Rules and Regulations

- By Chris Millard

Winston Churchill once said, “If you have ten–thousand regulations, you destroy all respect for the law.” Having said that, we recognize there are much more than ten–thousand regulations regarding the management of sponsored project money. Indeed, the sheer volume of OMB Circular A–21 is overwhelming and intimidating. OSP works hard to keep abreast of the regulations, and more importantly, how the federal auditors are currently testing for compliance. We try to communicate this information to you and at the same time, take necessary actions to safeguard the university as we expend in support of your projects.

Here are a five things we commonly explain to Principal Investigators. (1) We can never move money out of a grant to another account. We can only move expenditures into an account. (2) Every expenditure must be according to the budget, and be wholly and completely dedicated to the performance of the scope of work. (3) We can make a change in a budget at the university level when the change is not in excess of 10% of the line item. If the change is greater than 10% of the line item, we must get written approval from the agency. (4) All costs must be treated the same way. This is the first audit test: consistency. (5) All expenditures must be made in accordance with WSU Policy and Procedure.

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NEW PROPOSALS

Agency: Weber County  
Principal Investigator: Greg Lewis  
Proposed Amount: $ Unspecified  

Agency: Weber County  
Principal Investigator: Mike Palumbo  
Proposed Amount: $ Unspecified  

Agency: NEA  
Principal Investigator: Mike Palumbo  
Proposed Amount: $ Unspecified  

Agency: NSF  
Principal Investigator: Michelle Moore  
Proposed Amount: Unspecified  

Agency: Office of Museum Services  
Principal Investigator: Fletcher Booth  
Proposed Amount: $ 6,000  

Agency: Utah State Crime Victims  
Principal Investigator: Laurie Culbertson  
Proposed Amount: $ 29,000  

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NEW AWARDS

Agency: USDA Forest Service  
Principal Investigator: Brooke Arkush  
Amount: $ 10,000  
Title: Sawtooth National Forest  
Synopsis: Project allows hands on experience for university students and local tribal members of archaeological excavations of various prehistoric cultural resource sites, analyzing recovered cultural materials, and development of an interpretive database.  

Agency: Ogden City Arts  
Principal Investigator: Mike Palumbo  
Amount: $ 1,200  
Title: 2006 String Project  
Synopsis: Project provides string instrument instruction to students beginning in the third grade. Project also employs string music education majors to help alleviate the nationwide shortage of teachers.  

Agency: Ogden City Arts  
Principal Investigator: Fletcher Booth  
Amount: $ 700  
Title: OCA-Mary Elizabeth Dee Shaw Gallery Exhibition  
Synopsis: Project organizes at least six exhibitions each year of local, regional, national and internationally recognized artists. All gallery exhibitions are free and open to the public.  

Agency: CH2M Hill  
Principal Investigator: John Cavitt  
Amount: $ 57,482  
Title: GSL Avian Studies  
Synopsis: Project researches ambient selenium concentrations in water, sediment, brine shrimp, brine flies, and unidentified food items in nesting shorebirds.  

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- **White Papers/Letters of Intent**
- **Pre-applications/Pre-proposals**
- **Full Proposals/Applications**
- **Combination of previous three**

**June 1st:** Application due for **Research on the Economics of Diet, Activity, and Energy Balance** by NCI; NIDDK; NIBIB; NIA; OBSSR. [Click here](#)

Application due for **Increasing Adolescent Immunization Coverage in School-Based Health Centers** by HHS; CDC. [Click here](#)

Application due for **The Effect of Racial and Ethnic Discrimination/Dias on Health Care Delivery** by NCI; NIDDK; OBSSR; NHLBI; NIBIB; NIDA. [Click here](#)

Application due for **Drug Abuse Prevention Intervention Research** by NIDA. [Click here](#)

**June 12th:** Application due for **Mentoring Children of Prisoners** by HHS; ACT; FYSB. [Click here](#)

**June 16th:** Application due for **Breakthrough Approaches to CarbonDioxide and Separation** by DOE; NETL. [Click here](#)

**June 27th:** Proposal due for **Computational Science Training for Undergraduates in the Mathematical Sciences** by MPS; DMS; OMA; HER; DUE. [Click here](#)

Proposal due for **Computational Science Training for Undergraduates in Math Sciences** by NSF. [Click here](#)
June 30th: Proposal due for Research on the Economic Impact of Cooperatives by USDA; Rural Development.  Click here

July 16th: Proposal due for Geobiology and Low-Temperature Geochemistry by GEO:EAR.  Click here
Proposal due for Earthscope by GEO: EAR.  Click here

July 17th: Proposal due for Grants to Preserve and Create Access to Humanities Collections by NEH.  Click here

July 20th: Proposal due for Fiscal Year 2007 Young Investigator Research Program by DoD; USAF; AFMC; AFOSR.  Click here

August 11th: Letter of intent due for Non-Antibiotic Selectable Markers for Biodefense by NIAID.  Click here

August 14th: Proposal due for Access to Artistic Excellence by NEA.  Click here

September 12th: Application due for Non-Antibiotic Selectable Markers for Biodefense by NIAID.  Click here

Agency: Director for Mathematical and Physical Sciences; Division for Mathematical Sciences; Office of Multidisciplinary activities; Directorate for Education and Human Resources; Division of undergraduate Education  
Due Date: June 27, October 17–Annually until 2009  
Amount: $2 million  
# of Awards: 7–15  
Synopsis: PA enhancing computational aspects of the education and training of undergraduate students in the mathematical sciences—mathematics and statistics—and to better prepare these students to pursue careers and graduate study in fields that require integrated strengths in computation and the mathematical sciences.  
More Info . . .

