



# OSP Observer

Winter 2022

Sponsored Projects News, Events, and Updates

Happy new year and new quarter! I hope winter break was rejuvenating and spent with people you love. There is much to look forward to this quarter, including learning from the [Antiracist Curriculum Development Cohort](#) in our WQ Lightning Talks! With the start of the new year, perhaps you are reevaluating your scholarship goals – OSP would like to remind you of [GrantForward](#), a funding opportunity database available to all SU faculty, staff and students. This resource is a simple way to begin the process of thinking about your scholarship in the context of external funding and identifying potential opportunities. Start by [setting up your researcher profile](#) so you can begin receiving funding opportunity alerts tailored to your area of expertise and interest – then [refine those results](#) to hone in on relevant funding opportunities. We invite all those interested in leveraging this excellent resource to join us for [‘Office Hours,’ when OSP staff will be on-hand to assist in getting started with GrantForward](#). Or, [contact OSP](#) for help – we are available to support your scholarship at *all* stages in your sponsored projects journey, whether actively seeking funding or beginning to position yourself for the future! We look forward to seeing you soon!

Best,  
Jenna

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## Upcoming OSP Events

### Faculty Lightning Talks: Anti-Racist Education: Curriculum Development Cohort

**Thurs, February 3<sup>rd</sup> 12:30-1:30pm** via Zoom (link provided in advance)

*Co-sponsored with the Lemieux Library and McGoldrick Learning Commons, the Office Diversity and Inclusion, and the Office of the Provost*

Join us for the winter quarter Lightning Talks! Colleagues who participated in the Pilot Initiative on Anti-Racist Education\* will present on their work in this fast-paced format. Presenters include:

- **Anna Farina** and **Estella Williamson**, College of Arts & Sciences
- **Hazel Hahn**, **Henry Kamerling**, and **Randall Souza**, College of Arts & Sciences
- **Benjamin Suriano**, Albers School of Business & Economics
- **Melissa Pico**, Student Academic Services
- **Kumhee Ro**, College of Nursing
- **Jaisy Joseph**, College of Arts & Sciences
- **Rashmi Chordiya**, College of Arts & Sciences
- **Joseph DeFilippis**, College of Arts & Sciences
- **HJ Kim** and **Sabrina Diffendaffer**, College of Nursing

Please RSVP [here](#) by Tues, February 1<sup>st</sup> and/or direct any questions to [osp@seattleu.edu](mailto:osp@seattleu.edu)

\*See the [Center for Faculty Development Programs](#) for more information on a related session, **Labor-Based Contract Grading as an Anti-Racist Pedagogical Practice**, also presented as part of the Provost's Pilot Initiative on Anti-Racist Education

## OSP Office Hours: Getting Started with GrantForward

**Tues, March 1<sup>st</sup> 12:30-1:30pm** via Zoom (<https://seattleu.zoom.us/j/98840846960>)

Co-sponsored with the Lemieux Library and McGoldrick Learning Commons

Stop by this quarter's OSP Office Hours for help getting started with [GrantForward](#), a funding search database subscription service available to all members of the SU community. After a brief tour of GrantForward's many features, OSP staff will be available in this hands-on session to assist you with setting up and optimizing your researcher profile, creating saved searches, and/or setting alerts.

Whether you are just getting started or would like to reserve dedicated time to spend with GrantForward, all are welcome to join for any portion of this hour that suits your schedule

**RSVP ([here](#)) not required**, but registrants will receive an Outlook calendar invite/reminder. Please direct any questions to [osp@seattleu.edu](mailto:osp@seattleu.edu).

## Recent OSP Events – Materials Available

### Research @ SU 101: Understanding the Resources Available to Support Scholarship at SU

OSP was pleased to host this session, which provided a robust overview of the 'landscape' of supports available to faculty in pursuing their scholarship, and in seeking external funding should they desire to do so. Resources relevant to all points of the research lifecycle were highlighted, including those provided through the OSP and across multiple offices at SU. Any faculty or staff who missed the session and either are new to SU or in need of a better understanding of how resources can support their work are encouraged to view the [recording](#) and/or [slides](#). Additional materials – including [resource sheet](#), and many other resources supporting research and proposal development, as well as grant management – are available [here](#).

### Fall Quarter Faculty Research Lightning Talks: 2021 Summer Faculty Fellows

On October 28<sup>th</sup>, the OSP, Office of the Provost, and Lemieux Library and McGoldrick Learning Commons hosted seven of the 2021 Summer Faculty Fellowship awardees, who shared the work resulting from this support. Many thanks to presenters John Armstrong (Arts & Sciences), Charisse Cowan Pitre (Education), Christie Eppler (Arts & Sciences), Jennifer Fricas (Nursing), Stephen Luckey (Science & Engineering), Aditya Mishra (Science & Engineering), and Erin Vernon (Albers). Recordings and slides from each talk are available [here](#) on Seattle University's [ScholarWorks](#).

