

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

**1. UPDATED RULES ON INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY DISCLOSURES IN FEDERALLY SPONSORED PROJECTS**

**INFORMATION FOR FACULTY WITH FEDERALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH AND INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS**

UC Davis highly values and encourages international collaborations and engagement as evidenced by our Global Affairs programs and support of our international students and faculty. In response to heightened federal attention related to foreign influence in research, Chancellor May issued an April 2019 letter to the university community stating “our international relationships and collaborations form an essential part of our commitment to diversity and inclusion.” <https://leadership.ucdavis.edu/news/reaffirming-commitment-our-international-community> The University continues to encourage international collaborations. Given federal enforcement activity in this area, we write to advise you of new resources and guidance to assist you with compliance.

Federal sponsors have recently issued guidance with the primary objective of ensuring that researchers disclose research activities involving international entities, foreign scholars, foreign students, and teleworking from an international location in their grant and contract applications and progress reports. Reportable activities include international funding, use of foreign laboratories or equipment, and international collaborations, appointments and affiliations. Updates are required with annual or interim reports to a federal sponsor and some activities require the sponsor’s prior approval. Because the federal government has stated that failure to disclose this information could result in a decision to not fund a particular project or termination of an existing award, UC Davis urges all faculty researchers to err on the side of transparency. The Sponsored Programs Office has also adopted new certification language when Principle Investigators sign and route proposals for review and submission that they have disclosed all known external activities and support within their federal application in accordance with sponsor requirements.

Links to new UC resources and additional information can be found here: <https://research.ucdavis.edu/policiescompliance/international-relationships-and-activities/>.

Additionally, UC Davis has policies in place regarding the internal reporting of potential conflicts of interest or commitment. The Office of Research oversees financial conflicts of interest related to research programs and Academic Affairs has oversight for the conflict of commitment process which would include external appointments, sabbaticals and time commitments with outside entities. The Office of Research is dedicated to support researchers with any questions they might have regarding international and outside activity reporting on their federally sponsored projects. Please contact Craig Allison for questions

regarding financial conflict of interest reporting or export controls at [ccallison@ucdavis.edu](mailto:ccallison@ucdavis.edu); Ahmad Hakim Elahi [ahakimelahi@ucdavis.edu](mailto:ahakimelahi@ucdavis.edu) regarding disclosures in federal proposals or applications or progress reports. Questions regarding conflict of commitment reporting can be sent to Danny Gray in the office of Academic Affairs ([dgray@ucdavis.edu](mailto:dgray@ucdavis.edu)) or Brent Seifert in the School of Medicine Deans office ([bjseifert@ucdavis.edu](mailto:bjseifert@ucdavis.edu)).

## 2. TIME TO DESIGNATE YOUR PREFERENCE FOR SENATE COMMITTEE SERVICE IN 2020-21

Dear Members of the Davis Division of the Academic Senate,

The Academic Senate is a crucial partner in the shared governance of UC Davis and of the University of California at large. Serving on an Academic Senate committee is one of the most important ways for you to serve our campus and influence its direction. We ask each of you to consider volunteering for service for the 2020-21 year.

“Service is expected of all faculty as part of faculty governance and plays a significant role in the merit and promotion process. Expectations are light for pre-tenured faculty but increase with rank and seniority. Faculty are expected to provide both university and professional or community service. Service at the professional and/or community level does not substitute for service to the university except in extraordinary circumstances. Service at all levels is expected and will be necessary for advancement, particularly in the higher ranks (e.g., promotion to Full Professor, merit to Full Professor VI, merit to Professor Above Scale) in which substantial service balanced among department, campus, and national-professional contributions is required. Faculty at the higher ranks are expected to show significant leadership with respect to their service contributions.” - Committee on Academic Personnel, Oversight Subcommittee (CAP).

The 2020-21 Preference of Service form is available here:

[https://asis.ucdavis.edu/committee\\_v2/volunteer.cfm](https://asis.ucdavis.edu/committee_v2/volunteer.cfm) (click “Login” to enter your credentials). The form is interactive, permitting you to rank and submit your choices. Please indicate at least five preferences for committee service, and please confirm via the form that you will be available to serve throughout the 2020-21 year. All who are interesting in serving, whether new volunteers or current committee members (who wish to be considered for reappointment), must submit the form.

Please submit your form by **Tuesday, February 4, 2020.**

## 3. UC DAVIS NURSING RECEIVES GRANT FOR NEW FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

UC Davis today announced a \$37.5 million grant from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation to launch the Betty Irene Moore Fellowship Program for Nurse Leaders and Innovators at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis. This new fellowship program recognizes early-career nursing scholars and innovators with a high potential to accelerate leadership in nursing-science research, practice, education, policy and entrepreneurship.

This three-year fellowship program will engage promising nurse scholars in a journey of leadership development and mentorship to complete an innovative project or study. Each fellow will receive a total of \$450,000 over three years to support their work. The program will feature a curriculum designed to develop leadership and innovation capacity, to

strengthen strategic thinking and collaborative skills and propel innovative ideas to fruition. Recruitment begins in early January with the first cohort of fellows named by Spring 2020.

More information on the application process will be announced January 2020.

#### **4. CELLULAR THERAPY TRAINING PROGRAM CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

The UC Davis Stem Cell Program is pleased to announce a new opportunity, funded by the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) through the Alpha Stem Cell Clinic Award. This is a call for applications for cell therapy/regenerative medicine fellowships for M.D.s and is closely aligned with the UC Davis Clinical and Translational Science Center (CTSC) Mentored Clinical Research Training Program (MC RTP). The new Cellular Therapy Training Program is part of an integrated approach by the UC Davis Stem Cell Program, CIRM, and the UC Davis CTSC to advance human health by providing education and training to junior investigators to become competent in conducting clinical trials involving the administration of Cellular Therapy Products.

For more information please review attachment.



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#### **THE FRI INVITES PROPOSALS FOR THE FEMINIST FUTURES RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM**

The Feminist Research Institute (FRI) invites presentation proposals from UCD graduate students, junior faculty, adjuncts, and independent and visiting scholars for the Feminist Futures Research Symposium to be held on January 23, 2020 from 1-6pm. Organized around FRI's 2019-2020 theme "Feminist Futures," the symposium invites research from across the social sciences, humanities, law, and STEM fields. Keynote speakers will be [Alisa Bierria](#) (Philosophy, Stanford University) and [Kara Keeling](#) (Cinema and Media Studies, University of Chicago).

Proposals are due Friday, November 8th. Please visit our [website for more details](#).

#### **6. 2019-2020 SOM ACADEMIC PERSONNEL DEADLINES**

The following deadlines have been established for submission of review dossiers to the School of Medicine Dean's Office, Academic Personnel.

**FACULTY:** Please inform your Department or Academic Personnel if you need an extension!

**December 16, 2019**      Merits/Appraisals

**January 20, 2020**      First normal merit(s) after Appointment or Promotion

**7. NEW DATES! SUPPORTING EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE IN DIVERSITY (SEED) TRAINING**

- Friday, January 17, 2020 | 12:30 – 4:30pm  
To automatically register yourself [CLICK HERE](#)
- Tuesday, February 18, 2020 | 1:00 – 5:00pm (DAVIS campus)  
To automatically register yourself [CLICK HERE](#)
- Friday, March 13, 2020 | 12:30 – 4:30pm  
To automatically register yourself [CLICK HERE](#)