NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

Council on Faculty Research
Applications for the FY16 Council on Faculty Research funding are due September 9, 2015, by 12:00 noon. For more details, see the summary on page five.

NEH 2016 Summer Stipends
The National Endowment for the Humanities has announced the 2016 Summer Stipend grant competition. More information can be found on page four.

Faculty Development Seminars
We will again be conducting seminars this fall to discuss ways to search for relevant external grant opportunities and also receive tips on writing successful grant proposal for both external and internal grants. See page six for more information about dates and times for these seminars.

Submissions and Awards
The listing on pages 2-4 recognizes everyone who received a grant or submitted a proposal for external funding during the months of March 2015 through June 2015.

Bob Chesnut
**GRANTS RECEIVED**
**MARCH—JUNE, 2015**

**Armstrong, Ke’An/ Neal, Jack/ Good, Brenda, WEIU.** WEIU Kids Day at the Castle. City of Charleston Tourism, $500.

**Bower, Douglas, Education and Professional Studies Dean’s Office.** IBHE Common Core State Standards Integration (Increase #1). Illinois Board of Higher Education, $60,000.

**Colombo, Robert, Biological Sciences.** Asian Carp 2015. UIUC/INHS/IDNR/USFWS, $17,395.

**Colombo, Robert, Biological Sciences.** Effect of Dams on the Genetic Structure of Fish Assemblages in the Vermillion River. Illinois Water Resources Center, $8,518.

**Colombo, Robert/Laursen, Jeffrey/Pederson, Charles, Biological Sciences.** Ecological condition of a stretch of the Sangamon River receiving effluent from the Sanitary District of Decatur: Focusing on water chemistry, qualitative habitat assessment, and the mussel, macroinvertebrate and fish assemblages. Sanitary District of Decatur, $293,726.

**Crews, Daniel, College of Arts & Humanities Dean’s Office.** Celebration: A Festival of the Arts 2015. City of Charleston Tourism, $1,500.

**Gutowski, Vincent/Di Naso, Steven, Geology/Geography.** GIS Database Development for the City of Charleston (Amendment #8). City of Charleston, $6,250.


**Meiners, Scott, Biological Sciences.** Evaluating the potential of chestnuts and hazelnuts as sustainable crops in East-Central Illinois. Lumpkin Family Foundation, $22,000.

**Menze, Michael, Biological Sciences.** Collaborative Research: Mechanisms of Tolerance to Severe Water Stress in Animals. National Science Foundation, $173,373.

**Murray, Robin, English.** National Writing Project 2014-2016 Teacher Leadership Development SEED Grant - Year Two. National Writing Project, $10,000.

**Neal, Jack, WEIU.** IAC FY15 (Operating Grant). Illinois Arts Council, $16,835.

**Reid, Debra, History.** Field School in Interdisciplinary Medieval Research, Analysis and Public Interpretation. Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation, $4,800.


**Rich, Cynthia, Education and Professional Studies Dean’s Office.** Teaching with Primary Sources (Year 9). Library of Congress, $184,000.

**Savickas, Eric, Military Sciences.** EIU ROTC Cadet Awards Promotion FY15. Tawani Charitable Foundation, $5,000.


**Vaught, Dwight, College of Arts and Humanities Dean’s Office.** Residency by the Seldoms dance company and performance of POWER GOES. New England Foundation for the Arts: National Dance Project, $3,000.
GRANT PROPOSALS SUBMITTED
MARCH—JUNE, 2015

Armstrong, Ke'An/Neal, Jack/Good, Brenda, WEIU. WEIU Kids Day at the Castle. City of Charleston
Canam, Thomas, Biological Sciences. Fungi for Bioenergy: Scaling for Commercialization. Environmental Protection Agency.
Colombo, Robert, Biological Sciences. Asian Carp 2015. UIUC/INHS/IDNR/USFWS.
Colombo, Robert/Bollinger, Eric/Meiners, Scott, Biological Sciences. A Long Term Monitoring Program of Fish Population on the Wabash River FY16. IDNR/USFWS.
Davidson, Eric/Tozer, Michel, Health Services Health Education Resource Center (HERC). Health Education Resource Center. Transforming Youth Recovery.
Gutowski, Vincent/DiNaso, Steven, Geology/Geography. GIS Database Development for the City of Charleston (Amendment #8). City of Charleston.
**Grant Proposals Submitted Continued**  
March—June, 2015

