

Research and Creative Activities

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Competitive grants

- Continuing with Proposal Development & Career Enhancement grants
 - 200K total, PD awards 1K – 25K, CE awards 1K-15K
- Timing – (moving a bit earlier this year)
 - November - final RFP and open call
 - Jan 25th – Due date
 - February – Reviews
 - March – Recommendations to VPR
 - April – Announcements
- Potential refinements this year
 - Reviews mostly done by the RCA committee, coordinating lots of externals was a mess
 - Sample templates for applicants with evaluation weightings
 - Closer look at the consistency of the reviews

Centers review

- The mess
 - Look at the review done last year
 - There are lots of inconsistencies with existing functional centers and other less functional zombie centers
 - Propose some changes based on new definitions
- The future
 - Look at new UM definitions for Centers and Institutes, starting with a draft from the VPR and Provost
 - Issues
 - Reporting. Report what, to who, when?
 - Centers list in the manual or not?
 - Benefits / cost for being in the manual, or not being in the manual
 - Maintenance of the Centers list, and enforcement of the new rules
 - Non research centers

Overhead distribution

- Clarify the RCA role in the review of overhead distribution
 - Set better expectations for the report to the FS
 - Work with Controller to generate a summary report
 - Current reporting does not seem useful for the average interested or uninterested person
- Update language in the Manual, sections 10.72.XX
 - Current dates are not feasible, and don't match the actual process