Office of Career and Technical Education and Office of Sponsored Projects Present Michael Brustein National Expert on Sponsored Project Audit Issues

By Invitation Only
Washington, DC Attorney to Lead Grant Compliance Discussions at WSU

Mr. Brustein, one of America’s top experts on audit pitfalls for Sponsored Projects, will offer tips on how to avoid audit problems & reduce risks. Come listen and take the opportunity to ask questions.
September 18 – 2:00 p.m. – Special Collections Room LB 231

Michael Brustein, founding partner of the Washington DC law firm of Brustein & Manasevit, will be at Weber State University on Tuesday, September 18, to conduct a training and Q&A session focusing on Audit issues for P.I.’s involved in grant awards.

Having served as an attorney advisor to the former United States Office of Education, and Chief of the Adult and Vocational Education Branch in the HEW Office of General Counsel / Education Division, Michael Brustein served on the transition team to establish the United States Education Department. Following the opening of the new federal department in May 1980, he founded his firm with partner Leigh Manasevit in July 1980.

Brustein & Manasevit specialize in federal grants management and legislative services for state and local educational agencies. The firm provides legal advice regarding federal education programs such as No Child Left Behind, IDEIA / IDEA, Perkins and Workforce Education, as well as the Higher Education Act. In addition, the firm regularly counsels clients on federal grants management requirements and protection against adverse audit findings.

Perkins Grants
Julie Snowball
Career and Technical Education
Weber State University

The office of Career and Technical Education (CTE) at Weber State University assists with the coordination and planning efforts of career and technical for the campus. This includes AS/AAS degrees, certificates and any other credit or non-credit career training programs. The CTE office also works with the colleges and other campus entities that offer CTE programs to help them locate, secure and manage federal and state funds including Carl D. Perkins funds, Jobs Now Initiative programs, STIT funds, etc.

The CTE office coordinates articulation efforts and relationships with business and industry, DWS offices, local school districts, and all higher education partners throughout the state. The primary goal for CTE at WSU is to provide academic as well as skills-based technical opportunities for...
students to prepare them for high-skill, high-wage, and high-demand occupations. CTE accomplishes this by establishing partnerships between the university, employers and other educators to establish programs and career pathways that integrate work-based programs into the more traditional curriculum. In addition, the CTE office encourages students to continue their education beyond a two-year program.

Julie Snowball, CTE director, says that she is pleased with what CTE has been able to accomplish at Weber State University over the years. “WSU has the best students, faculty, administration and CTE programs in the state. We are very fortunate to have a campus that values and nurtures both the academic and technical accomplishments of our students.”

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**National Science Foundation Funding Opportunities**

**Agency:** National Science Foundation  
**Next Deadline:** September 12, 2007  
**Synopsis:** The Instrument Development for Biological Research Program supports the development of novel instrumentation or improvement of an instrument by an order of magnitude, and/or the development or major improvement of software for the operation of instruments. Supported instruments are anticipated to have a major impact on the study of biological systems at any level. These must not be clinical or biomedical. See


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**Agency:** National Science Foundation  
**Next Deadline:** September 15, 2007  
**Synopsis:** Supports projects to develop and advance knowledge concerning endangered human languages. Made urgent by the imminent death of an estimated half of the 6000-7000 currently used human languages, this effort aims also to exploit advances in information technology. Funding will support fieldwork and other activities relevant to recording, documenting, and archiving endangered languages. See.

Agency: National Science Foundation  
Next Deadline: September 15, 2007  
Synopsis: The combustion, Fire and Plasma Systems supports and education on the title subject. This program is not applied research, but provides basic knowledge that can be used by others in development of systems for combustion and plasma applications and for mitigating the effects of fire. See.  

Agency: National Science Foundation  
Next Deadline: October 1, 2007  
Synopsis: The Operation Research (OR) program seeks to support research leading to fundamental advances in the science of models and algorithms arising in the study of operations of large scale systems. This will support research in three main models based on integrating OR methodology with advanced high-end computing. Overall emphasis of the program is research that improves modeling and computational capabilities in OR. See.  

Agency: National Science Foundation  
Next Deadline: October 15, 2007  
Synopsis: The Sociology Program supports basic research on all forms of human social organization and processes of individual and institutional change, and encourages theoretically focused processes. Projects are evaluated using two Foundation-wide criteria, intrinsic merit and broader impacts. The NSF also offers a number of specialized funding opportunities through its crosscutting and cross-directorate activities. See.  

Agency: National Science Foundation  
Next Deadline: October 10, 2007  
Synopsis: NSF Astronomy and Astrophysics Postdoctoral Fellowships provide an opportunity for highly qualified, recent doctoral scientists to carry out an integrated program of independent research and education. Fellows may engage in observational, instrumental, theoretical, laboratory or archival data research in any area of astronomy and astrophysics, in combination with a coherent educational plan for the duration of the fellowship. See.  

Agency: National Science Foundation  
Next Deadline: October 31, 2007  
Synopsis: The Archaeology Program provides support for anthropologically relevant archaeological research at both a "senior" and doctoral dissertation level. It also funds anthropologically significant archaeometric research. High risk exploratory research proposals are accepted for consideration and a description of these competitions is provided in the Archaeology Program Overview. See.  

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