Notes from the Director

Council on Faculty Research
Applications for the FY15 Council on Faculty Research funding are due September 10, 2014, by 12:00 noon. For more details, see the summary on page 7.

President’s Fund for Research and Creative Activity
Grants from the President’s Fund for Research and Creative Activity (PFRCA), formerly known as the President’s Research Fund, are available for enhancing the recipient’s chances of obtaining external funding. Applications for the next round of PFRCA funding are due October 6, 2014, by 12:00 noon. For more details, see the summary on page 6.

Submissions and Awards
The listing on pages 2-5 recognizes everyone who received a grant or submitted a proposal for external funding during the months of March 2014 through June 2014.

Retirement of Cathy Thomas
We would like to congratulate Cathy Thomas on her retirement at the end of May, 2014. Cathy was at EIU for over 30 years and in the Research and Sponsored Programs office for 19 of those years and was known for providing excellent service to many faculty and staff who used the services of the office.

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GRANTS RECEIVED  
MARCH—JUNE, 2014

Armstrong, Ke’an/Neal, Jack, WEIU. Annual WEIU Kids Day Event. City of Charleston / Tourism Grant, $500.


Colombo, Robert/Resende da Maia, Anabela, Biological Sciences. Monitoring to Support Embarras River Watershed Plan; Support and Evaluate Restoration activities in Kickapoo Creek, a Tributary to the Embarras River, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, $141,000.

Crews, Daniel, College of Arts and Humanities Dean's Office. Celebration: A Festival of the Arts FY2014. City of Charleston, $1,500.


Deppe, Jill/Gaines, Karen, Biological Sciences. McHenry County Conservation District Bat Survey Project (Year Two). McHenry County Conservation District, $13,759.

Derr, Janice, Library Services. Dust, Drought, and Dreams Gone Dry. American Library Association with funding through NEH for support of public programming, $1,200.

DiNaso, Steven/Gutowski, Vincent, Geology/Geography. GPS Acquisition of Sewer/Storm-Water Utilities Data (Increase #1) (Phase 1). City of Danville, $2,300.


Duncan-Lane, Crystal, Family and Consumer Sciences. In the Shadow of the Ribbon: Experiences of Women with Stage I'V Breast Cancer. Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society, $3,000.

Gutowski, Vincent/DiNaso Steven, Geology/Geography. GIS Database Development for the City of Charleston (Amendment #7). City of Charleston, $6,250.

Harvey, Amanda/Davidson, Eric, Health Services. SAMHSA’s Town Hall Meeting Initiative. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, $500.

He, Hongshan, Chemistry. BODIPY-Pd Complexes for Photocatalytic C-C Coupling Reactions. American Chemical Society - Petroleum Research Fund, $70,000.


**GRANTS RECEIVED CONTINUED**

**MARCH—JUNE, 2014**

**Neal, Jack, WEIU.** CPB Interconnection FY14 (Increase #1). Corporation for Public Broadcasting, $4,298.

**Neal, Jack, WEIU.** CPB CSG FY14 (Increase #1). Corporation for Public Broadcasting, $252,427.

**Savickas, Eric, Military Sciences.** EIU ROTC Cadet Awards Promotion FY14. Tawani Foundation, $5,000.


**Siegel, Ryan / Weber, Chad, Facilities Planning and Management.** DCEO Efficiency Grant, Fine Arts Chiller. Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, $55,440.


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**GRANT PROPOSALS SUBMITTED**

**MARCH—JUNE, 2014**

**Armstrong, Ke'an/Neal, Jack, WEIU.** Annual WEIU Kids Day Event. City of Charleston / Tourism Grant.


**Chesnut, Robert, Research and Sponsored Programs.** Prescription Information Library FY15. Illinois Department of Human Services.

**Colombo, Robert/ Resende da Maia, Anabela, Biological Sciences.** Monitoring to Support Embarras River Watershed Plan; Support and Evaluate Restoration Activities in Kickapoo Creek, a Tributary to the Embarras River. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

**Coons, Janice, Biological Sciences.** Population surveys, reproductive ecology, and seed ecology and seed predator identification for Physaria kaibabensis. University of Illinois Urbana Champaign/Illinois Natural History Survey.
Coons, Janice, Biological Sciences. Population surveys, reproductive ecology, and seed ecology for Physaria navajoensis.. University of Illinois Urbana Champaign/Illinois Natural History Survey.