Agency: U.S. Department of Energy; National Energy Technology Laboratory  
Due Date: June 16, 2006  
Amount: $Unspecified  
# of Awards: Unspecified  
Synopsis: Notice seeking applications for projects investigating novel and innovative methods to capture or separate CO2 from power plant flue gas through laboratory–based experimentation under the Novel Technology and Commercially Focused Approaches to CO2 Capture and Separation for Existing and Future Carbon Based Electric Generation Power Plants program.  
More Info . . .

Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Due Date: June 1, 2006  
Amount: $80,000  
# of Awards: 1  
Synopsis: Notice seeking proposals for investigator-initiated research that will help expand and advance understanding of the feasibility and acceptability of providing adolescent vaccines in school-based health centers.  
More Info . . .

Agency: Directorate for Geosciences; Division of Earth Sciences  
Due Date: July 16, January 16–Annually  
Amount: $4 million  
# of Awards: 20–30  
Synopsis: PA facilitating cross-disciplinary efforts to harness new bioanalytical tools—such as those emerging from molecular biology—in the study of the terrestrial environment.  
More Info . . .

Agency: National Cancer Institute; National Institute for Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research; National Heart Lung and Blood Institute; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering; National Institute on Drug Abuse  
Due Date: February 1, June 1, October 1–Annually until January 3, 2008  
Amount: $ Unspecified  
# of Awards: Unspecified  
Synopsis: PA announcing to improve the measurement of racial/ethnic discrimination in health care delivery systems through improved instrumentation, data collection and statistical/analytical techniques; to enhance understanding of the influence of racial/ethnic discrimination in health care delivery and its association with disparities in disease incidence, treatment and outcomes among disadvantaged racial/ethnic minority groups; and to reduce the prevalence of racial/ethnic health disparities through the development of interventions to reduce the influence of racial/ethnic discrimination on health care delivery systems in the United States.  
More Info . . .

Agency: Directorate for Geosciences; Division of Earth Sciences  
Due Date: July 16–Annually  
Amount: $6 million  
# of Awards: 15–25  
Synopsis: PS funding for the conduct of research in most areas of the solid-earth and surface–terrestrial sciences.  
More Info . . .

Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Administration for Children and Families; Family and youth Services Bureau  
Due Date: June 16, 2006  
Amount: $Unspecified  
# of Awards: Unspecified  
Synopsis: Notice seeking applications for projects investigating novel and innovative methods to capture or separate CO2 from power plant flue gas through laboratory–based experimentation under the Novel Technology and Commercially Focused Approaches to CO2 Capture and Separation for Existing and Future Carbon Based Electric Generation Power Plants program.  
More Info . . .

Agency: National Cancer Institute; National Institute for Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research; National Heart Lung and Blood Institute; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering; National Institute on Drug Abuse  
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Many funding possibilities exist. If you do not see one listed that fits your interests, please call x7537 or email spendlove@weber.edu with your ideas and what you’d like to do with them so we can tailor a search just for you.
Agency: National Endowment for the Humanities  
Due Date: July 17, 2006  
Amount: $Unspecified  
# of Awards: Unspecified  
Synopsis: Supports projects to preserve and create intellectual access to humanities collections, that, because of their intellectual content and value as cultural artifacts, are considered highly important for research, education, and public programming. Collections may include, but are not limited to, books, journals, newspapers, manuscript and archival materials, maps, still and moving images, sound recordings, and objects of art and material culture. In the past awards have ranged from $50,000 to $350,000.  
More Info . . .

Agency: National Science Foundation  
Due Date: October 10, 2006  
Amount: $Unspecified  
# of Awards: Unspecified  
Synopsis: The Research Experiences for Teachers (RET) program supports the active involvement of K-12 teachers and community college faculty in engineering research in order to bring knowledge of engineering and technological innovation into their classrooms. This announcement features two mechanisms for support of in-service and pre-service K-12 teachers and/or community college faculty research: RET Supplements and RET Sites. RET Supplements may be included in proposals for new or renewal NSF Directorate for Engineering (ENG) grants or as supplements to ongoing NSF/ENG funded projects. RET Sites are based on independent proposals to initiate and conduct research participation projects for a number of K-12 teachers and/or community college faculty.  
More Info . . .

Agency: National Institute on Drug Abuse  
Due Date: February 1, June 1, October 1–Annually until September 2, 2008  
Amount: Unspecified  
# of Awards: Unspecified  
Synopsis: PA inviting to encourage exploratory/developmental and pilot/feasibility research projects of cognitive, behavioral, and social processes as they relate to: the development of novel drug abuse prevention approaches; the efficacy and effectiveness of newly developed and/or modified prevention programs; the processes associated with the selection, adoption, adaptation, implementation, sustainability, and financing of empirically validated interventions; and methodologies appropriate for studying complex aspects of prevention science.  
More Info . . .

Agency: National Science Foundation  
Due Date: June 27, 2006  
Amount: $Unspecified  
# of Awards: Unspecified  
Synopsis: Goal is to enhance computational aspects of the education & training of undergraduates in the mathematical sciences—mathematics & statistics—to better prepare these students to pursue careers & graduate study in fields that require integrated strengths in computation & math sciences. Core of activity is long-term research experiences for cohorts of at least 6 undergraduates. Projects must focus on topics that required interplay between computation & mathematics or statistics.  
More Info . . .

Agency: National Endowment for the Arts  
Due Date: August 14, 2006  
Amount: $ 5,000- $150,000  
# of Awards: Unspecified  
Synopsis: To encourage and support artistic excellence, preserve our cultural heritage, and provide access to the arts for all Americans.  
More Info . . .