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Research Townhall

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Sponsored Project Staff Updates

- Staffing Leaving
 - Annette Hillman, post-award for CELS has retired.
 - Julia Iacono, pre-award for Engineering, etc. has left
- Staff Joining
 - Megan Totten, pre-award CELS was hired in August 2020
 - Jean Gentile, formerly of HR, joined OSP in October 2020
 - Lisa Cragan, formerly of the Physics Dept, joined OSP in Feb 2021
- Pre-Award Contacts
 - <https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/submit-a-proposal/faq-pre-award/sponsored-projects-pre-award-college-contact/>

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Responsibilities

Tasks	PI	Dept	Dean	OSP	SCA
Proposal Preparation					
Write technical narrative	X				
Identify subcontractors and request budget and statement of work	X				
Develop budget and budget justification	X	X			
Identify need for cost sharing funds	X				
Provides approval of cost sharing requests		X	X	X	
Evaluate requests for F&A waivers or reductions		X	X	X	
Coordinate space arrangements		X	X		
Provide expert guidance on proposal preparation				X	
Complete Cayuse and route proposal for approval	X	X			
Regulatory Requirements					
Complete compliance forms: Institutional Review Board, Animal Care and Use, Institutional Biosafety Committee	X	X			

- <https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/files/Roles-and-Responsibilities-Matrix-2.13.20.pdf>

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InfoEd Updates

- The Proposal Development (PD) module is active now.
- OSP is providing training and office hours -
<https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/infoed-era-system/>
- Weekly emails on Research-L regarding new training opportunities, etc.
- Be aware that faculty submitting proposals will need to learn to access system to at a minimum review the eTransmittal form and certify the proposal during routing
- **OSP is requesting the proposals be submitted at least 5 days prior to deadline (OSP will be submitting all proposals the latest by 4:30 pm the day of the deadline)**

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InfoEd Updates

- **Delegates** – If you want a delegate for preparing proposals, please email Franca (franca@uri.edu)
- **As of March 31, 2021, Cayuse will no longer be operational.**
Sponsored Projects that will be downloading complete PDF versions of all proposals from 2018 to current. If you would like to download proposals for your own records, we have created a short guide on how to download proposals -
 - <https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/infoed-era-system/infoed-frequently-asked-questions/>
- Currently working on post-award module development
- Conflict of Interest module is next up

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Sponsored Project Office Data

- URI submits on average 45 proposals per month
- OSP receives on average 65 new “transactions” a month (e.g., new awards, no cost extensions, increases)
 - This figure is trending higher...
- Median time from Notice of Award to PeopleSoft setup is 7 days
 - This includes time extensions and increases which may require less than 7 days and new awards with ORI review that require more than 7 days
 - This figure is trending lower

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Sponsored Project Office Updates

- Post-Award
 - 90-day memos for late EAFs
 - Indicate where the effort was expended; reason for delay; future process correction
 - Program Report vs Financial Reports
 - If stating any type of financial information in progress reports, make sure to confirm with post-award
 - Please review BRR and Requisitions carefully before submitting



Sponsor and Cost Accounting Updates

- Overview Sponsored & Cost Accounting
- Research billing, collections, reporting
- Final invoice, report, closeout

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Research Integrity Updates

- Human Subject Research
 - Closing older IRB protocols before InfoEd implementation
 - Pls may submit **Appendix U – Final Report** to close any protocol

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Export Controls

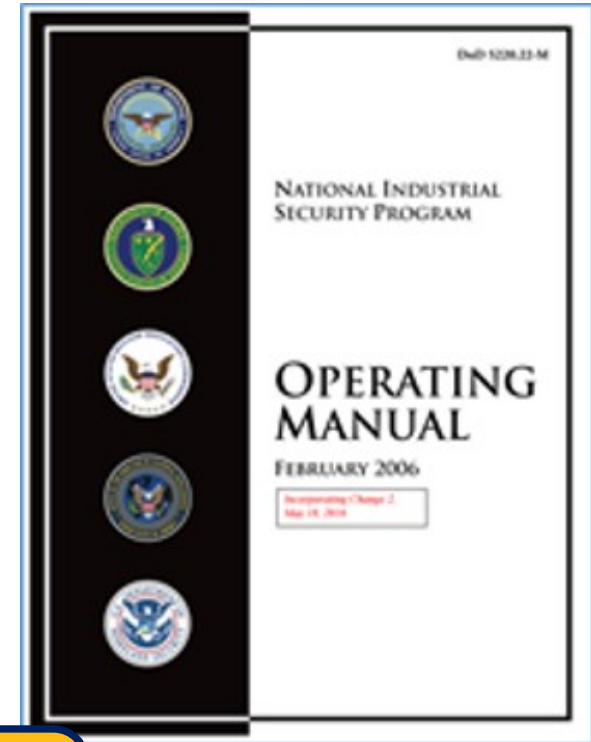
- Deemed Exports
 - **Deemed exports** - transfer or release of technical data or information subject to U.S. export controls to a foreign national, even in the U.S.
 - This type of exchange is “deemed” an export from the U.S. to the home country of the foreign national).
 - At universities, this issue arises most frequently in connection with the participation of international researchers or collaborators, including students, faculty, and exchange visitors, in projects involving export-controlled technology.
- New Export Control Manual
- <https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/office-of-research-integrity/export-controls/export-control-resources/>

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URI Facility Security Office

- Role in Research
 - Assist researchers with the personnel clearance process required on some federally sponsored projects.
 - Assist researchers with citizenship verification and training requirements for those projects requiring access to controlled unclassified information (CUI).



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COVID-19 Updates

- Continue to recommend staff/faculty coming to campus get tested at least twice a month
- Review of research operations
- All current in-person HSR require an approved **COVID-19 Risk Safety Plan**

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Questions?

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