Oklahoma Arts Council (OAC) Major Grant Support Program

This program offers awards to maintain or to strengthen arts programs provided to the public, including outreach to underserved populations. The Major Grant Support category provides matching funds for an organization's arts related projects for the year. OU is allowed to submit five (5) projects to the OAC Major Grant Support Program. If a faculty member plans to develop a proposal for this solicitation, an online notice-of-intent needs to be completed by December 2, 2013. See http://crpde.ou.edu/node/1208 for more information.

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Art Works Grant Program

The Arts Endowment supports projects that provide opportunities for youth, educators, and community leaders to gain in-depth arts education knowledge and skills in the arts. They are also interested in projects that have significant potential to be shared and/or replicated, or are likely to lead to innovation in arts learning, instruction, and assessment. OU is allowed to submit one (1) project to the NEA Art Works Grant Program. If a faculty member plans to develop a proposal for this solicitation, an online notice-of-intent needs to be completed by January 10, 2014. See http://crpde.ou.edu/node/818 for more information.

Faculty Investment Program (FIP) update

The Faculty Investment Program (FIP), an internal funding program, provides funding on a competitive basis to develop and expand the scholarly activities of Norman campus researchers. Ultimately, FIP is expected to enhance the national and international reputation of the University of Oklahoma via excellence in scholarship (http://vpr-norman.ou.edu/research-council/funding/fip). The new submission process requires that proposals to the FIP must be submitted electronically as a single PDF file, using the online submission form found at http://crpde.ou.edu/form/fip by the 15th of the month (or the following Monday if the 15th falls on the weekend) and will be reviewed at the Council meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the following month.

Planning for Research Funding

To summarize Suze Orman, "Thoughtful planning can easily take a backseat to daily life." Faculty have found it useful to spend time with CRPDE to map out their research development goals, particularly in anticipation of new research initiatives or external funding opportunities. We can serve as a sounding board, a resource to identify possible collaborators or funding options, or even a way to check in on progress toward goals or a timeline. Spring and summer offer numerous grant and fellowship opportunities. We invite you to visit with us to explore and discuss opportunities, firm up plans, to pursue them. Appointments are available by contacting crpde@ou.edu.