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1. **SJSURF Early Career Investigator Award for 2008: Dr. Daryl Eggers**

Dr. Daryl Eggers, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, has received the SJSURF Early Career Investigator Award for 2008. 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. Eggers has made a major contribution to the research productivity of the SJSU Chemistry Department while serving as an ambassador for the University. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Eggers for his achievements.

2. **HHMI Awards SJSU \$1.3 M to Improve Undergraduate Biological Education**

On April 22, 2008, the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) announced the list of undergraduate institutions that will receive grants to improve undergraduate life sciences education. Among these, San Jose State University has been awarded \$1.3 million to revitalize the biology curriculum. Under the direction of Dr. Julio Soto, Dr. Cleber Ouverney, and Dr. Susan Lambrecht, grant funds will go toward making biology classes more inquiry-based, more hands-on, and more interdisciplinary. In addition, the grant will fund more research-directed labs for freshman and 12 undergraduate fellowships. For the full press release, please see <http://www.hhmi.org/news/college20080422.html>.

3. **NSF Broader Impacts Criterion**

On April 7, 2008, the National Science Foundation (NSF) released a letter reminding the scientific community that all proposals submittals must explicitly address both the intellectual merit and broader impacts criteria. According to the letter, "proposers should carefully consider ways to incorporate rigorous, meaningful and innovative broader impacts activities (e.g., broadening participation) that integrate with the research being proposed." Broader impacts should be included in the Project Summary, the Project Description, and the Results of Prior Support section. Please see the NSF letter at http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2008/nsf08044/nsf08044.pdf?govDel=USNSF_25. You may also view examples of broader impacts listed in American Chemical Society Broader Impacts Showcase at <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2005/nsf0540/nsf0540.jsp> and also in the NSF's Representative Activities at <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/gpg/broaderimpacts.pdf>.

4. Research.gov

Research.gov is a new initiative that provides access to grant management services for multiple federal agencies in one location. Led by the National Science Foundation (NSF), Research.gov offers the following publicly-available services:

- *Research Spending and Results Search*: Find where federal dollars are going.
- *Policy Library*: Find agency policies, guides, terms and conditions, and instructions that applicants and agencies need to conduct grants business.
- *Research Headlines*: View research news and articles from NSF and its partner agencies.

In addition, Research.gov plans to offer a Grants Application Status tool to allow Sponsored Programs Offices and Principal Investigators to find up-to-date status on grant application submittals. For more information please see <http://www.research.gov/rgov/anonymous.portal>.

5. U.S. Office of Special Education Programs 2008 Project Directors' Conference

The Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) of the U.S. Department of Education invites conference attendees to submit a proposal to present at the 2008 OSEP Project Directors' Conference. The conference will be held in Washington, DC on July 21-23, 2008. This year's conference will provide opportunities for conference attendees and their colleagues to explore issues regarding preparation, research, technical assistance, technology, and policy and their implications for improving results for children with disabilities. This combined conference will include keynote/plenary sessions, interactive workshops, and numerous large panel and small concurrent sessions, as well as a poster session, and networking opportunities. The submission deadline is May 16, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. ET. For more information, please see <http://www.osep-meeting.org/call.asp>.

6. CampusERC: The Environmental Resource Center for Higher Education

The National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO), in partnership with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and several higher education associations, recently launched an online environmental resource center: CampusERC. The website serves as a clearinghouse for environmental news and issues, best practices in environmental management, case studies, and resources to help campus officials understand what they have to do to comply with environmental regulations issued by the EPA. The site even has a State Resources link to state agencies where the user can download sector-specific resources. Please visit the site at: <http://www.campuserc.org>.

7. Fellowships

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

Program: Fellowships at Digital Humanities Centers
Agency: National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)
Next Deadline: September 15, 2008
<http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/fdhc.html>

Program: Visiting Scientists Fellowship
Agency: Joint Institute for Laboratory Astrophysics (JILA)
Next Deadline: July 31, 2008

<http://jilawww.colorado.edu/employ/vf.html>

Program: Earth Sciences Postdoctoral Fellowships (EAR-PF)

Agency: National Science Foundation

Next Deadline: July 28, 2008

http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=503144

Program: Fellowship Competition

Agency: American Institute of Indian Studies

Next Deadline: July 1, 2008

<http://www.indiastudies.org/fellow.htm>

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