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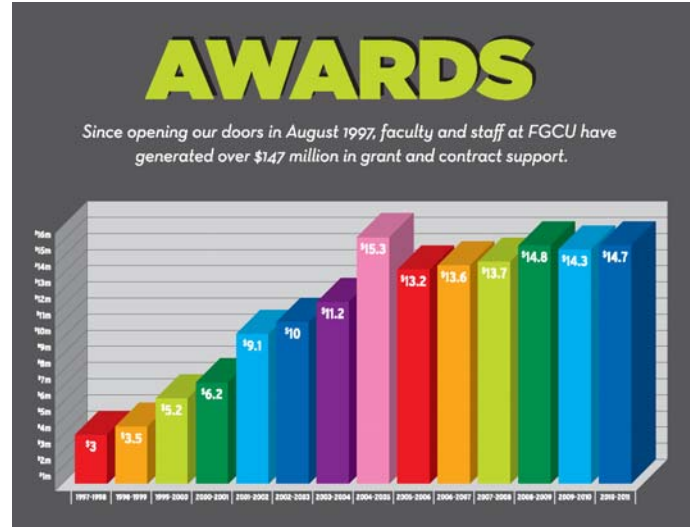
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Research Success

Although we are a relatively young university, we are already a major contender in the research arena.

We are proud to inform you that in just the first quarter of fiscal year 2011-2012 (July, August, and September 2011), we have received a total if \$3.9 Million in research awards!

You can see from the chart (right) that this exceeds the entire awards that we received in fiscal year 1997-1998 and 1998-1999.



This is quite an accomplishment and should be recognized and celebrated by the entire university community.

We thank the many faculty and their support staff for their efforts throughout the years that have made our record this impressive.
THANK YOU!!

Fellowships and Other Individual Funding



On rare occasion individuals apply for fellowships or similar awards that ORSP is not made aware of. Often times such awards are made to individuals rather than the institution, but regardless of how the proposal is submitted or how an award is made it behooves us to give credit where credit is due and to formally acknowledge such accomplishments. If you are aware of any such awards within your academic areas

please advise Tom Roberts of them so that he can follow-up with the appropriate individuals. In addition, please continue to advise colleagues that ORSP is the designated office for ALL external proposal submissions and related research and sponsored program activities. It is our desire to memorialize all proposal submissions and awards that involve FGCU faculty and staff. Please don't hesitate to contact Tom Roberts directly should you have any questions. Thank you.

Upcoming Proposal Writing Workshops

If you want to hone your proposal skills, consider these upcoming two workshops. (click on title to follow hyperlink)

November 9-10 Boca Raton, FL

[Essential Grant Skills](#)

If you want to improve your ability to win grants, you'll want:

- Fast, effective training to help you or your grants team master the most critical skills for success...
- Expert coaching from the people who set the gold standard for grants training and continue to lead the field...and
- Training that makes the absolute best use of your limited time.

December 6-7 Fort Myers, FL

[Grant Writing USA](#)

If you're ready to learn how to find and write grants you've come to the right place. Beginning and experienced grant writers from city, county and state agencies as well as nonprofits, K-12, colleges and universities are encouraged to attend. You *do not* need to work in the same profession as the host agency.

Contact Dr. Thomas Roberts in ORSP at extension 7021 or troberts@fgcu.edu if you are interested in attending either of these workshops



Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program Environmental Education Program

The Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program (CHNEP) is a partnership working to protect the natural environment from Venice to Bonita Springs to Winter Haven.

The CHNEP invites *you* to an environmental education program on Friday, December 2, 2011 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CHNEP would like *everyone* with an interest in environmental education in southwest Florida to attend in order to network, collaborate, brainstorm, and learn.

The free program will be held at the FGCU Herald Court Centre located at 117 Herald Court, Suite 211, Punta Gorda.

The CHNEP is a committee-driven organization to implement a 20-year plan, known as the *Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP)*, to protect estuaries and their watersheds.

The CHNEP area of focus includes Charlotte, DeSoto, Hardee, Lee, Manatee, Polk and Sarasota counties. The December 2 program is an opportunity to further environmental education in the CHNEP study area.



Please register before Monday, November 21
by completing the online form at www.CHNEP.org/

Next Stop on the Tour of the ORSP Website

Last month we featured our new section on the ORSP website; we hope that you took a moment check it out and view a few abstracts of funded proposals.



This month we would like to direct your attention to the **Funding Resources** Section of the website. There is a wealth of information to be found here—beginning with the instructions for setting up your Research Profile.

You will also find a variety of searchable funding databases, links to several federal agencies who offer funding programs, foundations, states sources, and other resources.

ORSP Services for Proposal Preparation & Submission

ORSP offers a multitude of services to assist you in preparing and submitting grant applications. Please ask us to assist in developing your budget.

If we do so, we will complete the proposal's budget forms, thereby saving you much frustration and time. We ensure all the required forms are attached and that your proposal is compliant with the specifications outlined in the RFP/RFA. **ORSP needs to receive your completed proposal package three business days** (four business days for grants.gov) **before the submission deadline.** If ORSP receives the completed proposal with less than the three (or four) business days' lead time, we cannot guarantee that the proposal will be submitted.



FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

There are many funding opportunities that come into our office that we share with the FGCU community. There are a couple of methods for disseminating the opportunities. The first is through targeted emails. In order to reduce the volume of messages that are received by our faculty members, we assess each opportunity to determine the scope and topic of the project.

This is where your key words, provided to ORSP as research interests in your GENIUS/SMARTS profiles are best utilized. Using the key words from the announcement, we are able to search our database for matches—sending the announcement to only the faculty we think may be interested in applying.

What? You have not yet provided key words to ORSP? If you would like to start receiving targeted email announcements, please contact Donna Stremke at 590-7029 or dstremke@fgcu.edu to schedule a time to set up your profile.

The second method of disseminating opportunities is through a special announcement in our monthly newsletter. Please see an example of such an opportunity on the next page.. If you are interested in learning more about this or submitting a proposal in response to this announcement, please contact Meredith Ingram at mingram@fgcu.edu or 590-7027.

Limited Submission Opportunity

Last month we featured a funding opportunity, **Sustainable Energy Pathways**, offered by NSF.

This is a **limited submission** program; FGCU is eligible to submit a total of three proposals in response to this opportunity. For this reason, if you intend to submit a proposal to this program announcement, you must first send an email to Dr. Roberts to express interest, prior to November 11, 2011.

If ORSP receives more than three such messages, potential PIs will be required to submit abstracts prior to November 14 as well as make oral presentations to the G & R Team on December 1, 2011 at 1:30 in HE 109.

NSF supports construction, conversion, acquisition, and operation of major shared-use oceanographic facilities. The University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System (UNOLS) schedules these facilities and expeditionary programs.

This program supports expensive facilities that are necessary for NSF-funded research and training of oceanographers. Examples of these facilities are ships, submarines, large shipboard equipment, and shared-use instruments to collect and analyze data. NSF encourages local contributions from nonfederal funds; however, there is no fixed requirement for institutional contributions.

National Science Foundation Oceanographic Centers Facilities and Equipment

Due Dates

Oceanographic Technical Services

Full Proposal Target Date:
November 15, 2011
November 15, Annually Thereafter

Shipboard Scientific Support Equipment

Full Proposal Target Date:
December 1, 2011
December 1, Annually Thereafter

Ocean Technology and Interdisciplinary Coordination

Full Proposal Target Date:
February 15, 2012
February 15, Annually Thereafter

Ocean Technology and Interdisciplinary Coordination

Full Proposal Target Date:
August 15, 2012
August 15, Annually Thereafter

Oceanographic Instrumentation

Full Proposal Target Date:
October 15, 2012
October 15, Annually Thereafter

Ship Operations Program

Full Proposal Target Date:
November 1, 2012
November 1, Annually Thereafter

ORSP Travel Awards Programs

Student Travel Awards Program

ORSP supports enrolled FGCU students by providing funds on a first-come, first-serve basis so they can present their scholarly works at conferences. ORSP staff will assist the students with the necessary paperwork, both before and after the travel. Within 30 days of travel completion, all awardees are required to submit a one-page report to ORSP describing the benefit of the award and the overall experience. Awardees are required to participate in Research Day in April. The guidelines and application form are at: <http://www.fgcu.edu/orsp/internalPrograms.html>

Faculty Travel Awards Program

ORSP provides travel awards up to \$1,000 for faculty to attend technical workshops or other related activities for the purpose of increasing chances of obtaining a grant. The trip must result in a proposal submission through ORSP. The application consists of the following items: a 50-100 word abstract of the proposed project; workshop information or the specific purpose of the trip; and an estimated budget for travel expenses. Guidelines and application are at: <http://www.fgcu.edu/orsp/internalPrograms.html>

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Office of Research and Sponsored Programs

The ORSP is a service-oriented office and is the designated central clearing-house for *all* external proposal submissions and related research and sponsored program activities. We understand and appreciate the many barriers that are often associated with engaging in research and sponsored programs. In an effort to combat these barriers we have created an infrastructure that is service oriented, knowledgeable, and eager to work with you. Please visit us to learn more about our numerous programs, explore our funding source library, inquire about our travel awards, or work on a proposal without interruption. You can count on us to assist you from the beginning to the end of your efforts to secure external funding.

**Get to know the personnel of the Office of
Research and Sponsored Programs**

As a special addition to our monthly newsletter, we want to introduce the personnel in our office. To kick off this section, please meet the newest member of our team, Meredith Ingram.

Meredith began her career at FGCU in March of 2011 as the Pre-Award Grants Specialist. Prior to joining our team, she served as the Grants and Contracts Specialist in the School of Social Work for the University of Michigan.

In this role she served as both the pre-award and post-award point

of contact for her faculty members, giving her important insight into how the budget that is prepared in the pre-award phase translates into actual grant funds once the project is awarded.

Meredith is located in 107 Holmes Engineering Hall and is available as-

ist you in all of your proposal preparation needs. If you have not yet met Meredith, please feel free to stop in and introduce yourself.