## Reminder: GrantForward Funding Database Available to SU Community

[GrantForward](#) is a funding opportunity database and recommendation service designed specifically for academic research. 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](#). Please join our [GrantForward OSP Office Hours on Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>](#) and/or [reach out to OSP](#) if you are interested in learning more!

## New Funds Awarded

Congratulations to the below investigators who were recently awarded funding to support Seattle University research and initiatives\*!

### Center for Community Engagement

**Colina Bruce** | Seattle University Youth Initiative Redhawk Academic Mentoring Program | *Liberty Mutual and Safeco Insurance Fund* (competitive renewal)

**Colina Bruce** | Washington Campus Compact | *Western Washington University (AmeriCorps)* (competitive renewal)

**Kent Koth** | Seattle University Youth Initiative | *The Ballmer Group* (renewal)

### College of Arts and Sciences

**Rachel E. Luft** | From Transformative Practice to Transformative Movements | *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation*

### College of Education

**Cinda Johnson** | Special Education State Needs Project | *Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction* (competitive renewal)

### School of Law

**Annette Clark** | Washington Law Schools-Heritage University Collaborative-An LSAC PLUS Program | *Law School Admissions Council*

**Cindy Yeung** | Moderate Means Program | *Washington State Bar Association* (competitive renewal)

In addition to the above awardees, we would like to congratulate the **18 investigators** in Albers, Arts & Sciences, Center for Community Engagement, Law, Lemieux Library, Nursing, Science & Engineering, Law, and Provost's Office who submitted **19 proposals** this quarter!

\*Note: This list comprises all new and renewed sponsored projects awarded in the second quarter of the current fiscal year (October 1 to Dec 31, 2021). For a complete list of funds awarded in previous fiscal quarters, please see past OSP Observers, [here](#).

## Sponsored Project Highlight

### Seattle U School of Law awarded Law School Admission Council grant to create pathways to law school for Latinx and Indigenous students



**Annette Clark**, Dean and Professor of Law | School of Law

Washington Law Schools-Heritage University Collaborative-An LSAC PLUS Program | *Law School Admission Council*

Congratulations to the School of Law, under the direction of Dean Annette Clark, who led an effort to secure a grant for a program that aims to diversify the legal profession. Funded by a Law School Admission Council (LSAC) Prelaw Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program grant, the Washington Law

Schools-Heritage University Collaborative-An LSAC PLUS Program is a partnership between Washington's three law schools – Seattle University, University of Washington (UW), and Gonzaga University – and Heritage University, a private undergraduate rural college in Toppenish, Washington, near Yakima, and one of only two universities in the nation designated as both a Hispanic-Serving Institution and a Native American-Serving Non-Tribal Institution. The Collaborative aims to make a law degree more accessible to Heritage's diverse Latinx and Indigenous students from the historically underserved Central Washington region by breaking down obstacles and creating a pathway to law school.

The Collaborative's primary element will be an intensive, three-week summer program that will take place in June 2022 on Heritage University's campus. Key aspects are designed to help students envision themselves as lawyers, with a visit by several Washington Supreme Court justices, a mock law school class, roundtable discussions with leaders of minority bar associations, and modules that provide helpful information to demystify the application process and the law school experience. Students may also visit one of the Washington law schools. A shorter, follow-up program component will take place in October. Students who complete the program will receive a stipend.

The Collaborative was also developed in partnership with several legal services organizations, which first identified the critical and longstanding need for more homegrown lawyers drawn from Washington state. These organizations – which include Northwest Justice Project, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project, Columbia Legal Services, TeamChild, and the Benefits Law Center – will be integrally involved in designing and implementing the pipeline program. They will also help provide the critically important connection to the practicing bar, as well as insights on the access to justice gap in rural communities and the urgent need for lawyers who are more representative of their clients and communities.

Congratulations again to the School of Law, Dean Clark, and their many partners and collaborators for securing funding for this innovative and important program! As Dean Clark notes, "Historically, Central Washington does not have sufficient lawyers, particularly racially and ethnically diverse lawyers, to serve the legal needs of its people and the community." The new partnership enabled by this grant will "expand these students' horizons and make a legal career an achievable goal. This will also help address the critical shortage of diverse lawyers in the region, thus enhancing access to justice for the clients and communities they will serve."

*This project received funding from the Law School Admission Council (LSAC). The opinions and conclusions contained in this highlight do not necessarily reflect the position or policy of LSAC.*

## **SU Policy Updates**

### **Reminder: Current Travel Policy**

A reminder that, effective November 24, 2021, the university's [updated travel policy](#) permits all fully-vaccinated SU faculty and staff to travel for SU-related purposes, including for research. All travelers must follow CDC guidelines on [domestic](#) and [international](#) travel, as well as state-, country-, and airline-specific requirements. All faculty and staff returning from University-related or personal travel must also complete the [Safe Start Health Check](#).

