

## Office of Sponsored Programs Bulletin May 2010

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### 1. **A Reminder About Proposal Routing During the Summer Months**

As always, it is important to let your Sponsored Programs Manager know that you are working on a proposal. Plan to submit your proposal to the SJSU Research Foundation for processing well ahead of the sponsor submittal deadline. It is especially important in the summer months as some of the proposal signers may change or reduce their hours on campus. Please keep in mind that routing a proposal for review and signature may take longer during the summer than during the regular school year.

### 2. **SJSURF Early Career Investigator Awards for 2010**

Dr. Craig Clements from the College of Science, and Dr. Amy D'Andrade from the College of Applied Sciences and Arts have both been chosen to receive the San José State University Research Foundation Early Career Investigator Award for 2010. This award recognizes tenure-track SJSU faculty who have excelled in areas of research, scholarship, or creative activity as evidenced by their success in securing funds for their research, peer-reviewed publications and other scholarly activities early in their career at SJSU.

Dr. Clements is in his 3<sup>rd</sup> year at SJSU within the Department of Meteorology and Climate Science, and has already been tremendously successful and productive in his field of fire weather research. His most recent award is the prestigious and competitive NSF Major Research Instrumentation (MRI) grant. Dr. D'Andrade joined the faculty in the School of Social Work in 2005 and has been very successful in obtaining external funding for her research work. Dr. D'Andrade has made significant contributions to the development of knowledge in her field. Although her focus is on applied research, her work has implications for the child welfare field as a whole as evidenced by her strong publication record. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Clements and Dr. D'Andrade – “two outstanding members of the San José State University faculty.” Announcement: <http://www.sjsufoundation.org/> (Look under News and Events)

### 3. **OMB Adopts Universal Reporting Form; Implementation Dates Uncertain**

The federal government has adopted a universal Research Performance Progress Report format that was published in draft form in the Nov. 9, 2007, *Federal Register*, according to a memorandum from the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of Science and Technology Policy. The final format was published in the Jan. 13, 2010, *Federal Register*. The form "is intended to replace other interim performance reporting formats currently in use by agencies" but does not change the performance reporting requirements specified in 2 CFR Part 215 (OMB Circular A-110) and the grants management Common Rule implementing OMB Circular A-102. According to the memorandum, each federal agency will post a policy or implementation plan on the National Science Foundation or Research Business Models Subcommittee website within nine months after issuance of this policy. Implementation plans will detail whether the agency will use a paper or electronic filing format and "anticipated implementation date."

Link: [www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2010/04/23/white-house-streamlines-progress-report-system](http://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2010/04/23/white-house-streamlines-progress-report-system)

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#### 4. Applications to NSF Soon Will Have to Include Data Sharing Plans

Beginning in October, all proposals for funding from the National Science Foundation must include a two-page "supplementary document" describing how research data will be shared, according to an announcement by NSF at the recent meeting of the National Science Board, NSF's governing body. "This is the first step in what will be a more comprehensive approach to data policy," said Cora Marrett, NSF acting deputy director. "It will address the need for data from publicly funded research to be made public." Additional guidance from NSF, expected before October, will include the agency's expectations for the data management plans. This requirement is a departure from NSF's long-standing policy "requiring grantees to share their data within a reasonable length of time, so long as the cost is modest," NSF said. The change is also in keeping with "the growing interest from U.S. policymakers in making sure that any data obtained with federal funds be accessible to the general public" and the Obama administration's efforts to make government "more transparent and more participatory," the agency said.

Link: [www.nsf.gov/news/news\\_summ.jsp?cntn\\_id=116928&org=NSF&from=news](http://www.nsf.gov/news/news_summ.jsp?cntn_id=116928&org=NSF&from=news)

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#### 5. National Institute of Health (NIH) Public Access Policy

The [NIH Public Access Policy](#) ensures that the public has access to the published results of NIH funded research. It requires scientists to submit final peer-reviewed journal manuscripts that arise from NIH funds to the digital archive [PubMed Central](#) upon acceptance for publication. To help advance science and improve human health, the Policy requires that these papers are accessible to the public on PubMed Central no later than 12 months after publication. Also, anyone submitting an application, proposal or report to the NIH must include the PMC reference number (PMCID) when citing [applicable papers](#) that they author or that arise from their NIH-funded research. The PMCID is found by looking up the article in the NIH public access database.

