

OSPA Updates

February 2009

NIH Changes Resubmission Policy

Starting January 25, 2009 NIH will accept only a single amendment to the original application, this is a change from the two amendments NIH previously allowed. Failure to receive funding after two submissions (the original and single amendment) will mean the applicant should substantially redesign the project. For more information see the NIH Policy notice <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-09-003.html> or contact OSPA at 4-5225 / ospa-proposals@iastate.edu.

Grants.gov Update

Grants.gov did a system update February 7-8; the main reason was to increase the number of users allowed on the system at one time to 2000 so that the system would be faster. While this was successful, there are some new technical errors that have occurred because of the upgrade that grants.gov is working on fixing. However, this means that the system still is not functioning properly and we need to proceed with this information. If you know you are submitting a grants.gov application please allow at least 24 hours for submission.

Because of the issues with grants.gov, NIH has extended the error-correction window for all electronic applications with deadlines through the end of February from 2 business days to 5 business days (for more information see <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-09-045.html>).

NIH Salary Cap

The new NIH Salary Cap is \$196,700.

Community of Science Funding Opportunities Training

<http://www.cos.com/news/workshops/>

For the first time ever, COS is hosting 3 COS Funding Opportunities training session to faculty and other end users.

Wednesday March 4

Tuesday March 17

Monday March 30

All sessions are at 1:00 pm (Central Time). To enroll go to www.cos.com/news/workshops. All participants receive a \$5 Starbucks gift card and are eligible for a grand prize drawing for a \$300 Amazon gift card.

Reminder:

- ~ OSPA requests 4 business days to review proposals
- ~ Please let us know if you know there are contract terms in the RFP

Goldsheet Attachments

The titles of the attachments are truncated after 45 characters and spaces, please remember this when attaching revised documents (for example, put "revised" at the beginning of the title).

UPCOMING

- 2/24 SPECS Starts
 - 5/21 Grant Coordinator Meeting
Gallery, Memorial Union
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