Monthly Highlights

**Internal Grant Programs**

The **ORSP Internal Grant Programs** are now live. Proposals are due November 1st. This year there will be five internal grant programs:

- **Individual Scholarship Program**
- **New Faculty Program**
- **Interdisciplinary Collaboration Program**
- **Pilot Studies for Future Funding Program**
- **Faculty and Student Teams Program (FAST)**

**Five-Year Impact Report**

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs has released its Five-Year Impact Report covering research and creative activities from 2016 to 2020. The Impact Report and Today@Sam article can be viewed [here](#).

**Homecoming Networking Mixer**

Come mix it up with the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs on **October 22, 2021 from 3:00PM to 5:00PM**! Join us for an afternoon of fun at **Old Main Pit**, yard games and an 1980s-themed costume contest! You don't want to miss this! More information below.

**News & Updates**

**Recruiting for the STEAM Team at the ORSP**
The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs and the Center for Enhancing Undergraduate Research Experiences and Creative Activities (EURECA) are looking to build an undergraduate led team of students from across STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and humanities, and math) disciplines to support their mission of increasing student engagement in research, scholarly, and creative activities. Please direct any interested undergraduate students to the job posting.

**ORSP at Conroe Campus**
Going forward the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs will be maintaining our presence at the SHSU Conroe Campus (College of Osteopathic Medicine) bi-monthly. Those with questions or requests are welcome to reach out to schedule a meeting with a member of Research and Proposal Development and other divisions.

**EURECA and ORSP at the Homecoming Game**

The Center for Enhancing Undergraduate Research Experience and Creative Activities will be tailgating at the Homecoming game on October 23rd, 2021. We hope to see you and your students there!

**Updates from the Compliance Division.**

- Be sure your CITI training certification is up to date or it may cause a delay for your project(s).
- Submit IACUC Oversight protocols through Cayuse Animal Oversight.
- Learn more about the Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) process here.
- Learn more about the Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) oversight process here.

**NSF PAPPG**
The National Science Foundation's PAPPG updates go into effect on October 31. Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the new document.

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**The Numbers - FY2022**

**Submissions**
- Grants Submitted - 8
- Grant Dollars Requested - $4,141,810

**Awards**
- Awards Received - 6
- Grant Dollars Awarded - $508,927

**Upcoming Events**
Recognizing Success

**New Faculty Highlight Weeks**
Throughout the month of October, the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs will be featuring short interviews with our newest faculty across all our social media channels. Tune in to learn more about your new colleagues, their research, and their goals at Sam Houston State University.

If you are a new member of our faculty and want to participate in the New Faculty Highlight Weeks, please contact our Communications Specialist to schedule your interview.

**Strengthening Academic Success**
Dr. Brian Loft and Dr. Mary Catherine Breen have been awarded a $2.1 million dollar grant by the US Department of Education to support the Academic Success Center in the Newton Gresham Library. The Strengthening Institutional Programs award will be used to bolster and expand the academic support services offered by the center. Learn more about the Strengthening Institutional Programs [here](#) and the Academic Success Center [here](#).

**Population Health Professor wins NIH Funding**

Dr. Khalid Khan of the Department of Population Health in the College of Health Sciences was recently awarded an R01 grant from the National Institutes of Health for his project "Building Capacity to Study Mixed Metal-Induced Neurotoxicity in Rural Bangladeshi Children." Dr. Khan's project was granted over $2 million for a five-year research project. Congratulations Dr. Khan on such a significant achievement! Read more about Dr. Khan's award [here](#).

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**Funding Opportunities**

Check out these curated funding lists on PIVOT.

- Brain Research
- Cancer Research

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HOME COMING
NETWORKING MIXER

FRIDAY
OCTOBER 22ND, 2021
FROM
3:00PM TO 5:00PM
AT
OLD MAIN PIT

Drinks, refreshments, games, and contests!

Finish that Thought
Help the impulses reach the frontal lobe, so this brain can perform some higher functions!

Logic Puzzle

Four Bearkats are running late and decide to take a golf cart from the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs to the Homecoming Networking Mixer at Old Main Pit, but they got stuck with the cart whose battery only lasts 15 minutes. Dr. Who can make the drive in one minute, Marty McFly in two minutes, Indiana Jones in five minutes, and Ferris Bueller in eight minutes. No more than two people can ride in the cart at a time; and when they go, they have to drive at the slower person's pace. How do they all get to the Homecoming Networking Mixer in 15 minutes before the battery dies?

September Solutions

Riddle Answer: Keyboard

September Quote Decoded:
“Cyber security is a shared responsibility, and it boils down to this: in cyber security, the more systems we secure, the more secure we all are.”
- Jeh Johnson