

NEW INVESTIGATOR DEVELOPMENT SERIES

SSP's New Investigator Development Series is designed specifically to help with the development of first time grants by faculty in the social sciences. It utilizes a value-added approach to link with, and build upon, existing UNL resources and programs to enhance the potential for new grant development in the social sciences. In addition to a series of spring semester events, a continuing support structure is offered to facilitate the development of grant proposals revolving around a summer collaborative work group structure.

SPRING 2008 EVENTS

Please register online at <http://ssp.unl.edu/upcomingevents.html>

January 25, 2008
1:30-3:30pm
104 Benton Hall

New Investigator and Early Career Grant Opportunities

An overview of NIH and NSF grant mechanisms with an emphasis on the types of awards specifically targeted to new investigators and related opportunities where first time funding is a more likely outcome.

February 22, 2008
1:30-3:30pm
104 Benton Hall

Support for Writing Grant Proposals at UNL

This presentation will summarize the various support mechanisms at UNL that are available to assist social and behavioral science faculty develop grants. The session will address the types of resources and support available at each step along the way, from idea generation to final grant submission. Guest speakers from across the campus will discuss the services they provide. Speakers include Sara Trickle from Proposal Development, Susan Lund from the Pre-Award Office, Stacia Jorgenson from the Bureau of Sociological Research, and Mindy Anderson-Knott from SSP.

March 14, 2008
8:30am-5:00pm
Nebraska Champions Club

Getting Started as a Successful Grant Writer

This grant writing workshop, supported by the Office of Research and Graduate Studies, provides insightful information on how to structure grant proposals.

March 28, 2008
1:30-3:30pm
104 Benton Hall

IRB and NUgrant Overview

This presentation will provide a step by step explanation of how to submit human participant research proposals via NUgrant, as well as an explanation of the types of information the IRB needs to have in each section of the form. Each of the four forms currently on the IRB part of NUgrant (new protocol application, continuing review application, change in protocol request, and final reports) will be discussed. Speakers include Dr. Daniel Vasgird, Director of the Office of Research Compliance Services, and Becky Freeman, IRB Specialist.

May 12-13, 2008
Time and Location TBA

Developing a Competitive NIH Grant Proposal

A workshop by Dr. Lawrence Scheier (Co-Editor of new Oxford University Press publication, The Complete Writing Guide to NIH Behavioral Science Grants). The workshop will be structured around advice on NIH grant writing specifically in the social and behavioral sciences, with an emphasis on new investigator mechanisms and applications. This workshop will discuss the entire grant making process in the social & behavioral sciences, including demonstrating feasibility by highlighting preliminary data/experiences, power, and unique methodological concerns that are germane to social and behavior scientists.

CONTINUING SUPPORT STRUCTURE

Spring, 2008

SSP Consulting Meetings

Meetings with individual faculty members will be scheduled to review grant plans and discuss potential strategies and timelines. Faculty who are ready to start work on a grant will be asked to submit short concept papers.

Summer, 2008

Summer Collaborative Work Group Meetings

Faculty ready to write an NIH grant will be invited to participate in a work group to assist with the development of their proposals. Weekly meetings will be held through June and July to review progress on each of the grant proposals, identify areas of needed assistance, and critically evaluate the work in a group setting. The SSP will facilitate necessary support (research design, statistical planning, grant writing, etc.) as needed. Material will be submitted periodically to substantive/methodological consultants selected on the basis of grant-specific expertise for in-depth critical feedback. SSP will pay consultant fees.

Fall, 2008

Proposal Revision Support

Support will be provided to incorporate feedback from external consultants and the proposal development staff to revise proposal. Working group participants will be expected to attend the Office of Research Grant Writing Seminar (if have not previously attended). After revisions have been made, proposals will be submitted for final pre-submission review.

Spring, 2009

Proposal Submission Support

Support will be provided for preparation of electronic grant forms. Proposals will be submitted in February.

See the SSP website (<http://ssp.unl.edu/>) for more information on this series or other SSP support services. You may also direct questions to Mindy Anderson-Knott at 402-472-7218 or mandersonknott2@unl.edu.