Meiners, Scott, Biological Sciences. Evaluating the potential of chestnuts and hazelnuts as sustainable crops in East-Central Illinois. Lumpkin Family Foundation.


Olausen, Kurt, Study Abroad. IIE Generation Study Abroad Scholarship Program. Institute for International Education.

Padmaraju, Kiran, Early Childhood, Elementary, and Middle Level Education. Online English Language Courses or Indian Learners. Department of State.

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**NEH 2016 Summer Stipends**

Those faculty members who are preparing an application to the National Endowment for the Humanities for 2016 Summer Stipends should have their proposals turned into the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs 600 W. Lincoln Ave, 1102 Blair Hall, by 12:00 noon, Monday, September 7, 2015. This is slightly earlier than the NEH submission deadline listed in the application package. The Endowment limits each institution to a total of two nominations, therefore we must verify that no more than two are submitting.

Information on the NEH 2016 Summer Stipend grant competition can be found by clicking here: http://www.neh.gov/grants/research/summer-stipends. If you are planning to apply, please notify the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at 581-2125, as soon as possible. The application must be submitted through Grants.gov. You will apply as an individual, but our office can assist you with the Grants.gov registration and submission process.
The Council on Faculty Research (CFR) grant competition will be held in early September. The Council supports research and creative activity. Proposed projects must address a significant scholarly issue. All tenured/tenure track faculty in Bargaining Unit A, department chairs, and associate chairs are eligible to submit in the Fall 2015 (FY16) competition. Beginning with awards made during the Fall 2005 competition, any individual may receive only two consecutive Fall awards, after which the individual will be ineligible for a Fall award in the third year. Eligibility would resume in the fourth year. All eligible persons who wish to apply for funding from the CFR should either submit an application online or hand-deliver one copy of their proposal to the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, 1102 Blair Hall, no later than 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 9, 2015. Researchers who have previously received any internal funding through ORSP should verify all progress/final reports are on file for each award in the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs. To obtain a copy of the application materials, please visit our website. Applicants should be sure they use the most current application forms. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Mattingly in the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at 581-2125.
FALL 2015 Faculty Development Seminars

Congratulations! You’ve been funded…now what?
Wednesday, September 30, 2015  3:00 — 4:00pm  Booth Library Room 4450

This workshop is for faculty who have recently received funding or staff who will be managing grant funds, or for anyone who would like a refresher course on grant management. Learn how to check your balance on PAWS and how to keep your own electronic file of pending transactions. Important rules and regulations to keep in mind during your grant term will also be reviewed and you’ll have the opportunity to have all your grant related questions answered.

How to Write a Successful Proposal to the Council on Faculty Research
Monday, November 30, 2015 12:00 noon – 1:00pm  Martinsville Room, MLK Jr. University Union

Eastern’s internal funding for research and creative activity is awarded on a competitive basis by the Council on Faculty Research. There are two rounds of funding, one in the fall and one in the spring. This presentation will include suggestions for making a proposal competitive, as well as examples of recent funded proposals.

To register for these or other seminars, contact Faculty Development at 217-581-7051 or visit their website.
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- Assistance with grant budget calculations
- Proposal submission to external agencies
  - Internal Routing
  - Contact with agencies
- Post-award forms and procedures
- Coordination of internal grant competitions
  - President’s Fund for Research and Creative Activity
  - Council on Faculty Research
  - Proposal Initiative Fund

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- Approval of budgets
- Creation of grant accounts
- Transactions throughout the life of the grant
- Financial reports