

From: Office of Research <drexmail@DREXEL.EDU>

Date: Mar 28, 2019 2:59 PM

Subject: Office of Research Newsletter - March 2019

To: DREXEL-ANNOUNCE-FACSTAFF-ALL-L@LISTS.DREXEL.EDU

Cc:

VOLUME 5 · ISSUE 3

[Office of Research](#)

| [Find your PA](#)

| [Resources](#)

| [Contact](#)



DREXEL UNIVERSITY

Office of

Research

- 
- [New HRPP Director](#)
  - [Drexel Ventures Call for Proposals](#)
  - [CNHP: The Conversation Continues](#)
  - [RAS Portfolio Updates](#)
  - [SRAI Delaware Valley Meeting](#)
  - [CASTLE's DARE Project: ExCEL](#)
  - [Sexual Harassment in Science](#)
- 
- [Pre-Award Staffing Updates](#)
  - [ProQuest Pivot Link Update](#)
  - [Ethical Considerations Related to Biomedical Research](#)
  - [AAALAC Full Accreditation Continues](#)
  - [Funding Opportunities](#)
  - [Meet Our Staff](#)
-

## **New Director of Drexel's Human Research Protection Program**



We are pleased to announce that after an almost year-long search, Gabrielle Rebillard will become the new Director of the Human Research Protection Program (HRPP) in the Office of Research, effective March 18, 2019. Gabrielle joins us from Temple University, where she served their Human Research Protection Program, and boasts extensive experience in IRB support, human research training and outreach, and compliance procedures. Over the next few weeks and months, we will be reaching out to many of you to schedule preliminary meetings with Gabrielle to continue fostering a dynamic research community. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Gabrielle. She will be located on the 7th floor of Bellet with the rest of our Human Research Protection team.

[Read more.](#)

---

## **Drexel Ventures Innovation Fund: FY20 Call for Proposals**

[Drexel Ventures](#) is pleased to announce the call for proposals for funding in the 2020 fiscal year. The Drexel Ventures Innovation Fund provides internal funding for projects to enhance the commercial potential of promising Drexel technologies or services in all fields unrelated to healthcare. Building on existing results or demonstrations, competitive proposals will describe feasibility studies, basic prototyping, testing and/or demonstration to provide proof of technical feasibility, and/or other similar activities. Project outcomes may include (but are not limited to) software, materials, devices, systems, processes, and educational or training materials that will become, or are already protected by, intellectual property that can be commercialized. Timelines and details about the application process may be found in the [Funding for Innovators section](#) of the Drexel Ventures website. Each project funded by the Drexel Ventures Innovation Fund may receive a maximum of \$100,000. Letters of Intent are due via [email](#) to Dr. Robert McGrath by 5pm EDT on Monday, April 1, 2019. Please direct all questions to Dr. McGrath by email or by phone at 215.895.0303.

---

**News & Announcements**

---

## Reducing Challenges and Barriers in Implementation Science Research

Join the College of Nursing and Health Professions as they continue examining and sharing ideas to help each other clear away the struggles and barriers faced with the implementation of science research. Two dates are scheduled for *The Conversation Continues: Reducing Challenges and Barriers in Implementation Science Research*, both in-person on the Center City campus at Three Parkway, Room 1043 and via live webcast. The sessions will be held on [April 8](#) and [June 3](#) from 10 am to noon. Partnership team building discussions will be held from 11:30 am to noon on each day. Click on a date above to register.

---

## RAS Portfolio Updates

Effective immediately, Research Accounting Services (RAS) has reassigned its grant portfolio assignments to each manager and research accountant that is part of the Post-Award Operations team. The new assignments are organization/department based. The entire list of the new assignments by organization is available on our [website](#) along with a [downloadable file](#). The reassignment is due to the expansion of the Post-Award Operations team with four new positions that will allow us to better support the research community by more evenly distributing the grant portfolios. Please [contact](#) your assigned team member with any questions on administering your project during its life cycle.

---

## SRA International Delaware Valley Chapter Meeting

Join your colleagues at the Society of Research Administrators International [Delaware Valley Chapter](#) meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup> at the University of Pennsylvania's Houston Hall. This year's meeting will provide something for everyone, with concurrent sessions that include developing leadership skills, preparing for institutional audits, clinical trial registration and result reporting, award preparation for post award success, departmental administration, all designed to help develop your skills and knowledge in the profession of research administration, and much more. Register today!

---

## DARE to Grow: CASTLE'S Expansion of the ExCEL DARE Project

In 2016, the Center for the Advancement of STEM Teaching and Learning Excellence (CASTLE) was awarded funding through the Office of the Provost's DARE initiative to study experiential learning opportunities such as cooperative education, undergraduate research, and study abroad. The [Experiential Learning through the Cooperative Education Lifecycle](#) project brought people together from six colleges and three additional academic units at Drexel to engage in the systematic collection of data towards answering research questions about experiential learning. CASTLE has leveraged this work to attain additional funding from the Colonial Academic Alliance and The Arthur Vining Davis Foundations. [Read more](#).

---

## Update on NIH's Efforts to Address Sexual Harassment in Science

---

On February 28, the the National Institutes of Health (NIH) released a statement [outlining actions](#) they are taking to become part of the solution in addressing sexual harassment in science. The highlights include: demonstrating accountability and transparency; clarifying expectations for institutions and investigators to ensure a safe workplace and inform the agency; providing clear channels of communication to NIH; and listening to victims and survivors of sexual harassment and incorporating their perspectives into future actions

---

## Pre-Award Staffing Updates

The [pre-award grants team](#) in the Office of Research is pleased to announce the addition of three grant administrators and one promotion. Karen Rogers brings an extensive skill set from previous positions at a number of local universities. Jeri Nutter has a plethora of experience with various non-profit research and arts organizations. Katie Montalto, who just celebrated 9 years at Drexel and shares a wealth of institutional knowledge, is transitioning from the pre-award contracts team to the grants team. Gia Boersema, formerly the Assistant Manager on the grants team, has been promoted to Assistant Director of the grants team. Please join us in congratulating Gia and welcoming the new members of the grants team.