Links: <http://publicaccess.nih.gov/>  
[http://publicaccess.nih.gov/citation\\_methods.htm](http://publicaccess.nih.gov/citation_methods.htm)

#### 6. Presidential Science Advisor Inaugurates Blog With University-related Research Question

The Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) has posted the first in a [blog series](#) titled "Ask the President's Science Advisor." In the name of public engagement, OSTP director John Holdren will answer brief questions submitted by e-mail or tweeted to "whitehouseostp" with the tag "#AskDrH."

The series began with this post: "The university structure is killing science. Ego and bureaucracy override diverse, original ideas. What can be done?" Holdren replies that the president's innovation strategy and its emphasis on multidisciplinary research, early investigators, and high-risk, high-return research are resulting in agency efforts to change the way they do business. Universities, he says, are making changes of their own, "taking some important steps by allocating new faculty positions and lab space to support multidisciplinary research themes."

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## 7. SJSURF Online Search Tool: COS Funding Opportunities Database

SJSURF has online funding search tools available to SJSU faculty. This month's highlight: COS Funding Opportunities database (<http://www.sjsufoundation.org/html/sjsuf-faculty-resources/locating.htm>).

COS Funding Opportunities includes funding opportunities in physical sciences, social sciences, life sciences, health and medicine, and humanities and arts.

Though direct funding is the "cream of the crop" according to Jeff Hagan, Managing Editor at COS, he said there are lots of funding opportunities from "smaller, lesser known" funders, such as private foundations, professional societies, and other non-profits. He cited one such funder in a recent webinar: The Gustavus and Louise Pfeiffer Research Foundation. According to their website (<http://foundationcenter.org/grantmaker/pfeiffer/>) this funder supports "graduate medical and pharmacy school programs and projects, research in physical disabilities, nutrition, hearing and vision, and post-graduate scholarship programs administered by the institution." Though a smaller funder, Mr. Hagan felt this Foundation also provided very useful funding.

SJSU faculty can access COS Funding Opportunities directly from on-campus: (<http://www.sjsufoundation.org/html/sjsuf-faculty-resources/locating.htm>). If off campus, faculty can click on [www.cos.com](http://www.cos.com), set up a brief profile and begin searching. For assistance, please contact Nancy Riley ([nriley@foundation.sjsu.edu](mailto:nriley@foundation.sjsu.edu)) or Kristin Nwakobi ([knwakobi@foundation.sjsu.edu](mailto:knwakobi@foundation.sjsu.edu)).

## 8. Faculty Publications

Dr. Nishanta Rajakaruna, Biological Sciences, book, *Soil and Biota of Serpentine: A World View. Proceedings of the Sixth International Conference on Serpentine Ecology*, is now available on The Missouri Botanical Garden website (<http://www.mbgpress.info/index.php?task=id&id=10041>).

## 9. Fellowships

SJSURF receives notification of fellowship/scholarship opportunities for faculty and students. This month's highlights include:

Program: NIJ FY 10 Visiting Fellowship Program  
Agency: U.S. Department of Justice (DoJ)  
Next Deadline: June 21, 2010  
<http://ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl000888.pdf>

Program: Student Scholarships  
Agency: American Academy of Underwater Sciences Program Number

Next Deadline: Jun 30, 2010

<http://www.aaus.org/mc/page.do?sitePagelD=64326&orgId=aaus>

Program: NASA Postdoctoral Fellows Program

Agency: National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Next Deadline: Jul 01, 2010

<http://nasa.orau.org/postdoc/>

Program: Individual Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards

Agency: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Deadline: Aug 08, 2010

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-09-229.html>

Program: Post-doctoral Fellowships

Agency: Christian de Duve Institute of Cellular Pathology

Next Deadline: Aug 15, 2010

<http://www.icp.ucl.ac.be/fellowship.html>

Program: Fellowship and Internship Programs

Agency: Smithsonian Institution

Next Deadline: Aug 15, 2010

<http://www.si.edu/ofg/fell.htm>

Program: Tropical Research Institute Fellowships

Agency: Smithsonian Institution

Next Deadline: Aug 15, 2010

[http://www.stri.org/english/education\\_fellowships/fellowships/stri\\_progr](http://www.stri.org/english/education_fellowships/fellowships/stri_progr)

Program: Human Frontier Science Program (Fellowships)

Agency: International Human Frontier Science Program Organization

Next Deadline: Aug 26, 2010

[http://www.hfsp.org/how/appl\\_form.php](http://www.hfsp.org/how/appl_form.php)

Program: Anthropology Internship Program

Agency: American Museum of Natural History

Next Deadline: Aug 27, 2010

<http://anthro.amnh.org/anthropology/collections/InternshipGuide.shtml>

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