Sponsored Programs
New Developments and Important Reminders

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Session Overview

- NSF Update
- Department of Commerce eRA Commons
- NIH Update
- OSP Updates and Reminders
- Q & A
NSF Update

Proposal and Award Policies and Procedure Guide

- NSF 24-1
- Effective for proposals submitted or due on or after 5/20/2024.
- Slides and video from NSF PAPPG Webinar on 3/12/2024: https://nsfpolicyoutreach.com/resources/nsf-proposal-award-policy-updates/
PAPPG 24-1 Major Updates

➢ 5:00PM deadline time is central standard time for LSU and not where PI is located.

➢ Malign Foreign Talent Recruitment Programs (MFTRP)
   ▪ Individuals who are a party to an MFTRP cannot serve as senior/key personnel
   ▪ New certification on Biosketch and Current & Pending support
   ▪ New award term and condition
   ▪ Higher Educational Institutions will now report annually any gift or contract with a value of $50k or more from countries of concern.

PAPPG 24-1 Major Updates

➢ Use of Common Forms for Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support
   ▪ No page limit on Biosketch
   ▪ New certifications in ScieNCv for MFTRP
   ▪ Should be available in ScieNCv one month before 5/20/2024

➢ Separate upload for Synergistic Activities
   ▪ No longer part of Biosketch
   ▪ Limited to one page.
PAPPG 24-1 Major Updates

- NSF Policy Office Webinar Series, Implementing the Common Forms for the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending (Other) Support.
  - April 25, 2024 at 1pm
  - Session will cover implementation of Common Forms
  - NIH/National Library of Medicine with demo the revised capability to create and download the forms in SciENcv.

- https://nsfpolicyoutreach.com/24-webinar-series/

PAPPG 24-1 Major Updates

- Mentoring Plan - required proposal attachment when postdocs and graduate students are budgeted
  - One page plan to address both
  - New term and condition - If postdoc or graduate student are added postaward and no mentoring plan was submitted, the PI must provide one to the NSF Program Officer.

- Individual development plan required for postdocs and graduate students
  - With more than 1 month of effort during budget period
  - Plan must be updated annually.
  - PI certifies to plan as part of annual progress report.
  - New term and condition will be added.
  - See Proposal Toolkit for resources
PAPPG 24-1 Major Updates

- Potential Impacts on Tribal Nations - Proposals that may impact the resources or interests of a federally recognized America Indian or Alaska Native Tribal nation will require the following:
  - New check box on Cover Sheet
  - Must include at least one at the time of proposal submission
    - A copy of the written request to the Tribal Nation for the activities that require review and approval;
    - A written confirmation from the Tribal Nation(s) that review and approval is not required; or
    - A document providing the requisite approval.
  - Approval will be required prior to issuance of award.

- Safe and Inclusive Working environment plan
  - When off-site or off-campus research is proposed, the PI must develop a Safe and Inclusive Work Environment Plan at the proposal stage.
  - Not included in the proposal unless required by the Funding Opportunity
  - Templates on OSP Proposal Toolkit
  - New term and condition - If off-site/off-campus research is added postaward and no plan was prepared at the proposal stage, the PI must develop one postaward.
Department of Commerce
→ eRA Commons

- In October 2023, Department of Commerce agencies transitioned from Grants Online to GEMS (using eRA Commons)
- This mainly impacts NOAA proposals and awards
- Applicant and Grantee Training available at: https://www.commerce.gov/ocio/programs/gems/applicant-and-grantee-training
GEMS = eRA Commons

- Principal Investigators must have an eRA Commons account
  - Request on OSP website.
  - PI eRA Commons Credential must be entered in #4a of SF424 or SF424 R&R and in credential field of Personnel tab (if applicable).

- Submission of Progress and Technical Reports due August 31, 2023 to March 31, 2024 received extension to April 30, 2024.

- Annual Progress Reports require OSP to submit, so they must be routed in GeauxGrants as Continuation-Noncompeting

National Institutes of Health (NIH) Updates
NIH Updates = effective January 25, 2025

- Simplified Review Framework for Research Project Grant Applications (NOT-OD-24-085 and NOT-OD-24-010)
  - Webinar on April 17th
- NIH Forms-I application packages will be effective for due dates on or after January 25, 2025 (NOT-OD-24-086)
- Adopting Common Forms for Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support
  - Targeting May 2025

OSP Updates and Reminders
New OSP Website

➢ On April 15th, OSP is moving our website to the new Fierce Template. There may be some downtime

OSP Reminders

➢ No-cost extension and revised budget request for Board of Regents Support Fund contracts ending 06/30/2024 must be routed in GeauxGrants by April 16th
  ▪ Due to BOR on April 30th

➢ Graduate Assistant Health Insurance in proposals
GeauxGrants

- OSP will be rolling out new predefined reports that include prompts.
- Pop-Up Blockers will need to be configured to allow pop-ups from https://era.lsu.edu
- Seven (7) business day routing deadline
  - S2S must be ready for submission 24 hours in advance

Questions

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