How to Write Proposals and Win Research Funding: Strategies for Starting your Career as a Researcher

Graduate Student Seminar

Thursday, November 17, 2005, 1-5 PM, 601 Rudder Texas A&M University

Registration Email: OPD@tamu.edu (with your name & breakout session you are interested in)

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The Office of Proposal Development at Texas A&M University and the Office of Graduate Studies is sponsoring a Graduate Student Seminar aimed at graduate students, post-docs and others preparing to enter research-related careers that will require them to write proposals to compete for research funding.

The workshop will include:

a. Overview on identifying external funding; analyzing the funding agency; reading the proposal solicitation; and understanding the review process (45 minutes);

b. Attendees may then select from five breakout sessions (listed below) focused on particular funding agencies or research areas (45 minutes);

c. A 2-hour discussion for everyone, "Craft of Proposal Writing," which will address in detail how to write and submit a competitive research proposal to a funding agency.

Attendees may attend any or all of the parts of the seminar, depending on needs and interest.

1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.
Overview of Strategies for Finding and Competing for Funding Opportunities

2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.
Five simultaneous breakout sessions focused on specific funding agencies and topics

NSF & Defense Agencies

National Institutes of Health

Earth and Environmental Sciences

Social & Behavioral Science and Education

Funding Opportunities in the Humanities

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Craft of Proposal Writing