Monthly Highlights

R2 Celebration

All Principal Investigators and Co-Principal Investigators who have secured external funding during the past five years are invited to join the Office of the Provost and the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs in the **White Ballroom on April 18th, 2022, from 1PM-3PM**. This event represents a celebration of the hard work and dedication that went into Sam Houston State University becoming a Doctoral University of High Research Activity (R2 Status) by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. University President, Dr. Alisa White, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Michael T. Stephenson, as well as Associate Provost and Chief Research Officer, Dr. Chad Hargrave will speak at the event. The event will also include live music, refreshments, and each invited Principal Investigator and Co-Principal Investigator will receive a commemorative coin from the Office of the Provost in recognition of their contributions to the Sam Houston State University research enterprise.

**National Science Foundation Faculty Early Career Development Program Working Group**

Are you interested in submitting to the National Science Foundation's Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER)? The Office of Research & Sponsored Programs' Research & Proposal Development team is pleased to announce the launch of the NSF CAREER Grant Working Group. This working group will provide interested faculty members with a support team consisting of fellow faculty members writing for the program. Interested faculty must register through this form by **5:00PM on 27 May 2022**. For more information contact Jonathan Thomas, Research & Proposal Development Coordinator.
The Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) is an international organization focused on providing high-quality and collaborative undergraduate research, scholarly, and creative opportunities for faculty and students. As Sam Houston State University employees, you have access to a variety of mentorship tools provided through our institutional membership plan. **Activate your Institutional Enhanced Membership Benefits** and start making an impact today.

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### Recognizing Success

#### Internal Grant Awardees

Congratulations to all the awardees from the Internal Grant Programs!

**New Faculty Program**

Emily Heilman, Daniella Cash, Amy Ray, Amar Rasheed, Eszter Simor, Katie Jean Shinkle, Kathleen Ratajczak, Rosti Vana, Stuti Kokkalera, and Caroline Waldbuesser.

**Individual Scholarship Program**

Mario Aschauer, David Drukker, Ebrahim Karan, Santosh Kumar, Wojciech Lorenc, Falguni Mukherjee, Javier Pinell, James Stykes, and Edna Velasquez.

**Interdisciplinary Collaboration Program**

Jay Tyler Davidson, Sherman Finch, Macie Kerbs, and Donggil Song.

#### Pilot Studies for Future Funding Program

Montse Feu, ABM Islam, Varol Cihan, James Harper, and Jared Ruchensky.

#### Faculty and Student Teams Program


The Office of Research Administration will begin opening Internal Grant Program accounts for spending in May 2022. Getting all awardees processed is a lengthy process and the Office of Research Administration appreciates your patience.

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### News & Updates

#### Participants Wanted for Upcoming Exposition

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs is seeking submissions for various types of events, performances, demonstrations, workshops, and other programming to include in the exposition which will be held 28-30 September 2022. Faculty, staff, and students from all disciplines are highly encouraged to submit their ideas. If you are unsure about your idea, please reach out to our [Research & Proposal Development Team](mailto:research@samhsu.edu) for more information.
Each submission should include:
- The title of the activity or event
- A short abstract of what the event will be
- A list of all participants who will act as guides, instructors, performers, etc.

To submit your idea, please fill out the [submission form](#) or send an email to the [Grant Proposal Development Team](#).

### Facilities and Equipment Databases at Sam Houston State University

We are in the process of collecting and databasing information describing all facilities and equipment located on campus and available for use by Sam Houston State University faculty, staff, and students. To [add a facility](#) or [add a piece of equipment](#) to the database, please fill out the corresponding form. For further assistance, contact [Jonathan Thomas, Research & Proposal Development Coordinator](mailto:jonathan.thomas@shsu.edu).

You can browse the current [Facilities Database](#) and [Equipment Database](#) to see what resources our campus has to assist you with your project needs.

### Internal Grant Opportunities at Sam Houston State University

We are collecting information on all internal funding opportunities and grants offered by the colleges, departments, offices, and divisions of Sam Houston State University, including Academic Affairs. Our goal is to create a centralized resource for faculty, staff, and students to access that will improve ease of use and visibility of the opportunities on campus. For further information, or to add an opportunity to the list please contact [Jonathan Thomas, Research & Proposal Development Coordinator](mailto:jonathan.thomas@shsu.edu).

### Meet the Laboratories of TRIES

The Texas Research Institute for Environmental Studies is one of the gems of the Office of Research & Sponsored Programs. The TRIES is comprised of multiple smaller laboratories, each with their own unique set of services, research capabilities, and outreach events. Want to learn more about the different laboratories and what they have to offer? Check out the [TRIES Laboratory Interviews](#) video series on our YouTube Channel!

### Open Call for Project Highlights

Have an awesome space the SHSU community should know about? Got a tip on a funded project or study that deserves a highlight? Have an idea for something grand but need collaborators to pull it off? [Contact our Research & Proposal Development Team](mailto:research_proposal_development@shsu.edu) to see if we can help you network.
The Numbers - FY2022

**Submissions**

Proposals Submitted - 94
Grant Dollars Requested - $46,673,984

**Awards**

Awards Received - 48
Grant Dollars Awarded - $18,502,282

*FY2021 Numbers: Proposal Submitted - 99 | Grant Dollars Requested - $23,832,107 | Awards Received - 47 | Grant Dollars Received - $16,162,923

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**Funding Opportunities**

Check out these curated funding opportunities on PIVOT.

[Opportunities for your Undergraduates and You]

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How many US Academic Institutions were promoted to Doctoral University of High Research Activity (R2 Status) by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education in 2021?

**Bonus Question**
What year was the Carnegie Classification established?

March Solutions

**Trivia Answer:**
What are the odds of finding a four-leaf clover?

1 in 10,000.