

Administrative Research Council

ARC Notes

May 2009

Don't Miss the Next Office of Research Symposium



On Thursday, May 21, Tim Mulcahy, vice president for research at the University of Minnesota, will address Ohio State's research community regarding this academic year's theme of "Faculty as Entrepreneurs and Innovators." His talk is entitled, ***Universities, Entrepreneurs, and Economic Development: Lessons from Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.*** Dr.

Mulcahy also serves as the president of the University Industry Demonstration Partnership (UIDP) under the National Academies. Click [here](#) to register.



Tom Ewing Appointed as ARC Co-Chair

Vice president for research, Carol Whitacre, announced at the May ARC meeting the appointment of Tom Ewing, associate university controller, as co-chair of ARC to serve alongside Bob Killoren. Tom Ewing has played an important role as a member of ARC since its formation – bringing a business and finance perspective to the group since he currently serves as Associate Controller. Dr. Whitacre stated that Tom's appointment confirms ARC's commitment to engage the whole university in making improvements to Ohio State's research environment.

ARC was charged by President Gee at the group's first meeting to seek better, more efficient ways to support the Ohio State research enterprise. This enterprise is growing rapidly. Awards are up nearly 20% this year – and it is only mid-May and Ohio State researchers have already hit last year's totals. "To cope with this growing load," Bob Killoren said, "we all must work smarter to get the most out of the resources we have."



Bob went on to say, "The Ohio State research community needs to see research administration as a university-wide responsibility. To do this we need to demonstrate leadership on the ARC from both the academic side (Office of Research) and the business side (Office of the Controller). This signals a real commitment to Dr. Gee's vision of One University."

Tom Ewing added that "a stronger partnership would be helpful in a number of areas, particularly as OSURF operations become more integrated into the University."

Tom will also participate as a member of the ARC steering committee. ARC welcomes Tom in his new leadership role.

Center for Clinical & Translational Science Seminars and Lectures

CTSA Clinical & Translational
Science Awards

The Center for Clinical & Translational Science (CCTS) hosts a variety of seminars and lectures of interest to the research community at Ohio State. The next seminar of particular interest will be ***Rigorous Science and Full Community Participation in Research*** on May 28. Click [here](#) for more details about these and other CCTS lectures.

Ohio State Research Exhibit at COSI; Opening Festivities Set for May 16

College of Education and Human Ecology faculty and students will conduct research at COSI in the new state-of-the-art ***Labs in Life*** that opens to the public Saturday, May 16. View Ohio State life sciences studies in the first active, working research labs in a science museum. The public is invited to join President Gordon Gee, OSU cheerleaders, and Brutus Buckeye for opening festivities from noon-1 p.m. Saturday. Saturday is also the Komen Race for the Cure; visitors wearing pink will receive discounted admission. [Read more](#).

Center for Emergent Materials call for Seed Funding Program Proposals

The Center for Emergent Materials is calling for proposals to the Seed Funding Program which will provide funding for research that broadens the scope of the CEM by developing into areas of strategic interest to the materials community. The application deadline is Wednesday, July 1, with an anticipated start date on or about Tuesday, September 1. Click here to [download the RFP for the 2009 Strategic Interest Call for Proposals: Hybrid Materials](#). Contact: Ezekiel Johnston-Halperin (<mailto:ejh@mps.ohio-state.edu>, 247-4074) or Julia Meyer (<mailto:jmeyer@mps.ohio-state.edu>, 292-7995) with questions.



Ohio State Launches New Enterprise-Wide Electronic Travel System



By September 1, 2009, all university travel will be processed through a single electronic system, the eTravel System. Implementation will take place in phases with an initial rollout in Engineering, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Student Life, and Business and Finance which began on Monday, May 4th, 2009. Click [here](#) for more information.

Federal Stimulus Funding

Information about the many federal stimulus funding opportunities available to investigators as a result of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act is posted on the [Office of Research web site](#). This information is updated frequently, so please check back often.



Limited Submission and Funding Opportunities Update

A limited submission funding opportunity of particular interest, with an internal intent deadline of June 11 and a sponsor deadline of October 1, is the [Undergraduate Science Education Program from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute \(HHMI\)](#). Follow the directions under "Internal Candidate Requirements" to apply for the internal competition.

Information about additional limited and notable funding opportunities available to Ohio State researchers can be found using the search features at [Special Funding Opportunities](#). Also, browse the [current limited submissions report](#) to see the status of programs with open sponsor due dates.

New from ORTEC



Video of The NSF Early Career Award - Outreach Workshop is now [available online](#). This workshop is designed to help applicants develop the education/outreach portion of proposals for National Science Foundation Early Career Awards. Learn about a variety of outreach programs that promote collaboration with applicants for the Career award, which is available to untenured, tenure-track faculty. Click here for additional information and assistance.

National Council of University Research Administrators (NCURA) TV Broadcasts Available by Request

The Office of Research Training, Education, and Communication maintains a library of DVDs of previously broadcast programs. Please call or e-mail us (688-3860, ortec@osu.edu) to request any of the programs listed below:

- Effort Reporting (3-6-2007)
- Conflict of Interest (6-12-2007)
- Sub-Awards (9-11-2007)
- Effective Proposal Development (3-11-2008)
- Complex Agreements (6-10-2008)
- Good Customer Service for Research Administrators: How to Support the Research Endeavor at Your Institution (9-9-2008)

The “Must Read” of the Month

Increasingly Complex Funding Realities: Coaching the Next Generation of Researchers to Succeed

"The difficulty that most working academic researchers face in obtaining adequate research funding cannot be overestimated." Daniel Calto and Josine Stallinga write in the April/May issue of NCURA Magazine about how competition for research dollars and the shifts toward electronic grants submission and interdisciplinary research pose new challenges for researchers, particularly junior faculty. [Read article.](#)



ARC Spring Quarter 2009 Meeting - OSU Grants Update

The newly formed ARC Steering Committee decided to open up the spring quarter meeting to all Ohio State campus research administrators. Feedback on the meeting was very positive. Participants found Dr. Whitacre's Updates, the eTravel presentation, and the "Watch Out" activity to be especially beneficial. Click [here](#) to view the PowerPoint presentations and for more information.

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