and Knowledge | Research Development Office provides access to this subscription-based newsletter for the entire campus community.

- April 2024 Select List of Humanities, HSS, and Arts Opportunities & News – We list funding opportunities for scholars in the humanities, social sciences and the arts.
- Dangers and Opportunities of Technology: Funding Sources – We discuss this NEH program, which includes funding opportunities focused on methods of parceling and analyzing massive data that complement the core values of strengthening democracy, advancing equity, and addressing our cultural inheritance threatened by a changing climate.
- NSF Innovative Use of Scientific Collections – We discuss a recent NSF Dear Colleague Letter encouraging projects to increase and diversify the ways in which the research community can access and use scientific collections and collections-associated digital data and metadata.
- FY2025 NSF Budget: Exploring New Funding Directions – We discuss NSF’s FY 2025 Budget Request and what it tells us about NSF’s priorities.
- Figuring Out What You Want to Do for Your NSF CAREER Education Component – Many PIs struggle to figure out what to propose for their CAREER education component. We discuss ways to find inspiration.
- Summary of Changes: NIFA FY 2025 Budget Request – We discuss how USDA’s National Institute of Food and Agriculture’s FY 2025 budget request has changed from last year's budget.

From the April 2024 Issue of Research Development & Grant Writing News Listserv on 4/17/2024 -Subscribe
NSF EXPANDS THE NSF CONVERGENCE ACCELERATOR TO 10 REGIONS NATIONWIDE

The program expansion seeks to harness the nation's full geography of innovation. The U.S. National Science Foundation is excited to announce the expansion of the NSF Convergence Accelerator to 10 regions to enhance national and regional competitiveness in research, innovation and workforce development.

These 10 regional Convergence Accelerators will promote convergence research and innovation by connecting researchers, practitioners and stakeholders from various domains and sectors across each region to expand the innovation ecosystem and address pressing societal and economic challenges within their regions while supporting the NSF Convergence Accelerator's vision, mission and priorities.

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OMB OVERHAULS FEDERAL GRANT GUIDANCE TO SIMPLIFY IT FOR RECIPIENTS

OMB is revising the Guidance for Grants and Agreements, which is now called the OMB Guidance for Federal Financial Assistance. The effective date for the final guidance is October 1, 2024. See more in the Federal Register announcement today.

Most notably, the revised guidance:
- Increases the single audit threshold from $750,000 to $1 million
- Increases the de minimus indirect cost rate from 10 percent to 15 percent
- Increases the amount of subawards that can be applied to an indirect cost rate from $25,000 to $50,000
- Uses the terms “recipient” and “subrecipient” except in areas where a specific provision applies to an entity that is not a federal entity
- Increases the equipment and supply threshold from $5,000 to $10,000
- Increases the amount of fixed-amount subawards that may be made without prior approval from $250,000 to $500,000
- Revises areas of the cost principles, including clarification of pension costs

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OHIO STATE'S ANNUAL COI DISCLOSURE PROCESS

OSU’s annual conflict of interest (COI) disclosure process promotes our shared values of integrity and respect, and requires disclosure of outside activities, financial interests & other relationships to align with federal, state, and university requirements.

In keeping with these requirements and our shared values, you are required to complete a 2024 COI disclosure form at go.osu.edu/coi-current by 5/15/24.

Learn More
UPCOMING NIFA WEBINARS

5/14/24 | 3:00 PM EDT, NIFA Climate Change Priority Team Celebration: Accomplishments and the Path Forward

Learn more about the accomplishments of the NIFA Climate Change priority team and discuss what direction we will take moving forward.

6/12/24 | 2:00 PM EDT, Technical Assistance Webinar: AFRI Animal Systems

This webinar will highlight details about the programs run through the Animal Systems Division of the AFRI FAS RFA. We will discuss due dates, program priorities, eligibility, application details, etc.