### **Reminder: Distinguishing between Gifts and Grants**

Is the funding you received or are seeking a gift or grant? OSP commonly receives questions like this from faculty and staff wondering how to distinguish between a gift or a grant. In short: If the funding requires detailed financial reporting or expects completion of specific tasks or deliverables, it is likely a grant. If the funding is provided in support of a particular program, but not tied to particular expenses and with no expectation of detailed reporting, it may be a gift. These are just a few of the factors considered as part of the ['checklist' used to determine funding type](#). If there are any question as to

whether funding is a gift or grant, please [contact OSP](#) so that we can ensure proper stewardship regardless of the type of funding.

## Sponsor Policy Updates and Resources

### National Science Foundation (NSF) Policy Updates

**Fall Virtual NSF Grants Conference – Materials Available:** Recordings and slides from the NSF annual conference held October 4-8 are now available [here](#). Sessions that could be of particular interest to SU faculty include presentations by Program Officers of the following Directorates: [Biological Sciences](#), [Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences](#), [Education and Human Resources](#), [Computer and Information Science and Engineering](#), [Mathematical and Physical Sciences](#), and [Engineering](#). Sessions on [Proposal Preparation](#) and [Merit Review Process](#) may also be of interest.

**Research.gov Updates:** NSF continues to expand the types of proposals that can be submitted through the [Research.gov](#) portal (latest [here](#)) and has announced that its old grant submission and management portal, Fastlane, will be closed December 31, 2022. In anticipation of this date, all prospective NSF investigators are encouraged to submit via Research.gov when possible!

### National Institutes of Health (NIH) Updates

**New grant application forms required effective:** The NIH has released their new grant application forms (“FORMS-G”), which are required for all submissions with due dates on or after January 25th. Grants submitted prior to that date must use FORMS-G. More details are [here](#).

**2021 NIH Virtual Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration – Materials Available:** Recordings from NIH’s annual seminar designed for researchers new to NIH and grants administrators are now available [here](#). Sessions that may be of interest to SU investigators include those covering the fundamentals of NIH, grant writing, mock study section review, and the Academic Research Enhancement (AREA) award focused on institutions with little NIH support.

## Other Programming to Support Faculty Research

### Center for Faculty Development Programs

The [Center for Faculty Development](#) is hosting several [virtual workshops in winter quarter](#) as part of their regular series, all of which offer excellent opportunities for professional and personal growth. The following are particularly helpful in supporting faculty research and scholarship:

#### **Affinity Group for Faculty Parents**

**Thursdays: January 27<sup>th</sup>, February 10<sup>th</sup>, and February 24<sup>th</sup>** (1:30-2:30) | Register [here](#) for Zoom link

#### **Reimagining the ‘Impact Factor’: The Ignatian Research Paradigm Workshop Series**

**Fridays: January 28<sup>th</sup>, February 4<sup>th</sup>, and February 11<sup>th</sup>** (12:30-1:55) | Register [here](#) for Zoom link

#### **Labor-Based Contract Grading as an Anti-Racist Pedagogical Practice – Part of the Provost’s Pilot Initiative on Anti-Racist Education, co-sponsored by OSP**

**Friday, February 4<sup>th</sup>** (2:00-3:15) | Register [here](#) for Zoom link

Full descriptions of these events can be found on the [CFD website](#). Registration for all events is [here](#).

### 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:

**Every Semester Needs a Plan** | Thurs, January 13<sup>th</sup> (11-12:30) – More information and registration [here](#)

**Presumed Incompetent II: Lessons from the Struggles and Victories of Women of Color in Academia** | Thurs, January 18<sup>th</sup> (11:00-12:00) – More information and registration [here](#)

**How to Align your Time with Your Priorities** | Thurs, February 10<sup>th</sup> (11:00-12:30) – More information and registration [here](#)

**How to Develop a Daily Writing Practice** | Thurs, March 10<sup>th</sup> (11:00-12:30) – More information and registration [here](#)

**Fulbright U.S. Scholar Information Session** | Wed, March 23<sup>rd</sup> (11:00-12:00) – More information and registration [here](#) and **Fulbright U.S. Scholar Participant Discussion Panel** | Wed, March 30<sup>th</sup> (11:00-12:00) – More information and registration [here](#)

**Spring 14-Day Writing Challenge** – Registration is open for this *free* program focused on establishing a daily writing routine with the help of group accountability and specialized software. The program runs from **March 14-27**; More information and registration [here](#).

## Other Resources

**Taking the Leap: From Research Trainee to Principal Investigator** | Hanover Consulting recently facilitated this helpful webinar aimed at supporting early career faculty in transitioning from graduate or postdoctoral experiences to their first years as independent investigators. The [recording](#) and [slides](#) may be most relevant for junior SU faculty, though may be of interest to any faculty or staff directing research and program projects.

**Council on Undergraduate (CUR) Dialogues** | Investigators working with undergraduate researchers are invited to join the CUR Dialogues conference February 14-18 2022, which will support the national undergraduate research community to get started in the funding and grant process More information and registration fees are [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](#)!

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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!