

[HHS Faculty] Updates from the HHS Office of Research

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Dear Colleagues,

The following topics are addressed in this email.

- 1. Final opportunity to provide feedback on our mission statement (survey link)
- 2. Tiffany Wright is currently acting as HHS Grants Specialist in OSP (no longer Kim Littlefield)
- 3. Seeking information on research-related concerts re ITS changes (survey link)
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 - Rand Faculty Leaders Program
 - Community Engaged Writing Retreat, Michigan State

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1. Final opportunity to provide feedback on our mission statement (survey link)

Since my last email, the revised mission statement for our office has been reviewed by the HHS Research advisory committee and department chairs. The statement has been endorsed with one edit as noted below in red. This is the final opportunity for HHS faculty to share feedback via this google form. Our goal is to adopt/publicize the new mission statement by the end of September.

<u>Current:</u> The School of Health and Human Sciences Office of Research's mission is to provide exceptional unit-based support services that equitably facilitate faculty success with research development, grant submission and management, and scholarly productivity.

<u>Proposed:</u> The mission of the School of Health and Human Sciences Office of Research is to provide exceptional unitbased support services that equitably: (1) facilitate success with external grant/contract submission and management; (2) disseminate information about research-related policies, systems, and opportunities within the school, university and beyond; and (3) generate and manage resources designed to support faculty excellence in research and scholarship. (suggested edit from HHS Research Advisory Committee)

2. Tiffany Wright is currently acting as HHS Grants Specialist in OSP (no longer Kim Littlefield)

Kim Littlefield continues as the interim director of the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP). She has been serving also as the HHS Grant Specialist (Angela Boseman's former role) since April. Effective last week, Tiffany Wright is our acting Grant Specialist--meaning she is the primary OSP contact for grant submissions, grant reporting, etc. Our office has an excellent working relationship with Tiffany who also serves as the Grant Budget Specialist in OSP. We had a transition meeting with her last week and are confident we will work effectively to meet the needs of our faculty. If you are ever uncertain who to reach out to for various tasks, please email any of our staff. We will continue to alert you as there are personnel changes that impact HHS grant seekers/recipients. I am also happy to report that OSP has hired another grant specialist who is being on boarded now. I have admired how OSP staff have worked together to handle this period of limited personnel and am so glad to see a better balance being restored. This is a very positive step!

3. Seeking information on research-related concerts re ITS changes

I know faculty and staff are concerned about the ITS changes announced last week (Google, Box, and Zoom will no longer be available after June 30, 2023). If you have questions/concerns about the impact of these changes on your research programs/contract funded work, please let me know ASAP. Donna Heath is meeting with Associate Deans for Research/Research Advisory Committee next week and we can provide our questions in advance--**if received by this Thursday**. I will continue to compile research-related questions/needs even past this deadline and work proactively to

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share this information so appropriate solutions can be identified in advance. Special thanks to Brian Downs who is already working proactively with faculty/research personnel on solutions. He and I will be in communication with one another and university offices about these issues prior to the changes going into effect. Our focus is on anticipating problems and generating solutions. Please share your concerns/questions via this google form which both Brian and I can access. Please note, we have been told that access to Qualtrics, Adobe Creative Suite and RedCap will <u>not</u> be impacted by the service changes.

4. Research-related services in the library (attachment)

The UNCG library offers a comprehensive set of research-related services. Please see the attached list or visit the University Libraries Research Support page on the OOR website under the 'Resources' tab.

5. Opportunities that may be of interest to HHS Faculty

- Rand Faculty Leaders Program. Recently, Dr. Erica Payton-Foh (PHE) told me about a terrific fellowship she participated in this summer. The program is an "intensive, hands-on training program in policy analysis for faculty leaders aimed at building diversity in the field of public policy. It is designed for faculty members across the United States from a variety of disciplines, with an ability to integrate what they will learn to teaching, research, and mentoring of students." The program was delivered over the summer in a virtual format. A mentor was provided and participants received a stipend. This is a wonderful opportunity for faculty who are interested in integrating policy work/implications into their research and/or teaching. Dr. Payton-Foh is happy to communicate with faculty who are interested. Please see this website for more information. This organization also has many opportunities for students. I encourage you to review the website. Thank you, Dr. Payton-Foh for sharing this resource!
- Community Engaged Writing Retreat, Michigan State. Needing concentrated time and peer support to work on a product related to your community engaged research? Consider this writing retreat in Michigan occurring October 13-14. The cost is \$480. Interested faculty could apply for travel funding via our research related training mechanism to offset the cost of travel/registration. See program details here. The Michigan State University Office of Outreach and Engagement offers multiple training opportunities throughout the year. Consider bookmarking this website so you can readily check the opportunities over time.

6. Cone Health Foundation Releases New Mission Statement

HHS faculty have successfully received funding from the Cone Health Foundation in the past. Last week, they released a new mission statement. Sharing in hopes it is useful. Please note the content overlaps with the interests/expertise of many within HHS.

7. Upcoming deadlines and research related events

Application Deadlines:

Sep 20, 5 PM Community-Engaged Pathways and Partnerships (P2) Grant

Oct 2 Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award (URCA) (for spring 2023)

Oct 3, 5 PM New and Regular Faculty Research Award

Research-Related Workshops/Events

Sep 14, 12:30 RISE Networking Lunch. Have lunch with new colleagues, learn about funding opportunities, and share ideas about STEM education through a speed-

dating type format. Sponsored by the RISE Network and Sponsored Programs.NIB 120. To Register

- Sep 15, 2-3:45 Intro to Online Surveys Using Qualtrics
- Sep 20, 11 am Publishing Support in the University Libraries
- Sep 21, 4 to 5:30 Coffee, Cookies, and Community: Connecting with CFRN (Child and Family Research Network). Atrium and outdoor courtyard of the Music

Building. Please drop in, catch up, and provide some input on how CFRN can support you and your research. Bring a colleague along; we

especially hope that you will reach out to faculty who have joined UNCG over the last few years - and invite them to connect with scholars from across

campus.

Oct 4, 12:30-2 pm GROWTH Lunch N Learn, Edwards Lounge Stone Building, Presenter: Dr. Noah Lenstra, Library and Information Studies

Title: Considering public libraries as multi-generational community centers: Policy, practice, and research

Oct 20-21 Save the Date for the CWHW Speaker Series: Dr. Sonyia Richardson

Oct 20, 4- 6 pm, EUC Auditorium Public Lecture: Walking on Fire: Suicide and Racially Minoritized Adolescent Girls

Oct 21, 9:30 -11:30 am, NIB 510Workshop: Ground Zero Research and Racially Minoritized Populations: A Mixed Methods Approach

Oct 21, 12-1:30pm, NIB 510: Women's Networking Lunch (be on the look out to RSVP)

Oct 25, 1 pm Intro to Twine Twine (twinery.org) is a free, open-source tool for making interactive fiction, computer games, and new media art that can be shared or

published as HTML files; has a range of options for pedagogical creative scholarship applications.

Nov 3, 12:30-2 pm GROWTH Lunch N Learn, Edwards Lounge Stone Building, Presenter: Dr. Tyreasa Washington, Social Work, Title: TBA

Nov 30, 2pm Research Data Management Planning Very relevant to NIHs new policy on data sharing and data management that will go into effect in Jan 2023

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