



OSP Observer

Sponsored Projects News, Events, and Updates

Summer 2022

Congratulations to our SU faculty and staff who submitted 87 proposals and received 65 new awards totaling \$6,477,271 in new funding over the 2021-22 fiscal year (FY22)! This reflects over a doubling of awards (110% increase) received over the previous year and a 28% increase in proposals submitted. Keep an eye out for our annual report coming out toward the end of summer for more details.

As we close out FY22, I want to express my sincere gratitude to OSP's Sponsored Research Officers **Kara Luckey** and **Sarah Bricknell** who have provided unfaltering support during times of unprecedented growth in both the number and complexity of proposals submitted and grants awarded. Kara and Sarah have been instrumental in strengthening the competitiveness of SU proposals whilst juggling the competing demands of managing active awards and leading several excellent events and workshops. I also want to welcome **Breana Stoner** who joined us as the Academic Safety Officer in May and has quickly been improving our safety infrastructure.

If you haven't already, please take 3 minutes to complete our [OSP End of Year Survey](#) to help refine our services and plan our activities for the next academic year. A reminder that the [OSP is available all summer](#) - please don't hesitate to reach out!

Best,

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Director, Office of Sponsored Projects

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Thank you to the OSP Advisory Council

Thank you to the 2021-22 OSP Advisory Council members who have continued to push the envelope on recognizing faculty research 'wins' across and beyond campus, understanding the landscape of research expectations and support across colleges, and adding voice and representation of scholarship in the Reignited Strategic Directions. OSP extends a particularly hearty thank you to those members rotating off the Council.

- **John Carter** | College of Science & Engineering
- **Margaret Chon*** | School of Law
- **Allison Henrich** | College of Science & Engineering
- **Hidy Kong** | College of Science & Engineering
- **Rochelle Lundy*** | Lemieux Library
- **Claus Portner** | Albers School of Business
- **Erica Rauff** | College of Arts & Sciences
- **Eunice Rhee*** | Albers School of Business
- **Kumhee Ro*** | College of Nursing
- **Randall Souza*** | College of Arts & Sciences
- **Michael Trice** | School of Theology & Ministry
- **Kerry Von Esch** | College of Education
- **Zach Woods** | College of Arts & Sciences

**Member rotating off the Council*

Recent OSP Events – Materials Available

Faculty and Staff Learning: Essentials of Proposal Development

OSP was pleased to provide this spring learning session focused on the core principles of effective proposal development and writing. Participants gained insight into all aspects of the proposal process including critically reviewing funding announcements, developing project aims that respond to sponsor objectives, and crafting compelling proposal narratives. Any faculty or staff who missed the session and are looking to improve their grant-writing skills are encouraged to view the [recording](#) and/or [slides](#). Additional materials – including [resource sheet](#) – are available [here](#).

Faculty Convocation: Provost's Celebration of Faculty Scholarship and Achievements

On May 19th, the OSP joined Provost Martin and Special Assistant to the Provost for Faculty Development Jodi O'Brien in recognizing the myriad accomplishments of SU faculty over the past year at the [Celebration of Faculty](#). In addition to the Provost's Awardee for Excellence in Research, Scholarship and Creative Endeavors for Tenure/Tenure Track Faculty, **Brian Fischer**, we were delighted to present the following OSP Awards:

- **Persistent Proposer – Mo Sin**, Associate Professor of Nursing, College of Nursing
Congratulations to Dr. Sin on her two proposals to and two awards from the National Institutes of Health this year!
- **Stellar Grant Steward – Gillian Dutton**, Director of Externship Program and Associate Professor of Lawyering Skills, School of Law
Congratulations Professor Dutton for effectively managing her complex grant, Transitional Justice Legal Exchange, involving international collaborators, resulting in an invitation to apply for additional funding from the Aspen Institute!

