

We revised the application for IUPUI center/institute status and made the new forms available on the website.

We assisted Executive Vice Chancellor Suhmane in the development and implementation of the Signature Center Initiative. Jan Froehlich, Indiana Vice Chancellor for Research, utilized the help of two committees to evaluate and rank the applications for both Signature Center status and Signature Center Funding. The two committees chosen were the IUPUI Research Committee, chaired by Simon Atkinson, and the Council of Associate Deans for Research, chaired by Jan Froehlich. Criteria were developed for evaluation of proposals.

We established an internal grant mechanism to cover the registration fee for IUPUI investigators who are interested in attending the School of Medicine-IUPUI GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP.

We advertised and promoted all of the internal grant funding mechanisms available in the IUPUI Office of Research and Sponsored Programs via school contacts, the Council of Associate Deans for Research, and the Research Enterprise e-newsletter.

We maintained a subscription to the Community of Science (COS), one of the leading global funding and expertise search tools for researchers and those involved in scholarly work. COS serves as Indiana University's primary research funding and expertise search tool. We have been instrumental in promoting its use and training faculty on how to navigate the system.

Evidence of Progress for 2006-2007:

The Research Support Funds Grant (RSFG) mechanism attracted 81 proposals and \$942,378 was awarded to 37 projects, 84% of which was health or life-science related.

The International Development Fund mechanism attracted 20 proposals and \$100,000 was awarded to 10 projects, 80% of which was health or life-science related.

The Research Venture Award mechanism attracted 5 proposals and \$91,080 was awarded to 4 projects, 50% of which was health or life-science related.

The NIH Roadmap Initiative Seed Grant mechanism attracted 15 proposals and \$300,000 was awarded to 5 projects, 100% of which was health or life-science related.

These results demonstrate that the Research & Sponsored Programs Office is fulfilling its mission to foster and support research in the health and life sciences on the IUPUI campus.

COS serves as Indiana University's primary research funding and expertise search tool. We have been instrumental in promoting its use on the IUPUI campus by training IUPUI faculty on how to navigate the system. The number of IUPUI investigators using COS has risen progressively over the past 4 years: 1440 users in 2002; 1582 users in 2003; 1803 users in 2004; 2034 users in 2005.

Activities planned for 2007-2008:

We will redesign the Research Development Web site to provide easy access to funding search tools and funding opportunities for IUPUI faculty.

We will continue to link faculty with external funding sources in the most efficient and effective ways.

We will continue to develop and instruct a cadre of liaisons within the schools who will help to disseminate information within their respective units/departments about external funding opportunities.

We will work with Executive Vice Chancellor Uday Suhmane to refine the process used for review and selection of Signature Centers.

We will continue to promote COS as a search tool for funding opportunities. We will provide help sessions to continue to familiarize faculty with the COS system in order to increase the number of IUPUI faculty who are COS users.

We will continue to work with IUP to expand the current database of limited submission grant opportunities and to develop a more systematic approach for disseminating information on limited submission grant opportunities.

We will continue to review the effectiveness of all internal grant funding mechanisms in the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs in order to fulfill the campus goal of doubling research and increasing focus on the health and life sciences.

We will continue to increase the pool of expert grant reviewers for all internal grant mechanisms within the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

We will continue to emphasize that all investigators responding to an internal grant mechanism within the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs must provide evidence that they have sought external funding prior to application.

We will increase emphasis on collaborative research, bridge funding, and funding for new investigators in the internal grant funding mechanisms in the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

We will establish an effective system of review and selection of newly proposed IUPUI centers and institutes using the Council of Associate Deans for Research and the IUPUI Research Committee as reviewing bodies.

We will develop a standard process and/or mechanism by which official IUPUI centers and institutes are able to report progress periodically.

④ ADMINISTRATION AND TECHNOLOGY Goal: Materials administrative, fiscal and technological efficiencies in our internal operations by utilizing our resources in a sound and conservative manner.

④ Objective: Continue to operate appropriate, compliant and efficient systems to aid in planning, budgeting and decision making and to ensure a safe and supportive work environment.

Campus Planning Theme: Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity

Sub Goals:

Sub User:

Time Frame:

Actions taken for 2006-2007:

We completed the fiscal and administrative separation of the Graduate Office from the Research and Sponsored Programs Office and assisted the Graduate Office during this transition.

We established a staff bonus plan to recognize increased responsibility of personnel in the Research and Sponsored Programs Office.

At the request of Human Resources Administration (HRA), we submitted Position Information Questionnaires (PIQs) for all our professional (PA) positions with the exception of the ones that were reviewed under the Fair Labor Standards Act (PA10 level and PA11-part time). HRA's review of these positions is part of the Compensation System Initiative (CSI) for all professional staff jobs.

Remodeling was completed on the second floor of the Union (UN) Building. Room UN201 was remodeled into a conference room, appropriately furnished and equipped with video-conferencing. Remodeling was completed on rooms UN206, UN207-213 and these rooms were assigned to the Graduate Office. The Graduate Office staff was relocated from UN 5th floor to UN 2nd floor. The Sponsored Research Services staff was relocated from the 6th floor to the 5th floor of the Union.

Procedures were implemented to decrease the response time for computer service maintenance requests.

We are assessing the strengths and weaknesses of the tracking system we now use to allow faculty to identify where a grant or contract is on the IUPUI campus.

Evidence of Progress for 2006-2007:

Fiscal activities remained efficient and timely financial budgeted data access and reporting.

Positive input was received from area directors and R&S/P staff on how their desktop and computer support needs were met.

There was continuous adherence to institutional, local, state and federal guidelines.

Activities planned for 2007-2008:

We plan to develop a system to identify specific characteristics of grants and contracts such as "health and life science initiatives" which can be used to generate research performance indicators.

We will continue to enhance current financial systems and reporting to better serve the functions of planning and decision making.

In conjunction with Human Resources Administration, we will review and assess the impact of the new University-wide Compensation System Initiative (CSI) on our professional staff.

We will continue to review and enhance current administrative processes to better respond to the needs of our staff and to be compliant with institutional, state and federal guidelines.

We will continue to perform regular monitoring and maintenance of our systems environment, server and client machines for systems updates to ensure top performance.

Desktop maintenance will be performed on a fixed and regular schedule.

We will purchase and install a new departmental file server that will at least double current storage capacity in order to respond to the file storage needs in the office.

We will perform a systems and network security analysis with the Security Office (UTS) to ensure the privacy, safety and security of institutional and constituent data.

Fiscal Health

Reallocation Plan

Other Questions(s)

1) Diversify: In the past year (July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007) what actions have you taken and what results have you achieved in retaining and graduating a diverse student body; enhancing diversity in research, scholarship, and creative activity; and recruiting, developing, and supporting diverse faculty and staff?

2) International activities: Over the past year, in what international projects and activities have your faculty, staff, and students engaged? What new efforts have been undertaken to internationalize the curriculum?