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In Memoriam: Maureen “Mo” Wade, 1958-2018

On April 30, we lost our beloved friend and colleague, Maureen “Mo” Wade. Maureen dedicated 35 years of service to Drexel University, most recently as the Director of Research Systems in the Office of Research. She began her tenure with the University in 1987 as a Senior Accountant, Senior Financial Analyst and Budget Manager. In 1995, she became the Director of Planning and Budget in the Office of Finance before assuming the role of Director of Special Projects in the Division of Student Life and Administrative Services in 2004. In 2007, Maureen joined Drexel IT as Senior IT Business Systems Analyst before joining the Office of Research. Maureen earned a Master of Science degree in Science of Instruction from Drexel University in 1995 and a Bachelor of Business
Administration degree with a focus in Accounting and Management from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania in 1983.

Above all, Maureen was warm, kind and compassionate. She was witty and creative and had the most contagious, spirited laugh. She put her heart and soul not only into her work, but also into her relationships, as evidenced by the outpouring of stories shared across the Drexel community. “Her laugh was full of joy. An easy, joy-filled laugh that I will never forget. She was committed to doing the right thing for the institution even if it was the difficult thing,” said Senior Vice Provost for Research Aleister Saunders. The Office of Research has compiled additional memories of Maureen from colleagues across the University; click here to view/download [PDF].

Maureen's presence will be forever missed, and her impact will never be forgotten. You can read Maureen’s obituary here. Many of Maureen’s colleagues wish to create an on-campus memorial to honor her service and dedication to Drexel University. If you would like to contribute, you can donate at this link.

News & Announcements

DARE Seed Funding Competition
The Drexel Areas of Research Excellence (DARE) competition is underway!! As part of this effort the Office of Research hosted two DARE information/pitch/networking events in April and May. At those events, we heard 20 "pitches" from faculty across the University. We also heard from one student team. These events were very engaging, with wonderful discussions during the networking session. You can view these pitch slide decks on the DARE page of the Drexel University Funding Portal (look under "Competition Files").

DARE will provide resources for two or three groups of faculty and students to each spend a year deeply engaged in an interdisciplinary research effort that spans at least three of our schools and colleges. The goals of the initiative are to:

- Identify 2-3 scholarly areas where Drexel can take a leadership position nationally and internationally;
- Stimulate the formation of effective multidisciplinary research teams;
- Facilitate the submission of large, multidisciplinary proposals to governmental agencies, private industry, foundations/non-profits, and/or philanthropic sponsors;
Elevate the visibility of Drexel’s unique research foci, understanding that some fields traditionally aspire to funded awards and others will seek honorific awards and recognition; and Align with the “The Future Is A Place We Make It” campaign vision.

Completed applications should be submitted electronically using the Drexel University Funding Portal no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, June 25. Application templates are available via the Funding Portal. Please upload applications in PDF format. If you have questions about the application procedure, please contact Gwynne Grasberger. We will send reminders as the deadline approaches and highlight any updates.

Kent Lambert Named DVSRS Exceptional Service Award Recipient
Please join us in congratulating Kent Lambert, Director of Regulatory Compliance and Radiation Safety Officer in the Office of Research, on being awarded the 2018 Delaware Valley Society for Radiation Safety (DVSRS) Meritorious Achievement Award. The award recognizes exceptional service to the DVSRS, the Health Physics Society, and/or the health physics profession by a past or current member of the DVSRS. An individual receiving this award has served the health physics community through outstanding and extended work, teaching and mentoring, public outreach, contributions to radiation safety related professional organizations, or other activities that enhance the professionalism of health physics, and as a result has made a significant contribution toward the advancement of the health physics profession. Kent is only the 7th person to receive this award in 31 years – a well-deserved honor indeed. We are proud of you, Kent! Read more...

General Data Protection Regulation
The new European Union General Data Protection Regulation (EU GDPR) goes into effect on May 25, 2018. It regulates how organizations must protect and handle the information of people who are in the European Union. European data protection regulators could levy hefty fines to organizations that are subject to but do not comply with the new regulation.

As a global university, Drexel works with onsite and online students, faculty, staff, patients, research subjects, and others who are in the European Union. Certain GDPR provisions may apply to some of our community members.

Drexel’s Chief Information Security Officer, Pablo Molina, and interim Chief Privacy Officer, Robert Asante, are working with representatives from several Drexel University offices to inventory our systems and processes. They are also working with the Office of the General Counsel to identify what aspects of GDPR may be applicable to Drexel University. If you have questions about how GDPR may affect a specific Drexel project or activity, please contact GDPR@drexel.edu.