6/25/24 | 6:00 PM EDT, Live FAQ Session: Rapid Response to Extreme Weather Events Across Food and Agriculture Systems

This program area priority is designed to rapidly identify and implement strategies to protect the nation’s food and ag supply chains and the people who support them during and after extreme weather events.

Learn more about this program area priority and meet our team during a live FAQ event. More details:

- Read the AFRI Foundational and Applied Science Request for Applications (RFA)
- Visit the A1712 program webpage
- Read the A1712 Frequently Asked Questions

Have you ever wondered how funding decisions are made? Do you have questions about serving on a Peer Review Panel and helping to make funding decisions? If the answer is “yes,” register to attend.

From USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture Daily Digest Bulletin 5/1/2024

EXPLORING THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN EXEMPT HUMAN SUBJECTS RESEARCH AND EXPEDITED IRB REVIEW

NIH has heard that there is some confusion about exempt human subjects research and expedited IRB review. Expedited review is not the same as exempt research. You can learn more about the NIH requirements for human subjects.

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NEW EMAIL ENCRYPTION TOOL FOR RESEARCH DATA

ERIK's secure research team is partnering with the Office of Technology and Digital Innovation (OTDI) to provide a new email tool for researchers that has a Technology Control Plan (TCP).

With the Virtru encryption tool, researchers can send and read encrypted messages and attachments without leaving university-supported Outlook account inboxes. Virtru is different than the secure email service, OSUSecure, which is offered to the broader university community, and will replace R accounts.

From the OTDI News on 1/29/24

NSF POLICY OFFICE WEBINAR

In case you missed it, view the recording of the recent “Implementing the Common Forms for the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending (Other) Support.” This session covered the policy behind NSF’s implementation in the Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG) (NSF 24-1). In addition, our colleagues from NIH/National Library of Medicine provided a demonstration of the revised capability to create and download these required proposal documents in SciENcv.

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RESEARCH RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT: SPIN DATABASE

SPIN is a funding opportunity database that provides information on more than 40,000 distinct funding opportunities from more than 10,000 global sponsors – including federal, state, industry and foundation sponsors.

The Enterprise for Research, Innovation and Knowledge (ERIK) provides a campus-wide subscription to the database for Ohio State researchers. Once a profile is created, researchers can create customized searches that generate a daily email funding alert and more. Learn more about creating a profile and accessing SPIN on the ERIK website.
RECENT AWARDS

Ohio Soybean Council

- Herbert Quintero Fonseca – OSU Extension, A learning journey for Ohio aquaculture industry, Ohio Soybean Council, $30,000
- Khandakar Islam, Arif Rahman – OSU South Centers, Advancing soybean yield in marginal soil, Ohio Soybean Council, $25,000
- Amanda Douridas – OSU Extension, Laura Lindsey, Stephanie Karhoff – HCS, $23,900: Educational programming for Ohio’s crop industry 2024, Ohio Soybean Council
- Tyler Carr – HCS, $25,000: Soy-based wetting agent proof-of-principle, Ohio Soybean Council
- Feng Qu – Plant Pathology, $25,000: Combating soybean root rot with a new virus sector (2024), Ohio Soybean Council
- Horacio Lopez-Nicora – Plant Pathology, $50,000: Ohio Soybean Council, Fungicides and microclimate: Managing white mold, Ohio Soybean Council
- Manbir Rakkar – SENR, Gregory LaBarge – OSU Extension, Leonardo Deiss – SENR, $30,000: Understanding crop response to P application, Ohio Soybean Council

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

5.8  AEDE Ohio Pathways to Sustainability | 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Explore key terminology and ideas in sustainability, in the context of Ohio’s journey
Register Now

5.9  Introduction to the Office of Responsible Research Practices | 2:30-4:00 PM
Intro to the office’s mission supporting the ethics boards & navigating requirements
Register Now

5.15 Open Science for Research Administrators | 9:30-10:30 AM
Navigating the evolving policy landscape of modern research and open science
Register Now