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Colonial Academic Alliance Program Announcement

Drexel is one of ten member institutions of the **Colonial Academic Alliance**. We are sharing a grant funding opportunity through the Alliance that may be of interest. The Colonial Academic Alliance launched the Innovate/Collaborate (IN/CO) Grant program in

2017, supporting multi-institutional initiatives across a diverse range of [member institutions](#).

In the first round of IN/CO, the Alliance Provosts' Council awarded \$156,500 in grants to support four major projects. IN/CO grantees have been quite successful so far, attracting an additional \$282,500 in external foundation funding in the first 18 months of the program. Building on this success, the Alliance has allocated up to \$160,000 to support a second round of IN/CO, awarding grants of \$10,000 to \$40,000 per team, payable over a two-year grant term. Priority funding areas for the second round include (1) innovative teaching and learning; (2) high-impact practices; (3) civic engagement; (4) entrepreneurship education; (5) student-athlete initiatives; and (6) student wellness and mental health.

[IN/CO Short Form Applications](#) **are due on October 1, 2019, by 5 PM** and can be submitted via [email](#) to Alliance Executive Director Lindsey Interlante. Details and application materials are available on the Alliance [website](#).

CURE 2020 Formula Grant Program

Applications for Drexel University interdisciplinary program initiatives involving clinical, health services, and/or biomedical research are sought for this RFP. These funds will be used to promote research projects that will lead to high-quality scholarship (i.e., publications), technology commercialization, submissions for extramural support and ultimately awards from the NIH, DOD, NSF, and other governmental agencies and foundations.

The application requires the collaboration of multiple investigators and must address a central theme or hypothesis rather than be a collection of studies. This year's program places a high priority on the value of collaboration across academic units (i.e., schools and colleges) within Drexel University. The maximum budget allowed for direct costs is \$75,000. The funding period for awarded grants is 6/1/2020 to 5/31/2021. Completed applications are due in the [Drexel University Funding Portal](#) no later than **5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 11, 2019**. Emailed applications will not be accepted.

If the project requires the use of human subjects, you **MUST** submit an IRB approval letter with your CURE grant application. IRB applications must be submitted for review by **August 28, 2019**. Visit the [Funding Portal](#) for more information.

News & Announcements

Guidelines on the Use of Indirect Cost Recovery Reimbursement

Facility & Administration (F&A) costs are indirect costs which are necessary to support research and other sponsored projects, but which cannot be readily assigned to individual projects. Examples include depreciation of research equipment and buildings, laboratory utilities (light, heat/cooling, power), hazardous chemical and biological agent management, libraries, internet, data transmission & storage, radiation safety, insurance, administrative services, and

compliance with federal, state, and local regulations, e.g., Institutional Review Boards (RBs) for human subject or animal research. In contrast to tuition, F&A cost recovery is not revenue, but repayment of costs already sustained.

F&A costs recovery occurs on a daily basis back to the dean's office on the unrestricted fund of the college or school assigned to the grant. Each college/school distributes the F&A cost recovery differently. For investigators who receive a portion of the recovered F&A, they are returned to funds that are categorized as "PI Overhead Share Funds" in the general ledger (i.e. Banner). Utilization of F&A cost recovery is restricted to uses that enhance the university's academic and research efforts. More specifically, their use is limited to "scholarly development of faculty/staff/ students, support of campus infrastructure, or expansion of research." F&A cost recovery may not be used for PI compensation. More information can be found on the [Comptroller's website](#). Have questions? Email grs23@drexel.edu.

2019 STAR (Students Tackling Advanced Research) Scholars Summer Showcase

The Office of Research and the Office of Undergraduate Research, a unit of the Pennoni Honors College, invites the Drexel community to join us for the [2019 STAR Scholars Summer Showcase](#) on Thursday, August 29, 2019, at the Bossone Research Center. This event serves to showcase the faculty-mentored research, scholarship, and creative work of the 175 rising sophomores participating in the STAR Scholars Program this summer. Please join us to celebrate their achievements. The poster sessions and Quick Pitch competition are open to the Drexel University community and the general public. For more information, please email the [Office of Undergraduate Research](#).

Researcher Indicted for Fraud in Failing to Disclose Conflict of Interest

On August 21st, a [Researcher at the University of Kansas \(KU\) was indicted on federal charges](#) for hiding the fact that he was working full time for an international university while doing research at KU funded by the U.S. government. The associate professor was charged with one count of wire fraud and three counts of program fraud. If charged, the associate professor faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a fine up to \$250,000 on the wire fraud count, and up to 10 years and a fine up to \$250,000 on each of the program fraud counts respectively. This news serves to remind the Drexel community of the critical importance of disclosing your outside interest. The University has an established process for reporting conflicts of interest and commitment. [Governed by policy# CPO-2 Conflict of Interest and Commitment](#), all faculty and staff are required to report their conflicts of interest annually. Additionally, it is equally important to disclose outside interest with foreign or domestic entities in compliance with sponsor requirements.

