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Pitt Research News

Pitt Research Concierge Program's Proposal Editing Service

The Pitt Research Concierge Program's Proposal Editing Service provides a full range of proofreading and copyediting support for all types and sizes of externally sponsored funding proposals. This service is available to all Pitt faculty on any campus, in any school, and for any discipline.

Visit the Proposal Editing Service webpage for more information or to request editing services. If you have any questions about this service, contact Christine Barberio at pittresearchproposaleditor@pitt.edu.

Pitt Research Navigator

The Pitt Research Navigator is available to provide personalized customer service to help you more easily connect to the Pitt resources, services, and offices needed to move your research forward. This is a university-wide service that is available to faculty and research-related staff members on any campus, in any school, and for any discipline.

The Pitt Research Navigator, Stefanie Coburn, can be reached by email (pittresearchnavigator@pitt.edu) or webform. Stefanie will make every effort to respond to inquiries within one business day.

Visit the Pitt Research Navigator website for more information.

Workshop for Basic Biomedical Researchers

On August 16, 2023, the Office of Research Protections invites all new basic biomedical researchers, as well as established researchers who want to learn more about research-related offices and departments at Pitt, to addend a workshop. Faculty, staff, and trainees are welcome.

The workshop will introduce:

- Key committees involved with research oversight: IACUC and IBC
- Department of Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S)
- Division of Laboratory Animal Resources (DLAR)
- Conflict of interest and disclosure process
- Radiation safety
- Office of Sponsored Programs
- Export control, research security, and visitor policy
- Health sciences library and data management plans
- Innovation and entrepreneurship at Pitt

Register in advance to attend this hybrid workshop.

Funding Agency Updates

National Institutes of Health Update Data Management and Sharing Costs

Effective for application due dates on or after October 5, 2023, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) will no longer require the use of the single Data Management and Sharing (DMS) cost line item. Instead DMS costs should be requested in the appropriate cost category (ex: personnel, supplies, etc.). Applicants must specify estimated DMS cost details within the "Budget Justification" attachment of the R&R Budget Form or "Additional Narrative Justification" attachment of the PHS 398 Modular Budget Form, according to the instructions.

For more information, see [NIH Notice NOT-OD-23-161](#).

National Science Foundation Announces Project Report Enhancements for Datasets and Research Materials

The National Science Foundation (NSF) made enhancements to the Project Reporting System in Research.gov to enable datasets and research materials to be entered as distinct product types that are managed and reviewed separately, effective July 24, 2023.

More information can be found in the [How to Add Datasets to the NSF-PAR and NSF In-progress Project Reports](#) guide and updated [How to Remove Datasets from the NSF-PAR and In-progress Project Reports](#) guide available on the Research.gov [About Public Access](#) page.