- **Motivated Team – Department of Kinesiology**

Congratulations on their FY22 sponsored projects accomplishments including six proposal submissions, four new grant awards, three faculty principal investigators (two first-time), and one student award!

Please visit our [OSP Celebrating 2021-22 website](#) to view more sponsored projects highlights, including all proposals submitted and awards received in the past year!

Help the OSP Plan for the Coming Year!

Please help the OSP to understand how our services currently support your scholarship, and how we can improve them to most effectively support you in pursuing external funding and managing awards by taking our [3-4 minute OSP End of the Year Survey](#)! Your insights will also help us to develop programming for AY22-23 and beyond. Thank you!

OSP Resources to Support your Summer Scholarship

OSP encourages faculty and staff interested in pursuing external funding in support of their scholarship to make use of the wealth of resources available on [our website](#) and on [our Events and Workshops Materials Archive](#) this summer. Resources are available to support multiple dimensions of your scholarship, as outlined below:

Identifying Funding Opportunities

GrantForward Database: OSP encourages faculty to explore [GrantForward](#), a funding opportunity database and recommendation service available to all members of the SU community. GrantForward has many helpful features, including a dynamic search engine with customizable filters and mechanisms for developing regular funding alerts that are sent directly to you on a regular basis of your choosing. An overview about GrantForward with instructions for getting started is available [here](#), with additional step-by-step guides available [here](#). If you would like OSP support in setting up your GrantForward profile, [complete this brief form](#) and/or [reach out to OSP](#).

Funding Opportunity Screening Worksheet: Once you've identified a potential funding opportunity, use [this screening worksheet](#) developed specifically for SU grant seekers to assist in determining its fit with your research agenda.

Research Development and Proposal Writing Resources

Developing a Research Roadmap: OSP has a variety of resources available to support you in developing a 'roadmap' and funding plan that maps research interests, capacities, and potential funding opportunities to identify pathways for achieving near-and long-term goals. Materials, including a [resource sheet](#), and [Research Roadmap](#) and [5-Year Funding Plan](#) templates, are available [here](#).

Essentials of Proposal Development: Grant-seekers interested in learning more about positioning oneself for successful proposal writing – including critically reviewing funding announcements, developing project aims that respond to sponsor objectives, strategically conceptualizing projects, crafting compelling proposal narratives, and tips for using language effectively – are encouraged to make use of the many resources available [here](#), including [Resource Sheet](#), [Pro-tips from grants-active SU faculty](#), and brief '[Grant-writing Cheat Sheet](#).'

Developing a Grant Proposal Budget: A number of resources available [here](#) provide support in developing this often overlooked component of a proposal, including a [sample budget](#), [sample budget justification](#), and [Resource Sheet](#).

Federal Agency Proposal Resources: Are you planning to submit a proposal to the National Science Foundation (NSF) or National Institutes of Health (NIH), or want to become more familiar with their

proposal requirements? Visit our [NSF Proposal Guide](#) and [NIH Proposal Guide](#) to find guidance and templates on required sections of these proposals. Other excellent resources include recording and materials from our faculty learning session "[The Room Where it Happened: Insights from Grant Review Panels](#)," in which SU faculty shared their lessons learned from serving as reviewers for federal and other agencies. A recording and materials are also available from our spring 2021 info session with a [National Endowment for the Humanities \(NEH\) Program Officer](#).

Your Sponsored Research Officer is here to help!

Whether you are curious to begin exploring possible avenues of support for your work, or have an active funded research program, or [your Sponsored Research Officer](#) is available through the summer to offer their expertise and support at *all* stages of research and proposal development. Some of the ways we regularly support faculty include

- Exploring potential funding opportunities
- Early ideation and conceptualization of project aims
- Developing well-specified budgets
- Crafting compelling proposal narratives!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the Sponsored Research Officer who works with your unit:

Sarah Bricknell, MBA, CRA (bricknellsar@seattleu.edu) supports faculty and staff in Arts & Sciences, Center for Community Engagement, Education, Law, and Science & Engineering-Biology

Kara Luckey, PhD (kluckey@seattleu.edu) supports faculty and staff in Albers, Nursing, Science & Engineering (except Biology), and all Institutional Offices

New Funds Awarded

Congratulations to the below investigators who were recently awarded funding to support Seattle University research and initiatives*! With the below, SU has **88 active awards** led by **64 unique investigators** as of July 1, 2022.

Albers School of Business and Economics

Nicholas Huntington-Klein | Evaluating Researcher Decision in a Staged Peer Review Environment | *Alfred P. Sloan Foundation*

Duron Jones | Summer Business Institute 2022 | *Wells Fargo* (competitive renewal)

Center for Community Engagement

LaKesha Kimbrough | 2022-23 Washington Reading Corps AmeriCorps Member Placement | *Washington Service Corps AmeriCorps Program*

LaKesha Kimbrough | AmeriCorps Seattle University Youth Initiative Middle School Success Coordinator | *Civic Leadership and Engagement Corps Program, AmeriCorps*

LaKesha Kimbrough | Bailey Gatzert Extended Learning Program Coordinator | *Washington Service Corps AmeriCorps Program*

LaKesha Kimbrough | Seattle University Youth Initiative Washington Middle School Redhawk Academic Mentoring | *Seattle Public Schools Families, Education, Preschool and Promise Levy*

LaKesha Kimbrough | Yesler Terrace Best Start for Kids Expanded Learning Initiative | *School's Out Washington & King County Best Starts for Kids*

Aileah Slepki | Empowering Student Leaders to Live out the Sundborg Center for Community Engagement Mission | *Shinnyo-en Foundation*

College of Arts and Sciences

Jacqueline Helfgott | Seattle Police Department Micro-Community Policing Plans – Additional Community-Police Dialogues for Pre-Basic Law Enforcement Academy Training Recruits | *City of Seattle*

Carlyn Ferrari | Junior Faculty Career Enhancement Fellowship | *Institute of Citizens and Scholars*

Christina Roberts | Indigenous Peoples Institute | *Tulalip Tribes*

College of Education

Kerry Soo Von Esch | Promoting Asset-Based Science Teaching for Emergent Language Learners (PASTEL) | *University of Washington (James S. McDonnell Foundation Understanding Teacher Change and Teachers as Learners)* (renewal)

College of Nursing

Carrie Miller | Enhancing Simulation Fidelity in Nursing Education | *Hearst Foundation*

Kumhee Ro | Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows | *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation*

Mo-Kyung Sin | Blood Pressure, Amyloid β and tau, and Cerebral Amyloid Angiopathy: A Pathway for Alzheimer's Dementia Management | *National Institutes of Health*

Mo-Kyung Sin | Blood Pressure, Microinfarcts, and Dementia: A Pathway for Alzheimer's Disease Management | *National Institutes of Health* (renewal)

Pre-Collegiate Summer Programs

Tina Castillo | Seattle University AI4ALL Summer Program 2022 | *AI4ALL* (renewal)

School of Law

Gillian Dutton and **Ronald Slye** | Transitional Justice Legal Exchange Program | *Stevens Initiative (sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and administered by the Aspen Institute)* (competitive renewal)

Isabel Freitas Peres and **Lily Su** | A, B, C or D, Let's Succeed! Early Multiple-Choice Intervention as a Tool for Legal Analysis and Reasoning for Success in Law School and on the Bar Exam | *AccessLex Institute and Southern Education Foundation*

In addition to the above awardees, we would like to congratulate the **20 investigators** in Albers, Arts & Sciences, Center for Community Engagement, Education, Law, Science & Engineering, Pre-Collegiate Summer Programs, and the Provost's Office who submitted **26 proposals** this quarter!

*Note: This list comprises all new and renewed sponsored projects awarded in the fourth quarter of the current fiscal year (April 1 to June 30, 2022). For a complete list of funds awarded in previous fiscal quarters, please see past OSP Observers, [here](#).

Sponsored Project Highlights

Two faculty awarded prestigious fellowships for AY2022-23



Carlyn Ferrari, Assistant Professor of English | College of Arts & Sciences
Junior Faculty Career Enhancement Fellowship Application | *Institute of Citizens and Scholars*



Kumhee Ro, Assistant Professor of Nursing | College of Nursing
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows | *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation*

Dr. Carlyn Ferrari, Assistant Professor of English, has been named by The Institute for Citizens & Scholars as one of their Career Enhancement Fellows for the 2022-23 academic year. This highly competitive, national fellowship, funded by the Mellon Foundation and administered by Citizens & Scholars, seeks to increase the presence of minority junior faculty members and other faculty members committed to eradicating racial disparities in core fields in the arts and humanities. “This fellowship will allow me to expand my sabbatical time to focus on my current book projects on poet and civil rights activist Anne Spencer, whose poetry and prose invites us to think about the natural world from a Black woman's perspective,” says Dr. Ferrari.

Dr. Kumhee Ro was selected as a 2022 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellow, a highly-competitive program in which exceptional mid-career health professionals participate in the policy process at the federal level and use that leadership experience to improve health equity, health care, and health policy. The fellowship begins with an intensive 3-month orientation conducted by the National Academy of Medicine. Dr. Ro will devote the entirety of the 2022-23 academic year to the program. During that time, she will reside in Washington, DC and work within a Congressional office or in the Executive Branch to develop expertise in the policy process and participate in training in health equity topics, media training, coaching, and leadership development. After the Washington DC assignment, the fellows will continue to receive support to sustain their development as health policy leaders. Fellows are expected to use the experiences, leadership skills, and relationships gained through the experience to advance health care policy and equity and the national, state, and/or local levels.

Both Dr. Ferrari and Dr. Ro's fellowships will be administered by Seattle University. Other fellowship programs make awards directly to individual faculty members. OSP is aware of several recent fellowships awarded in this manner, including **Dr. Serena Chopra**, Assistant Professor of English and Creative Writing (MacDowell Fellowship), **Dr. Serena Cosgrove**, Associate Professor of International Studies (Fulbright Scholar Award) and **Dr. Michael Jaycox**, Associate Professor of Theology and Religious Studies (Lendrum Priory Library Fellowship at Durham University, UK). While OSP does not manage the fellowship awards in these cases, we are certainly available to support faculty in developing competitive proposals and exploring opportunities that leverage the work conducted during the fellowship period!

SU Policy Updates

Reminder: CITI Training Required for NSF and NIH-Funded Researchers

A reminder to SU investigators to please ensure that all personnel working on your research team – students, staff and faculty – are up-to-date on their Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Training. RCR training is required for all NSF and NIH personnel and strongly encouraged for all other researchers to uphold SU's commitment to responsible and ethical research. This training should be completed at least every four years. More information and to access the CITI Training Modules is available [here](#).

Updated: NSF/NIH Workplace Health and Safety Notification Protocol

To better align with the NIH's recent update to their [Requirements for NIH Notification of Removal or Disciplinary Action Involving Program Directors/Principal Investigators or other Senior/Key Personnel](#), the SU NSF/NIH Sexual Harassment, Other Forms of Harassment, and Sexual Assault Notification Protocol has been updated and renamed. This policy is relevant to Principal Investigators and other Senior/Key personnel funded by the NSF or NIH related to concerns about sexual harassment, bullying, retaliation, other forms of harassment, sexual assault, hostile working conditions, or any other conditions that raise a concern about workplace health and safety which may affect their employment status. Please review the fully [updated policy here](#).

Clarification on Limited Signature Authority for Sponsored Projects

Despite limited signature authority delegated to college deans, all sponsored project-related contracts and agreements must continue to be processed through the OSP consistent with the [Contract Review and Approval Policy](#). OSP will coordinate the required signatures for such contracts.

In particular, the policy articulates that all contracts and agreements related to sponsored projects – including contracts issued by SU through funding from an external sponsor or otherwise involving sponsored projects – must be processed by the OSP and may require additional review by University Counsel. Furthermore, the policy clarifies that only authorized officials may execute contracts on behalf of SU.

All externally-funded investigators leading projects that involve contracts between SU and an outside entity are advised to consult with your [Sponsored Research Officer](#) who will help in identifying the required steps.

Sponsor Policy Updates and Resources

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Research.gov required as of January 1, 2023: NSF has announced that [Research.gov](#) will be required for the preparation and submission of *all* proposals as of January 1, 2023. Proposals to most programs are currently available in Research.gov (see full list [here](#)). **NSF's old grant submission and management portal, FastLane, will be removed in January 2023.** NSF has posted additional training resources for submitting to Research.gov, including [short video tutorials](#) about setting up proposals, uploading documents, and checking for compliance with NSF formatting requirements. Of course, OSP staff are also available to support any prospective NSF investigators who are new to Research.gov.

SciENCv to be required for all NSF Biosketches and Current & Pending Support, effective January 1, 2023: NSF has released the [draft updated Proposals & Awards Policies & Procedures Guide \(PAPPG\)](#), anticipated to be effective for proposals due on or after January 1, 2023. Proposed significant changes include required use of [SciENCv](#) for preparation of Biographical Sketches and Current & Pending Support as well as changes to requirements around certifying and updating Current & Pending Support.

As always, [your Sponsored Research Officer](#) is available to help faculty understand all requirements of the NSF!

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

NIH expands notification requirements involving disciplinary action: The NIH recently released [this notice](#) regarding updates to requirements around notifying NIH of removal or other disciplinary action involving NIH-funded Principal Investigators, Program Directors, and/or other Key Personnel. This updated policy expands the circumstances in which institutions are required to notify NIH of disciplinary actions taken in regards to NIH-funded investigators. As described above, the SU [NSF/NIH Workplace Health and Safety Policy](#) has been revised in adherence to this update.

Other Programming to Support Faculty Research

National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity – Upcoming Curriculum

The [National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity](#) (NCFDD) – dedicated to advancing diversity in academia and supporting faculty in successfully navigating academic careers – provides many excellent resources, all of which are available to faculty through SU’s institutional membership. Instructions for activating your membership are [here](#). Upcoming programs that may be of interest:

5 Secrets to a Super-Productive Semester | **Thurs, June 30th** (11:00-12:00) – More information and registration [here](#)

Cultivating your Network of Mentors, Sponsors & Collaborators | **Thurs, Aug 11th** (11:00-12:30) – More information and registration [here](#)

NCFDD Discussion Panel: “What I Wished I Would Have Known as a New Full-Time Faculty Member” | **Tues, Aug 30th** (11-12:30) – More information and registration [here](#)

Fall 2022 Faculty Success “Bootcamp” Program – Registration is now open for the fall session of this popular, and by many accounts exceedingly helpful, 12-week online program designed to guide and coach tenure-track and tenured faculty in developing skills to maximize productivity while maintaining a healthy relationship to work. Session runs from **August 28th – November 19th 2022**. More information and registration [here](#); Information about program costs and approaches to covering them is [here](#).

The Office of Sponsored Projects is here to help!

We are here to support the full life-cycle of your research and scholarship – from identifying funding opportunities and creating a research plan, developing and submitting competitive proposals, and managing awards. Please reach out to us to [request a consultation](#), [notify us of your intent to apply](#) for a funding opportunity, or for [help with managing your award!](#)

Your OSP support team:



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Please direct any suggestions about how we can make the quarterly OSP Observer most useful to [Kara Luckey](#) – we welcome your thoughts!