November 20, 2017

Re: News from the Contracts & Grants
To: Office All – Faculty Listserv

Dear Faculty,
We want to bring your attention to several news items including an upcoming event and resources that are available to inform and support your grant development and management activities.

1. **Lunch - Don’t forget**

The Contract & Grants Office will host a lunch on November 27 at noon in ED 4108 to answer any questions and discuss recent changes in the realm of Contracts & Grants. Please RSVP to Aaron (aaron.ballett@ucsb.edu) by Tuesday November 21 at noon.

2. **Student submissions**

This past year students submitted eight proposals (for small grants and some fellowship programs) that need to be process through the UCSB Office of Research. When you advise your students about grant submissions (for example to UC Mexus), please inform them about the need to submit a SPOOF so that the C&G office can provide them the maximum support. Mike Furlong has reached out to the Education and CCSP student organizations and will consult with them about meetings to discuss the grant development and submission process during the Winter quarter.

3. **Proposal Review Timeline**

Reminder that proposals must be submitted to Office of Research 7 business days prior to the required agency deadline date. In addition, our office requires a few days to complete our processes. Note that if proposals are not submitted with enough lead time, OR will complete an expedited review. If this occurs, PIs are responsible for ensuring that proposals meet are agency guidelines.

4. **Office of Research winter break closure**

The Office of Research will be closed Monday, December 25 through Monday, January 1. Any proposals with deadlines between December 22 and January 5 must be to their office for review by December 13. Please submit your SPOOF [https://ucsbeducation.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_39oxbgQ4TfEose1](https://ucsbeducation.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_39oxbgQ4TfEose1) ASAP if you plan to submit a proposal due during this time.
5. Institute of Education Sciences Previous IES Research Funding Opportunities

The National Center for Special Education Research (NCSER) and the National Center for Education Research (NCER) within the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) periodically host a series of webinars related to research funding opportunities. This link provides access to slides and audio/video summaries of information webinars that that IES staff presented last year help inform researchers of the various IES grant opportunities and to provide information about effect grant development. It includes such blockbuster titles as, “IES Basic Overview of Research Grants,” “IES application Process,” and IES Grant Writing Workshop.” Seriously, there is a lot of helpful information on the IESWebsite. The IES analysts are not involved in making funding decisions about proposals. Their goal and mission is to work with researchers to submit well-crafted and (hopefully) successful proposals. They really, really want to help you. If you select the “Menu” tab on this web page, you will see that the IES staff have provided researchers with other helpful information such as video examples of methodological applications that are commonly included in IES proposals and an overview of the peer review process, which provides insights for your grant development.

6. Student Employment

Reminder that all requests for student assistant and GSR appointments must be submitted on the GGSE employment request form. Please note that appointments for all students and others must be in the payroll system prior to any work being performed. This is MANDATORY. This step allows us to ensure that there is funding available, the individual is eligible to work, will be hired in the correct employment category and any needed exceptions are in place.

7. Reminder – Changes to UC travel policy.

Biggest changes are that the nightly lodging rate cap is $275 and the daily meal and incidental cap was lowered to $62/day for any travel within the lower 48 states.

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