Policy Revisions: Letter of Reliance and SMART IRB
The Human Research Protection Program (HRP) has updated the process for applying for Letters of Reliance and the opportunity to use the SMART IRB platform for multisite collaborative research. Please review the HRP 771-Letter of Reliance Guidance for the updated responsibilities. For more information, please visit the HRP website to view External IRBs and Reliance Agreements.
**Coming Soon: Journal Entry Workflow 2.0**

On Monday, June 11 Journal Entry Workflow 2.0 will be introduced to the University community. The new upgraded application has the same look and feel to the end user, but comes equipped with many new features. In addition, this migration will allow us to house the application on a larger server and prepare for its permanent home as a link in the DrexelOne portal. If you log in to the old application after June 11, you will be presented with a link to the new tool. As of this date, General Accounting and Research Accounting Services will no longer accept paper Transaction Correction Forms or Funding Transfer Forms. All Journal Entries must be submitted through the Journal Entry Workflow. For additional details, please visit the [FY Year-End Closing Schedule](#) and [Accrual and Deferral Schedule](#). Further information on the new process can be found on the [Office of the Comptroller's website](#).

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**NSF Revises Award Terms and Conditions**

The National Science Foundation (NSF) has revised its [Award Terms and Conditions](#). Important changes include:

- Revision of the Equipment article to align with 2 CFR § 200.313 requirements for all equipment purchased under NSF awards and to provide clarity on reporting requirements for NSF-owned equipment; and
- Revision of the Patent Rights article to implement government-wide changes to the Department of Commerce Bayh-Dole regulations at 37 CFR § 401 effective May 14, 2018.

Each set of terms and conditions is accompanied by a summary of changes made to that document.

The revised Terms and Conditions will apply to all new NSF awards and funding amendments to existing NSF awards made on or after May 14, 2018. Revisions have been made to the following documents:

- NSF Agency Specific Requirements to the Research Terms and Conditions (ASR);
- Cooperative Agreement Financial & Administrative Terms and Conditions (CA-FATC);
- Cooperative Agreement Modifications and Supplemental Financial and Administrative Terms and Conditions for Major Multi-User Research Facility Projects and Federally Funded Research and Development Centers; and
- Grant General Conditions (GC-1).

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the DIAS Policy Office at 703.292.8243 or by email policy@nsf.gov. To learn more visit the [NSF Award Terms and Conditions website](#).

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**Louis and Bessie Stein Family Fellowship for Students and Faculty**

The Office of International Programs is pleased to announce the Louis and Bessie Stein Family Fellowship for Exchanges with Israeli Universities competition for activities in Academic Year 2018-2019. The fellowship is open to undergraduate and graduate students and faculty of Drexel University, and it offers financial assistance to attend, conduct research and/or teach at one of the eligible Israeli Universities. Further details on eligibility and how to apply can be found on the [Office of International Programs website](#).
Budgetary Updates for Ruth L. Kirschstein NRSA Fellowships for FY18

Effective May 9, 2018, under Notice NOT-OD-18-175, new guidelines for stipend levels for fiscal year (FY) 2018 Kirschstein-NRSA awards for undergraduate, predoctoral, and postdoctoral trainees and fellows have been established. In addition, the Training Related Expenses and the Institutional Allowance for postdoctoral trainees and fellows have been increased. The Training Related Expenses and Institutional Allowances for predoctoral trainees and fellows and the Tuition and Fees for all educational levels remain unchanged. This Notice reflects the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-141), signed into law on March 23, 2018. Please note that this Notice supersedes NOT-OD-17-084 and NOT-OD-17-003. For the full details, please see the NOT-OD-18-175.

Funding Opportunity Resources

Spotlighted External Funding Opportunities

NIH Director's Pioneer Award
Advancing HIV Therapeutic Vaccine Science
DOD CDMRP Lung Cancer Research Program
DOD CDMRP Peer-Reviewed Cancer Research Program
NSF Faculty Early Career Development Program
NSF Centers for Chemical Innovation

Extramural Funding

University Libraries

Internal Funding and Limited Submissions

Drexel University Funding Portal

Meet Our Staff

Gurleen Kaur
Research Accountant-Setup Specialist
In her role with Research Accounting Services, Gurleen reviews
award source documents, including award terms and conditions, award budgets, and COEUS budgets. She sets up new funds and fund modifications and monitors budget variances. She communicates with pre-award administration, department administrators, principal investigators and others to ensure the accuracy of post-award support for fund administration. Gurleen will be celebrating her one-year anniversary at Drexel next month, which also happens to be her first job in the United States. In her free time, she enjoys playing with her son and watching movies.

Events & Education

Upcoming Office of Research sessions include:

June 7: Introduction to COEUS Proposal Submissions for Grants

Log in to Career Pathway via DrexelOne to view the full schedule, access detailed descriptions of the topics, and to register. We look forward to seeing you!

The Office of Research 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.