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1. Research Project Grant Funding Rates and Principal Investigator Race and Ethnicity

Although the trend toward reduction of the NIH funding gap is gratifying, significant work remains before the NIH realizes a truly diverse scientific workforce representative of our nation. [Read More](#)

2. UT IRB Announcement: UTRMS-COI System Integration

General Info:

UTRMS-COI will replace the eProtocol FID system for disclosure of personal financial interests and outside activities. Researchers will receive an email notification to their UT inbox to complete a Disclosure Profile in the new UTRMS-COI system either when their previous FID is set to expire, or when they are included on a new IRB protocol submission, or named as a Covered Individual on a new award (new sponsored research managed through OSP) – whichever comes first.

IRB-related COI Requirements:

Exempt Research: Principal Investigators (PI) on exempt submissions are required to complete COI Research Certifications by updating their COI Disclosure Profile in UTRMS prior to an exempt determination being issued. IRB staff will confirm that the PI on exempt submissions have completed their Disclosure Profile Research Certification prior to issuing an exempt determination.

Non-Exempt Research: PIs and all research personnel identified as a “Covered Individual” by the PI will be required to complete the Disclosure Profile Research Certifications in UTRMS, confirming disclosure profiles are up to date each time they are listed on a new human subjects protocol or added via modification. IRB staff will confirm that all Covered Individuals have completed their Disclosure Profile Research Certification prior to final approval of an initial submission or a modification adding research personnel identified as “Covered Individuals.”

Currently with the implementation of the UTRMS-COI module, notifications to complete a Research Certification will go out to all research personnel; however, IRB policy will only require COI Research Certification completion for PIs and research personnel identified as Covered Individuals on non-

exempt research and PIs on exempt research submissions. The system will be updating in the fall and we appreciate your patience as we implement these new systems.

Research teams (PI, PI Proxy, Primary Contact, local research study team members, individuals on guest list) can monitor the COI Disclosure Profile Research Certification of personnel once an IRB action is submitted. Refer to the COI tab on the study action workspace to check the status of COI Research Certifications for your research team to ensure all Covered Individuals have completed their Disclosure Profile Research Certifications.

To learn more about the COI module, register for an informational webinar on the UTRMS [Launch page](#). The Launch page also provides information on where to find support and help resources, including Live Chat and Virtual Office Hours in the weeks after go-live.

Questions about the new COI module can also be sent to: coi@austin.utexas.edu

Questions regarding your IRB submission can be sent to irb@austin.utexas.edu.

Questions regarding an IRB reliance submission can be sent to irbreliance@austin.utexas.edu.

3. National Institutes of Health Extramural NEXUS

More Early-Stage Investigators Supported in FY 2021

<https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2022/07/18/more-early-stage-investigators-supported-in-fy-2021/>

Register Today for the NIH Data Management and Sharing (DMS) Policy 2-Par Webinar Series

<https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2022/07/19/register-today-for-the-nih-data-management-and-sharing-dms-policy-2-part-webinar-series/>

New NRSA Stipend/Salary FAQs

<https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2022/07/20/new-nrsa-stipend-salary-faqs/>

NIH All About Grants Podcast – Sex as a Biological Variable

<https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2022/07/21/nih-all-about-grants-podcast-sex-as-a-biological-variable/>

4. Call for Papers



Does Fort Worth Ever Cross Your Mind?

Join Us in Cowtown
for the 2023 Annual Meeting
of the Southwestern Social Science Association!

2023 Meeting Theme: Democratic Backsliding: Social Sciences on the Erosion of Democracy in the U.S. and Abroad

WHEN? March 30 — April 1, 2023

WHERE? Omni Hotel, Fort Worth, Texas

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: November 15, 2022

SUBMISSION SITE: Not Yet Available but Check Our [Website](#).

SSSA welcomes submissions from all Social Science Disciplines.

The Social Sciences encapsulate the relationships past, present, and future, which bind individuals and societies together. Come celebrate our scholarship/scholarly output and highlight the contributions we, as Social Scientists, have made and continue to make toward social transformations!

We have organized affiliates in the following disciplines: Anthropology, Economics, History, International Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Social Work, and Women's & Gender Studies. If you represent a discipline that is not listed and are interested in organizing an affiliate, we want to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Tracy L. Dietz, PhD

General Program Director

Southwestern Social Science Association

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5. Funding My Research 2022



The University of Texas at Austin
Vice President for Research,
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Join us for our annual information session to learn about UT Austin research funding opportunities available for 2022-23!

We will cover internal funding opportunities as well as best practices and tips for tracking external resources, such as foundation and government funding, in a lightning-talk format you won't want to miss.

A full program of this session will be sent to registered participants.

Event Details:

Date/Time: Wednesday, September 7, 2022, 1:00 - 2:00 PM

Location: Via Zoom

[Register Here!](#)

Questions? Contact [Liza Scarborough](#), Director of [Faculty Development](#)