

The Office of the Vice President for Research and Economic Development will host a series of grant development workshops for faculty. A schedule is attached. A few of the workshops have yet to be scheduled and some rooms have not been finalized -- we will update this regularly as things firm up.

There will be several workshops aimed at "**Getting to Know the Funding Agencies**", the purpose of which is to help faculty learn about the culture of the different funding agencies. Our own faculty will serve as panelists and will talk about their experiences: what worked, what did not; what reviewers expect; and what faculty could do to enhance their chances of success. The format is informal -- we will have one of the panelists present some background information on the funding agency and then the rest of the time will be devoted to a more informal Q&A session. Please come with any questions that you may have -- the collective experience of the panelists is broad enough to address a variety of questions and we hope to have a very productive and informative conversation.

The first workshop in this series is aimed at introducing faculty to the **basics of grant submission** -- it will be hosted by OSPA staff and will provide an overview on some broad policies and procedures regarding developing budgets, submitting grants electronically, award process, etc. We will also have a couple of workshops that will focus on how faculty can submit grants to, and work with, **industry sponsors and Foundations**.

Please help us publicize these events by sharing these announcements broadly with your faculty. Although these workshops have been developed with faculty in mind, staff and senior graduate students are welcome as well.

We always welcome your comments and feedback; any input on how we can improve these programs and/or do things better will be greatly appreciated.

With regards,
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