

Research Development Office: Spring 2025 Activities

The Research Development Office (RDO) is a core unit within the Office of the Vice President for Research (OVPR). The RDO team orchestrates campus-wide events and activities, strategically oversees internal funding initiatives, facilitates connections to resources and supports successful research proposals.

Early Career Clubs

NIH K Club⁺

Designed to give you the knowledge and resources to craft competitive K award applications. K Club⁺ participants will take part in events and services including graphic design, editing, and reviews (both internal and external).

NSF CAREER Club

Designed to give you the knowledge and resources to craft competitive CAREER award applications. Club participants will take part in events and services including editing, graphic design, and reviews (both internal and external).

Improve Grantsmanship

Maximizing Pivot to Find Funding and Collaborators – Jan. 31, Feb. 19, March 12, April 14 (1 hour)

Do you want to maximize your time spent searching for funding opportunities or potential project collaborators? Join us either virtually or in-person to learn how Pivot can save you time and effort in identifying the right funding opportunities for your research lines as well as identifying collaborators with the relevant expertise.

AHI Unveiled: AHI Insights and Opportunities – Feb. 11 (11:00 am-12:00 pm)

The Arts & Humanities Initiative (AHI) is an OVPR internal funding program that encourages leading-edge scholarship, creative activities, and interdisciplinary research. Join us virtually to learn more about this program, hear from past reviewers, and have your questions answered.

Pivot Administrative Features: Connect Your Researchers to Funding Opportunities – Feb. 13 (9:00 am-10:00 am)

Are you looking for ways to assist researchers with identifying grant funding opportunities? Are you wanting to learn more about the enhanced administrative features of Pivot? Join us for a virtual information and demonstration session that will introduce Pivot Administrative Features.

EPSCoR Lunch and Learn Series: NSF - Feb. 18 (12:00 pm-1:00 pm)

This in-person session will focus on sharing details and insights associated with NSF's EPSCoR programs. Join us for lunch, learn about the available opportunities, and hear from your recently awarded colleagues about their experiences.

EPSCoR Lunch and Learn Series: DoD – March 13 (12:30 pm-1:30 pm)

This in-person session will focus on sharing details and insights associated with DoD's EPSCoR programs. Join us for lunch, learn about the available opportunities, and hear from your recently awarded colleagues about their experiences.

EPSCoR Lunch and Learn Series: DOE – April 16 (12:00 pm-1:00 pm)

This in-person session will focus on sharing details and insights associated with DOE's EPSCoR programs. Join us for lunch, learn about the available opportunities, and hear from your recently awarded colleagues about their experiences.

NSF CAREER Recent Awardee Panel Session – April 18 (11:00 am-12:00 pm)

This virtual panel session will provide an opportunity to hear from recently accomplished NSF CAREER award recipients regarding their experience with the application process, need-to-know information, plus much more. NSF CAREER Club event.

EPSCoR Lunch and Learn Series: NASA - April 30 (12:30 pm-1:30 pm)

This in-person session will focus on sharing details and insights associated with NASA's EPSCoR programs. Join us for lunch, learn about the available opportunities, and hear from Iowa NASA EPSCoR leadership.

Grow Your Network

Interdisciplinary Consortium for the Study of War & Genocide – Feb. 7 (10:30 am-12:00 pm)

The RDO and CLAS Office of the Dean invite you to an in-person workshop series focused on the Interdisciplinary Consortium for the Study of War and Genocide. The workshops will feature presentations by faculty members and networking opportunities.

Interdisciplinary Consortium for the Study of War & Genocide – March 7 (10:30 am-12:00 pm)

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Interdisciplinary Consortium for the Study of War & Genocide – April 11 (10:30 am-12:00 pm)

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Apply for Internal Funding

Arts & Humanities Initiative (AHI) Internal Deadline – March 11 (11:59 pm)

AHI is an OVPR internal funding program that encourages leading-edge scholarship, creative activities, and interdisciplinary research. Applications are due March 11.

RDO Resources

Proposal Resource Library

Contains examples of successful proposals for various funding agencies including federal agencies and private foundations. In addition, the resource library contains examples of various components required for proposals including budget justifications, resource sharing plans, and data management plans.

External Grant Review

To assist faculty in submitting proposals that are more successful, the RDO facilitates external reviews for proposals to external funding agencies. External review of proposals prior to submission will provide critical feedback in order to strengthen the proposal and improve the overall likelihood of success.

Funding Focus

Sign up for the Funding Focus newsletter to receive a weekly digest of limited submission opportunities available to the University of Iowa community. Limited submission programs are competitive funding programs that restrict the number of applications from one institution. The RDO facilitates the internal application and selection process for these programs.

Broader Impacts/Research Impacts Seminars Recordings

View the recordings presented by the training team from the NSF-supported Advancing Research Impact in Society (ARIS) organization. The ARIS team conducted five interactive virtual workshops in Spring 2024, offering valuable insights and strategies to strengthen the impact of research in society.



Learn More

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