---

## Link Update: ProQuest Pivot

As announced in our February issue, the [ProQuest Pivot](#) tool for discovering and sharing research funding opportunities has replaced COS Funding Opportunities formerly licensed for Drexel use. The link to ProQuest Pivot has changed and is updated in this issue and also on the Drexel Libraries [website](#). For more information about Pivot, read the [Ex Libris Data Sheet](#) or contact your [liaison librarian](#).

---

## NIH Seeks to Fund Research on Ethical Considerations Related to Biomedical Research

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) recently announced a [Funding Opportunity Announcement](#) (FOA) for administrative supplements to support research on bioethical issues to inform future policy directions. Consideration of ethical issues associated with biomedical research is intrinsic to the responsible conduct of science and the translation of scientific and technological advances into practice. **Applications will be accepted until May 13, 2019**, and all organizations administering an eligible parent award may apply for a supplement under this announcement. Interested applicants may supplement parent awards focused on bioethics or add a component related to bioethics to a parent award in which bioethics was not the focus. Issues addressed are expected to fall within the scope of research and policy activities of the NIH but may be beyond the focus of any one Institute or Center. Complete Information, including how to apply can be found in [the FOA](#). For more background, see Dr. Carrie Wolinetz' recent *Under the Poliscope* blog: [Investing in Bioethics Research to Inform Science Policy](#). Questions about the FOA may be directed to the [agency contacts](#) included in the announcement.

---

## AAALAC Recommends Continued Full Accreditation

---

The Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care International (AAALAC) has recommended continued full accreditation of the Drexel University animal care and use program after a triennial site visit. The site visit was led by a Council Member Emeritus, a category of site visit limited to those institutions that have demonstrated a long-term commitment to achieving and maintaining high standards of laboratory animal care. Site visitors recognized the University's program as high quality, with a variety of commendations. "I am especially proud of the commendation for the high level of animal care", said ULAR Executive Director Richard Huneke, DVM, MPH. "My staff takes pride ensuring that animals are maintained with high regard for their welfare." Dr. Huneke serves as an Emeritus Member of the Council on Accreditation for AAALAC, International, a private, nonprofit organization that promotes the humane treatment of animals in science through voluntary accreditation and assessment programs.

---

## Meet Our Staff

### **Todd Guilmette**

*Radiation Safety Technician*

Todd just hit his five-year mark at Drexel, and in his role as a Radiation Safety Technician, he works to ensure that students and staff work safely with radioactive material and radiation-generating devices. He also protects Drexel facilities and the environment from contamination and overexposure to ionizing radiation, through regulatory compliance, good lab practices, regular monitoring, and education. In addition to radiation, Todd is a fan of movies, music, geekdom, Sci-Fi TV and even has two of his own music projects and an album coming out later this year!



## Funding Opportunity Resources

### **Spotlighted External Funding Opportunities**

[Clinical & Biological Measures of TBI-related dementia incl. Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy \(R01\)](#)

[Functional Target Validation for Alzheimer's Disease-Related Dementias \(UG3/UH3\)](#)

---

[Cyberinfrastructure for Sustained Scientific Innovation \(CSSI\)](#)

[Industry-University Cooperative Research Centers Program \(IUCRC\)](#)

[Real-Time Machine Learning \(RTML\)](#)

[Smart and Connected Communities \(S&CC\)](#)

[AFOSR: Multidisciplinary Research Program of the University Research Initiative](#)

[DARPA: Systematizing Confidence in Open Research and Evidence \(SCORE\)](#)

## Extramural Funding

[University Libraries](#)

## Internal Funding and Limited Submissions

[Drexel University Funding Portal](#)

---

## Events & Education

The Office of Research cordially welcomes your attendance at our Spring 2019 Workshop Series. The lineup is as follows:

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>WORKSHOP TITLE</u></b>
April 3	Internal and Limited Submission Funding Opportunities
April 11	Coeus Lite Protocol Submission (e-IRB)
April 16	NSF Updates through March 2019
April 18	Banner Effort Reporting for Certifiers
April 24	Q/A with the IRB
April 30	Optimizing the Contracting Process
May 1	The Single IRB: Letters of Reliance
May 8	Banner Effort Reporting for Pre-Reviewers
May 14	Revisions to the Common Rule (aka the Final Rule)
May 16	Final Invoices, Final Financial Reports and Closeouts
May 23	Pre-Award Workflow: From Idea to Award

Visit our [website](#) for descriptions of session content. Locations vary and seats are limited, so sign up today.

- Log into [DrexelOne](#) and select the Employee tab
  - Select Career Pathway under the “Development and Certifications” header
-

- Use the Events Calendar under the Learning tab to find a session
- Select the Request button to register

Additionally, the Office of Research can create personalized presentations for faculty, support staff, students and others 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 look forward to seeing you!

---

**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.

**Office of Research | 1505 Race Street | Philadelphia, PA 19102 | [drexel.edu/research](http://drexel.edu/research)**

This message sent to all Faculty and Staff via Drexel Announcement Mail was approved by  
Aleister J. Saunders, PhD, Senior Vice Provost for Research

---