Coons, Janice, Biological Sciences. Reproductive and seed ecology for Beardless chinch weed (Pectis imberbis). University of Illinois Urbana Champaign/Illinois Natural History Survey.

Crews, Daniel, College of Arts and Humanities Dean's Office. Celebration: A Festival of the Arts FY2014. City of Charleston.


DiNaso, Steven/Gutowski, Vincent, Geology/Geography. GPS Acquisition of Sewer/Storm-Water Utilities Data (Increase #1) (Phase 1). City of Danville.

DiNaso, Steven/Gutowski, Vincent, Geology/Geography. Sewer/Storm-Water Connectivity Model (Phase 2). City of Danville.


Gutowski, Vincent/DiNaso Steven, Geology/Geography. GIS Database Development for the City of Charleston (Amendment #7). City of Charleston.

Harvey, Amanda/Davidson, Eric, Health Services. SAMHSA's Town Hall Meeting Initiative. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Konkle, Mary/ Menze, Michael, Chemistry/Biological Sciences. Characterizing the Cellular Impacts of MitoNEET Activation on the Insulin-Regulator Glutamate Dehydrogenase 1. Diabetes Action Research and Education Foundation.


Mullin, Stephen, Biological Sciences. Safe Passage: The Hose Bridge as a Model Conduit System During Seasonal Peaks in the Migration of Small Vertebrates. Illinois Department of Natural Resources.


Neal, Jack, WEIU. CPB CSG FY14 (Increase #1). Corporation for Public Broadcasting.
Grant Proposals Submitted
March—June, 2014


FY 2016 President’s Fund for Research and Creative Activity Competition

The purpose of the President's Fund Research and Creative Activity (PFRCA) is to support projects with potential to lead to significant external funding of research and/or scholarship. Faculty members from both Unit A and Unit B are eligible to apply.

Applicants agree to submit at least one proposal for external funding within 12 months of the end of the PFRCA grant. The total amount of external funding requested should normally be at least four times the amount of PFRCA funding awarded. PFRCA proposals are evaluated by external reviewers and by an internal advisory board appointed by the President of Eastern Illinois University. The President makes all final funding decisions.

Proposals for up to $20,000 will be accepted. Successful applicants can expect to begin expending PFRCA funds in July, 2015.

The proposal must be hand-delivered to the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, 1102 Blair Hall, by noon on October 6, 2014. To access program guidelines and application instructions, please visit our website at http://www.eiu.edu/~grants/INTERNAL_PRF.php.
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 2014 (FY15) 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 10, 2014. 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 at http://www.eiu.edu/~grants/OS_Internal_Forms.php. 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 2014 Faculty Development Seminars

Electronic Searches for Grant Opportunities

Monday, September 15, 2014 4:00 – 5:00pm
Booth Library Room 4450
Several search engines on the Research & Sponsored Programs website are useful for seeking grant opportunities. Participants will learn important search techniques and methods of conducting regular, automated searches for external funding.

Introduction to Proposals for External Funding

Monday, October 6, 2014 4:00 – 5:00pm
Martinsville Room, MLK Jr. University Union
Anyone who is relatively new to submitting proposals to external agencies will benefit from this seminar. This presentation will include:
(1) a description of major sections of typical proposal;
(2) a brief description of how to construct a budget;
(3) Eastern's internal requirements for approval of proposals before they are submitted;
(4) Eastern's internal procedures for handling money after a grant has been approved, and
(5) regulatory issues such as protection of animals and human subjects.

How to Write a Successful Proposal to the Council on Faculty Research

Two Sessions
Monday, December 1, 2014 12:00 noon – 1:00pm
Tuesday, December 2, 2014 4:00 – 5:00 P.M.
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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  - Internal Routing
  - Contact with agencies
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- Coordination of internal grant competitions
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  - 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