How GFCR Can Help You

Welcome to the first issue of OleGrants, a periodic newsletter for St. Olaf faculty and staff interested in pursuing grants. Helen Warren, Deb Fleming, and Melissa Flynn Hager are eager to assist anyone interested in seeking individual, collaborative, or institutional grant funding.

As Director of GFCR, Helen Warren develops and writes proposals that further institutional goals, working with the President and senior leaders, as well as faculty, to develop information and strategy. She organizes visits with foundation, corporate, and government funders to develop the case for support of the College. Also, she assists individual faculty with proposal development, including identifying possible sources of support, developing budgets, and developing proposals.

Deb Fleming, Assistant Director for Proposal Development and Submission, prepares institutional and faculty requests for funding with primary responsibility for Sponsored Research/Federal proposals. She monitors funder requirements, particularly those of the U.S. Government. A large share of her projects reside in the mathematics and sciences. She ensures that the college’s funding requests conform to funder guidelines, are accurate and complete, and are submitted successfully.

Melissa Flynn Hager, Assistant Director for Faculty Grants, supports faculty grantseeking at the college, primarily in the arts, humanities, social sciences, and interdisciplinary areas. She helps individual faculty by researching possible grant sources for them, and helps individuals and groups by writing, editing, proofreading, and submitting proposals, as needed. She reads faculty narratives with an eye to the funder guidelines, ensuring that key messages come across.
RECENT GRANTS RECEIVED:

March:
Beth Abdella, Funding for 2 student researchers in Maryland—$19,000, NIST-SURF
Matt Richey, Scientific Equipment Program—$490,000, Sherman Fairchild
Jason Engbrecht, Physics Camp for High School Girls—$25,945, Pentair Foundation
Kris MacPherson, Environmental Connections Program—$400,000, Luce Foundation
Jim McKeel: Fabrizio’s Comet Composition/Opera—$5,000, SEMAC
Tim Mahr: A Mythological Suite for Woodwind Quintet—$5,000, SEMAC
Cecilia Cornejo: Following the Skatboarders Film—$5,000, SEMAC
Kevin Crisp: Physically Decoupling Neural Record (Yr. 3 of 3)—$66,480, NSF
Gary DeKrey: Summer Stipend for Following the Levellers—$6,000, NEH

May:
Jason Menard (with Carleton): Northfield Historical App.—$67,616, MN Historical Society

June:
Piper Center: Leadership/Entrepreneurial Education—$4,000, Target Stores
Sian Muir: Case Study for Marketing 250 Class—$1,000, Target Stores
Ryota Matsuura: DRK-12—Assessing Secondary Teachers (Yr 3 of 4)—$37,260, NSF

July:
Julie Legler/Matt Richey/Paul Roback: MCTP: eCIR—Expanded CIR (Yr 4 of 5)—$332,537, NSF
Laura Listenersberger: Gel Documentation Equipment—$18,400, LI-COR
Dipa Kalyani with Gretchen Hofmeister (Carleton): MRI Equipment—$361,600, NSF
Eric Cole: IUSE:Ciliate Genomics Consortium Model—$59,505, NSF
Heidi O’Hair: Educational Talent Search (Yr 3 of 5)—$320,832, U.S. DOE
Mari Tototzintle: Upward Bound 12-17 (Yr 3 of 5)—$395,705, U.S. DOE
Kathy Glampe: Student Support Services 10-15 (Yr 5 of 5)—$255,505, U.S. DOE

August:
Julie Legler and Craig Rice: Building the 10Gbps Network for Big Data—$327,640, NSF
Peter Nelson: Stop Motion Animation Post-Production—$5,000, SEMAC
Janis Johnson and Melissa Hinderscheidt: McNair Scholars Program 12-17
(Yr 3 of 5) —$220,000, U.S. DOE

UPCOMING GRANT DEADLINES:

January—
Camargo Foundation Residency: 1/13
NEH Media Development Projects: 1/14
Princeton Library Research Grant: 1/15
Short-term Newberry Library Fellowship: 1/15
NSF Political Science Program: 1/15
AAUW Community Action Grant: 1/15
NY Public Library Short-term Research Fellowships: 1/16
NSF Major Research Instrumentation (MRI) Program: 1/22
Application cycle opens for McKnight Artist Fellowships for Visual Artists: 1/15

February—
SEMAC McKnight Individual Artist Grant: 2/1
U. of Wisconsin Grants-in-Aid for Research: 2/1
Anderson Center (MN) Arts Residency: 2/1
American Political Science Assn. Small Research Grant: 2/7
NEH Summer Seminars and Institutes (planning grants): 2/14
NIH Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA): 2/25

March—
Ucross Foundation Arts Residency: 3/1
APS Library REsident Research Fellowship: 3/2
MN Regional Arts Council “Next Step” Grant (for individual artists who live in the Twin Cities): 3/2
NEH Summer Seminars and Institutes (apply to attend on of them): 3/4
McKnight Foundaton Composer Fellowship: 3/14
NEA Creative Writing Fellowship: 3/15
McKnight Fellowship for Dancers: 3/25
Loft MN Emerging Writers Grant: sometime in March

April—
SEMAC Arts and Cultural Heritage Grant: 4/1
McKnight Theater Artist Fellowship: 4/16
NEH Fellowships for Advanced Social Science Research in Japan: 4/30
NEH Fellowships: 4/30
MN State Arts Board Arts Learning Grant: exact date not yet posted
Loft Literary Center Mentor Series Awards: exact date not yet posted

May—
MN State Arts Board Folk and Traditional Arts Grant: exact date not yet posted
MN State Arts Board Festival Support Grant: exact date not yet posted

June—
MN State Arts Board Artist Initiative Grant (literary arts: prose and poetry): exact date not yet posted
NIH Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA): 6/25