



Travel Grants for Emerging Faculty

Under the National Science Foundation's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) Research Infrastructure Improvement (RII) award to Louisiana, the Board of Regents sponsors travel grants for emerging science and engineering (S&E) faculty members to meet with funding agency program officers or to give major invited talks. Faculty members who hold a regular tenure-track but untenured S&E position in any Louisiana public institution of higher education, or in any Louisiana higher education institution that is a member of the Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (LAICU), are eligible for an award.



Each TGEF application must include: 1) travel justification, 2) a letter of support from the applicant's chairperson and/or dean, 3) curriculum vita, and 4) a list of names and addresses of the campus head, chief administrative/research officer, dean of the college, and the department chair. Travel advances will not be made; awarded funds will be disbursed only *after* the traveler submits documents, e.g. an official program agenda with the awardee's presentation listed, which demonstrates that the objective of the proposed travel was achieved. Expenses in excess of the award amount and/or expenses that are not in accordance with State travel regulations, even if less than the allotted limit, are the responsibility of the traveler.

For more information on this opportunity, you can go to the Board of Regents web site – www.laregents.org - or call Sponsored Research at 985-549-5312.

IP Tidbits - Intellectual Property in Proposals



Intellectual Property is more than just patents and copyrights. Proper IP management begins with the researcher's inception of an idea. For example, a grant proposal is commonly considered confidential when submitted for review, but its contents are often publicly disclosed after the award when the agency adds the abstract to publicly accessible databases. Months or years later when experimental results verify the concept, the researcher is surprised that patenting is no longer an option because the technology is now part of the public domain.

Proposal writers should realize that their initial idea can grow into a valuable asset. To protect your novel idea while it incubates, read carefully the funding agencies instructions on proposal preparation. Funding agencies commonly request that proprietary information be marked confidential, but be proactive since critical text has been inadvertently disclosed numerous times in the past. Consider omitting critical "enabling" information if it does not strengthen your proposal. Another option is to place the information in an appendix and specifically request that the material be redacted before disclosure, then notify OSRP of your concerns.

Next month: Disclosing your *novel and useful* research results.

Direct your Intellectual Property questions to Dennis Herringshaw, Southeastern's new Intellectual Property Officer and Industrial Liaison, Meade Hall 103B, ext.3298 dherringshaw@selu.edu.

Awards (processed since October 1st)

- Dr. Gary Childers, Biological Sciences – “Wastewater Analyses–Winn Dixie Dairy,” Winn Dixie Dairy, \$12,200
- Dr. Janice Bossart, Biological Sciences – “Insect Assemblages of Rare Saline Prairies,” LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, \$59,060
- Ms. Veda Abene and Dr. Gerald Guidroz, Continuing Education – “Incumbent Worker Training Program – La Carreta,” \$39,913
- Mr. Todd Delaney and Ms. Mary Heleniak, KSLU – “Radio Community Service Grant,” Corporation for Public Broadcasting, \$80,043
- Dr. Mary Ballard, Counseling & Human Development – “Counseling Interns Program 2007-2008,” Tangipahoa Parish School Board, \$49,000
- Dr. Barbara Hebert and Ms. Amy Oberschmidt – “Tobacco Free Living College Initiative,” The Louisiana Campaign for Tobacco-Free Living/LA Public Health Institute, \$25,000
- Dr. Cynthia Elliott, Teaching & Learning – “Jumpstart Hammond 2007-2008,” Jumpstart for Young Children, Inc., \$76,353
- Dr. Pete Territo, CS/IT – “Carl Perkins Basic Grant 2007-2008,” Louisiana Community & Technical College System, \$45,079

Submissions (processed since October 1st)

- Dr. Debra Dolliver and Dr. Michael Doughty, Chemistry & Physics – “Advancing Mass Spectrometry for Research Training and Education at Southeastern Louisiana University,” LA Board of Regents
- Dr. Rebecca Muller and Dr. Timothy Hudson, Mathematics – “Enhancing Learning in Introductory Math Courses,” LA Board of Regents
- Dr. Thomas Sommerfeld and Dr. William Parkinson, Chemistry & Physics – “Computational Technology for Chemistry Comprehension,” La Board of Regents
- Dr. David Hanson, English; Dr. Timothy Hudson, Mathematics; Dr. Tom Higginbotham, CSIT – “Advance Computer Applications in Humanities Scholarship and the Teaching of Writing, Publishing, and Professional Writing,” LA Board of Regents
- Ms. Tiffany McFalls and Ms. Thais Perkins, Biological Sciences – “Expansion of Public Education Efforts by the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Research Program,” The Gulf Coast Fund for Community Renewal and Ecological Health-Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors
- Dr. Raj Pandian, Dr. Ho-Hoon Lee, and Dr. Theresa Beaubouef, CS/IT – “Design, Development, and Control of an Autonomous Digger for Ship Stevedoring Operations,” LA Board of Regents
- Dr. Stuart Stewart and Dr. David Deggs, Louisiana Campus Compact – “State Farm Youth Advisory Board,” State Farm Insurance
- Dr. Roldan Valverde, Biological Sciences – “Global Assessment of Arribada Olive Ridley Sea Turtles,” National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- Dr. Kim Finley-Stansbury, Visual Arts – “Picturing America/We the People: American Art History in the K-12 Classroom,” Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities
- Dr. Ruth Caillouet, English – “Searching for Our Mother’s Gardens: African American Women in Literature,” Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities
- Dr. Minh Huynh and Dr. Barbara Schuldt, Management – “Enhancing the Access and Availability of Think Tank Application with Additional Licenses,” LA Board of Regents
- Dr. Jason Hancock and Dr. Becky Parton, Educational Leadership & Technology – “Making Online Learning Handicap Accessible,” LA Board of Regents
- Dr. Jason Hancock and Dr. Becky Parton, Educational Leadership & Technology – “Classroom 2010 Project,” LA Board of Regents
- Dr. Becky Parton and Dr. Jason Hancock, Educational Leadership & Technology – “Campus Virtual Mobile Touring System,” AT&T Foundation
- Dr. Mary Ballard and Dr. Barbara Hebert, Counseling & Human Development – “Enhancing Play Therapy,” LA Board of Regents
- Dr. Ann Carruth, Nursing – “Project GLEAM: Graduate Learning Environment Accelerated Modules,” LA Board of Regents
- Mr. Bill Joubert, SBDC – “LRA Business Consulting,” Louisiana Small Business Development Center
- Dr. Camille Yates and Dr. Colleen Klein-Ezell, Teaching & Learning – “Project C.U.D.L.E. (Creating Universally Designed Learning Environments),” LA Board of Regents