CUR Dialogues 2020 Program Summary

Advancing Future Research: Strategies for Long-Term Sustainability

Thursday, February 13, 2020

Registration: 2-5 p.m.

Opening Plenary (4-5 p.m.):
“The Long and Moving Arc of a Research Career” (Reception and networking will follow the plenary session)

Pre-Conference Session: 2:30-4:30 p.m.
CUR Dialogues, SPO/CFR Staff & Refreshments - In response to comments at CUR Dialogues in 2019, Sidney Johnston is hosting this pre-conference session designed to support both new and seasoned sponsored programs (SPO) and corporate and foundation (CFR) professionals. Sidney is the liaison between CUR and the College of Liberal Arts Sponsored Programs (CLASP) and serves as the Assistant Director of Grants & Sponsored Research at Stetson University. Come gather around refreshments to chat and discuss creative ways to support faculty at CUR Dialogues, explore ways to support CUR’s mission, and meet new friends and re-unite with your colleagues in this informal pre-conference session.

Friday, February 14, 2020

Plenary II (8:30-9:30 a.m.):
• Institutional Transformation: Why, What, and How: Gates Foundation Perspectives
• The HHMI Science Education Alliance - Engaging Undergraduates in Course-based Research
  – These two sessions will run simultaneously.

Breakout Session 1: 9:45-10:45 a.m.:
ATRD and ISD Program - Department of Education, OPE/IFLE
Department of Education-IES
IMLS
NIH INBRE - IDeA
NSF-BIO
USDA NIFA
Writing Competitive Research Grant Proposals (note: will be continued through session 2)

Breakout Session 2: 11-noon:
Fulbright Specialist Program
NEH- Division of Education Programs
NIH- NINR

1 All information shown in the summary is current as of January 3, 2020, and represents all confirmed presenters. Glossary of terms may be found on the last page of this document.
NIST
NSF EHR/DUE Robert Noyce Scholars Writing Competitive Research Grant Proposals
How to Raise Funds for UR: Deans' Perspectives
Writing Competitive Research Grant Proposals (note: continuation from session 1)

Noon to 1:30 p.m.: Lunch and networking

Breakout Session 3: 1:30-2:30 p.m.:
AERA
DOE Workforce Development for Students and Teachers (WDTS)
NIH/Bridges to the Baccalaureate/Doctorate
NOAA
NSF Funding for Community and Technical Colleges
NSF GRFP
NSF Mock Panel - Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) (note: will be continued through session 4)

Breakout Session 4: 2:45-3:45 p.m.:
Rethinking the Use of National Scholarship Competitions to Promote Student Success
“How to Talk with Your Dean”
NEH Digital Humanities
NEH-Research Funding
NSF Mock Panel - Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) (note: continuation from session 3)
STEM Education in 2026 and Beyond
Summer Team Impact Grants

Plenary III (4-5 p.m.):
“Succeeding as a Teacher-Scholar at a Predominantly Undergraduate Institution (PUI)” (Reception and networking will follow the plenary)

Saturday, February 15, 2020

Breakout Session 5: 8:30-9:30 a.m.:
NSF Mock Panel – Mock IUSE and S-STEM Panel (note: will be continued through session 6)
NSF MRI
“Optimizing the Working Relationships between Faculty Researchers and Sponsored Programs Staff”

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2 The “Beyond the Basics” and the “Introduction to Beginning-a-Research Program” post-conference grant-writing workshops will begin following the closing plenary on Saturday, February 15, and end on Sunday, February 16.
Breakout Session 6: 9:45-10:45 a.m.:

“Developing Private Foundation Funding for Your Research Support”

NSF Mock Panel – Mock IUSE and S-STEM Panel (note: continuation from session 5)

NSF RUI

Closing Plenary (11 to noon):
• Advancing Future Research: Advocacy in the 116th Congress
• Assessment of Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity: Logic Models and Analyses Aligning with Federal Funding Requirements
  – These two sessions will run simultaneously.

Post-conference workshop offerings (a separate registration is required):

CUR Beyond-the-Basics (BTB) – February 15-16, 2020
This workshop is designed to provide insight into crafting more competitive research grant proposals. Anyone who expects some day to be writing grant proposals or assisting others who are writing grant proposals will benefit from the activities at this workshop. The workshop will help faculty members who have submitted grant proposals but have not yet been successful in securing funding. The workshop will help faculty members in the planning stages in refining their ideas and presentation to enhance their odds of obtaining funding. The workshop will be helpful to individuals in grants offices who work with faculty during the proposal submission process. Faculty participants will submit a 1-page summary of their intended project and will be given direct feedback on strengthening the case for funding of their project.

CUR Introduction to Beginning-a-Research Program (iBRP) – February 15-16, 2020
This 1.5-day workshop is focused on the earliest steps of starting up a research program. Topics include selecting and managing research students, applying the best strategies for time management, and infusing a research program into the curriculum. Participants will attend plenary sessions and work individually and in small groups with a mentor/facilitator to develop short- and long-term goals for establishing a sustainable research program with undergraduate collaborators. The workshop is ideal for faculty members new to management of a research program or who wish to revamp a research program from scratch. Faculty participants will leave with a strategic plan and will receive long-term mentoring from their facilitator and other members of their disciplinary-based group.

For more information or to register, visit: https://www.cur.org/what/events/conferences/dialogues/2020/
✓ Other sessions may be added, check back often.

Glossary:
AERA – American Educational Research Association
ACS – American Chemical Society
COE – Council on Opportunity in Education
DOE – Department of Energy
GAANN – Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need
IFLE – International and Foreign Language Education
IMLS – Institute of Museum and Library Services
NEA-National Endowment for the Arts
NEH-National Endowment for the Humanities
NICHD – National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
NIH-National Institutes of Health
NIHR – National Institute of Nursing Research
NIST-National Institute of Standards and Technology
NOAA-National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NSF – National Science Foundation
PRF – Petroleum Research Fund
USDA NIFA – U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture