The OSPR Beacon:

July 2016

Note from Director:

We have come to the end of the spring semester and we want to wish you all a healthy and enjoyable summer. Here at OSPR we are busy with applications that continue to go out all year long and with a physical move to one level down from where we are. Come visit us in our new space in 1A – 211. See you there!

Lisa Ebert

Please remember that RF annual leave must be taken each year.

Editor's Pick:

CDMRP Announces Tuberous Sclerosis Postdoctoral Development Award

The TSCRP Postdoctoral Development Award mechanism is being offered for the first time in FY16. The Postdoctoral Development Award supports recent doctoral or medical graduates to conduct impactful research with the mentorship of an experienced TSC researcher (i.e., Mentor). This opportunity allows for junior investigators to develop and investigate a TSC research project and further their intellectual development as a TSC researcher of the future. Under this award mechanism, the junior investigator is considered the Principal Investigator (PI), and the application should focus on the PI’s research and TSC career development. It should be clear that the proposed research is intellectually designed by the PI with assistance from the Mentor. Applicants for this award must exhibit a strong desire to develop and pursue a career in TSC research, with clear evidence for a researcher development plan that will lead to a successful independent career in TSC. Applicants must also demonstrate that the proposed research has high potential to lead to or make breakthroughs in TSC.

Cultivating Cultures for Ethical STEM (CCE STEM)

National Science Foundation (NSF)

CCE STEM research projects will use basic research to produce knowledge about what constitutes responsible or irresponsible, just or unjust scientific practices and sociotechnical systems, and how to best instill students with this knowledge.

Joan F. Giambalvo Fund for the Advancement of Women Open to Applications

The American Medical Association (AMA) Foundation in association with the AMA Women Physicians Section (WPS) has established the Joan F. Giambalvo Fund for the Advancement of Women with the goal of promoting women in the medical profession and strengthening the ability of the AMA to identify and address the needs of women physicians and medical students. Applicants should be 1) Female or male; 2) Working alone or collaboratively on the
specific research project; 3) Physicians, medical students, other health professionals, or individuals working or doing graduate work in an applicable profession such as public health, sociology, psychology, etc. AMA membership is not required.

The award is for a maximum of $10,000. The deadline for applications is July 31, 2016.

HHS Offering Funds for Clinical Sequencing Evidence-Generating Research

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity is to establish Clinical Sites with Enhanced Diversity that collectively encompass a broad spectrum of healthcare settings and serve ancestrally and socioeconomically diverse patients with a wide range of clinical conditions, to: 1) define, generate and analyze evidence regarding the clinical utility of genome sequencing; 2) research the critical interactions among patients, family members, health practitioners, and clinical laboratories that influence implementation of clinical genome sequencing; and 3) identify and address real-world barriers to integrating genomic, clinical, and healthcare utilization data within a healthcare system to build a shared evidence base for clinical decision-making. Applicants to this FOA are expected to recruit a minimum of 60% of patients who come from racial or ethnic minority populations, underserved populations, or populations who experience poorer medical outcomes. In contrast, applicants to the companion RFA HG-16-010 are expected to recruit a minimum of 25% of such patients.

Whitney Fellowship Seeks Imaginative, Well-Trained and Dedicated New Scientists

The Helen Hay Whitney Foundation supports early postdoctoral research training in all basic biomedical sciences. To attain its ultimate goal of increasing the number of imaginative, well-trained and dedicated medical scientists, the Foundation grants financial support of sufficient duration to help further the careers of young men and women engaged in biological or medical research. The Foundation expects that fellowship training will be obtained in an academic setting. The selection of a commercial or industrial laboratory for the training experience is not acceptable.

NEA Seeks to Support Transdisciplinary Research Partnerships

The National Endowment for the Arts Research Labs (NEA Research Labs), seeks to support a series of trans-disciplinary research partnerships, grounded in the social and behavioral sciences, to produce and report empirical insights about the arts for the benefit of arts and non-arts sectors alike.

The Spotlight- Notable Awards to CSI

- Stephen Ferst – The Transatlantic Friendship and Mobility Initiative Partnerships for Innovation and Collaboration on Study Abroad Grant Program (The Embassy of France) $20,000
**Grants Panel Project**

The Grants Panel Project continues into the fall semester. This program pairs junior or mid-level faculty with established faculty who have had some success in the pursuit of Research Grants. If you would like to become part of this program, or would like more information about it, please contact Scott Ritchie in the Office of Sponsored Programs and Research for details.

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In addition, look for additional Pivot trainings throughout the calendar year or call our Associate Scott Ritchie to arrange for one on one Pivot Training. We will also be offering a Responsible Conduct of Research Workshop this semester.

Scott Ritchie

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