In pursuit of executing its mission, Drexel encourages faculty to foster relationships with fellow academics, government agencies, private organizations and industry partners that work to commercialize innovations and new technologies that will benefit society. Most conflicts of interest created by academic-industry relationships are real, consequential, but tolerable, so long as they are disclosed and can be managed to contain their risks while preserving their benefits. More information can be found in Drexel's [Conflict of Interest Policy](#).

Office of Research Staffing Update

The Office of Research is pleased to announce two new hires to the Human Research Protection Team and one promotion on the Pre-Award team. On July 8th, we welcomed [Duke Halsey](#) as an IRB Project Coordinator II. Duke, comes to us from Homebridge, a community health nonprofit based in San Francisco where Duke served as the Programs Operations Manager. Duke is currently completing a Bachelor's degree in Political Science at Rutgers University-Camden. On August 5th we welcomed [LaShaun Collins](#) as an IRB Project Coordinator II as well. Lashaun comes to us from the Community Action Agency of Delaware County, where she served as a direct service intern. Prior to that, she worked at the Public Defenders Office of Delaware County. LaShaun holds a BA in Psychology from Widener University and an MS in Consumer, Apparel, and Retail Studies from University of North Carolina at Greensboro. In addition to our new hires, we would like to congratulate [Stuart Politio](#) on his recent promotion to Assistant Manager for the Grants team. Stuart has been with the Office of Research for over two years and is a welcome addition to the Pre-Award leadership team. Please join us in congratulating and welcoming these members of our team!

ORCID ID Requirement Starts FY2020

ORCID iDs are unique, persistent digital identifiers that distinguish individual investigators and can be used to connect researchers with their contributions to science over time and across changes of name, location, and institutional affiliation. These free identifiers are assigned and maintained by the non-profit organization ORCID. In October 2019, the requirement for ORCID identifiers will be incorporated into the appointment process for trainees, scholars, and participants supported by NIH institutional research training, career development, and research education awards that require appointments through the xTrain system. At the time of appointment, the xTrain system will check whether appointees have ORCID iDs and appointments will not be accepted for agency review unless an ORCID iD is linked to the individual's eRA Commons Personal Profile.

Beginning with receipt dates on or after January 25, 2020, the requirement for ORCID identifiers will be enforced at the time of application for individual fellowship and career development awards. System validations will check whether applicants have ORCID iDs and applications will not be accepted unless an ORCID iD is linked to the PD/PI's eRA Commons Personal Profile. [Read more.](#)

NEH Announces \$29 Million for Humanities Projects Nationwide

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) announced \$29 million in awards for 215 humanities projects across the country including grant awards for humanities research, education programs, cultural preservation, films, exhibitions, and virtual reality projects augmented by \$48 million in funding for state humanities councils. This funding cycle includes grants for several longstanding NEH-supported scholarly editions projects that illuminate foundational texts and the lives of influential individuals. New grants will enable continued work on the papers of presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and Abraham Lincoln, as well as publication of the complete speeches, correspondence, and writings of Martin Luther King Jr. and Eleanor Roosevelt, and a new scholarly edition and translation of the Dead Sea Scrolls. Several others will provide for community-based public programs around significant milestones in national and regional U.S. history, such as grants for statewide reading and

discussion programs in Maine tied to the state's bicentennial in 2020, funding for a three-part documentary on the history and identity of Alaska by celebrated filmmaker Ric Burns, and support for the creation of a new permanent gallery at the **Please Touch Museum** to teach children about the 1876 Centennial Fair in Philadelphia. [Read more.](#)

Funding Opportunity Resources

Spotlighted External Funding Opportunities

[NSF Postdoctoral Research Fellowships in Biology \(PRFB\)](#)

[NSF Research Experiences for Teachers \(RET\) in Engineering and Computer Science](#)

[DOD CDMRP FY19 Reconstructive Transplant Research Program \(RTRP\)](#)

[DOD CDMRP FY19 Chronic Pain Management Research Program \(CPMRP\)](#)

[NIH NIDA Program Project Grant Applications \(P01 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)

[NIH Hazardous Materials Worker Health and Safety Training \(U45 Clinical Trials Not Allowed\)](#)

[Scleroderma Foundation Research Grant Program](#)

Extramural Funding

[University Libraries](#)

Internal Funding and Limited Submissions

[Drexel University Funding Portal](#)

Events & Education

In collaboration with various Drexel administrative units, the Office of Research offers a full series of in-person workshops every spring and fall, covering a wide range of research administration topics including eRA, pre-award, post-award, compliance, human research protection and sponsor-specific topics (NIH, NSF, etc.). Dates for our Fall 2019 Workshop Series will be published shortly. We will also create personalized presentations for faculty, support staff, students and anyone involved in the administration or conduct of research at Drexel. For more information about developing a session tailored to the needs and location of your group, please [contact us](#).

We Want To Hear From YOU!

[Let us know](#) what you like (or don't like) about our newsletter and which research administration topics you'd like to learn more about. All feedback is welcome.

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