RCO – Research Development

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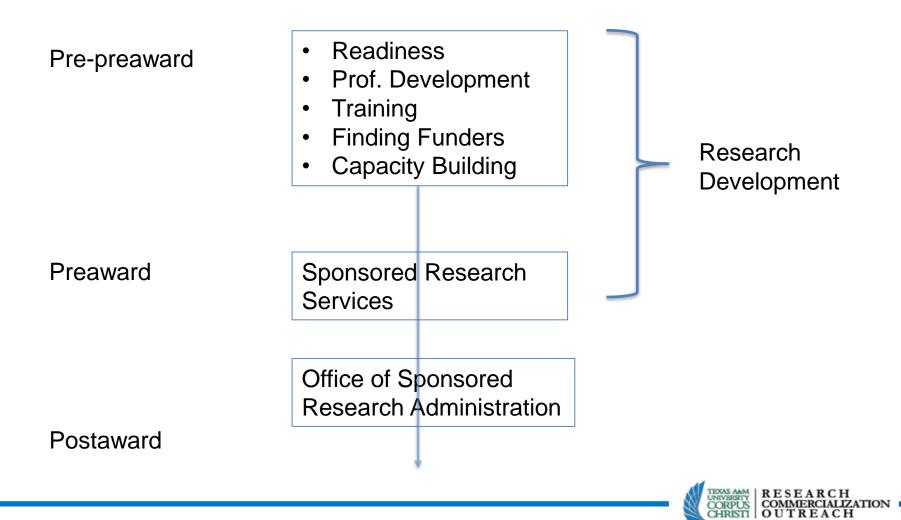


Research Development

a set of activities designed to support individuals, teams, and leadership in attracting extramural research funding, creating relationships, and increasing competitiveness to support scholarship and creative activity.



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Some features of our role here

- Our goal is to cultivate and promote a healthy research environment
- Supporting early-career faculty; large, complicated projects; and institutional initiatives are focal areas
- Some PIs (projects) may not need our help
- Ideally, RD professionals support research in all of its forms, not just funded research



Professional Development

Professional development builds capacity and competitiveness

- Faculty Research Development Program
- Annual Grant Writing Workshop
- Presentations as requested (CFE, FTSCA, Grad Studies, Department Meetings)
- Targeted funding opportunities (prestigious awards—CAREER, NEH Fellowships)
- Other workshops



Internal Funding

Programs

- Research Enhancement
- TCRF Program Grant
- TCRF Post-Doc
- Student Research Competition
- Proposal Submission and Resubmission
- Hanover Research Contract



External Funding

Process

- Subscribe to a variety of newsletters and opportunity announcement lists, mostly from federal agencies
- Share funding opportunities with listservs, faculty, leadership as appropriate
- Help faculty build connections across campus and the community
- Perform searches for faculty based on an executive summary
- Facilitate red team reviews when requested



Accomplishments

- Faculty Research Development Program, 2014-present
- NSF MRI & CAREER, NEH Fellowship, LSUASC
- Broadened participation in internal seed funding awards
- Student research competition
- Hanover research support and increased support for hiring consultants to support applicants
- Regular meetings with MARCOM to ensure campus
 research activities are well communicated



Ideas

Some of these projects are underway, others are planned as resources are available.

- Public talks from internally funded project leaders
- Measure impact of professional development and RD work a lot of variables
- Partner with people across campus to promote research in a variety of ways
 - Research awards?
 - Symposia?
 - Student engagement?
- Crunch data on internal funding and modify programs to meet strategic plan goals
- Funds for external reviewers for internal funding and limited submission programs



Questions?

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