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## Monday Matters: NSF Information

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Dear Colleagues:

In October, we hosted two visits from NSF program managers. Here is a summary of each visit:

### **Leslie Rissler:**

Dr. Leslie Rissler, Program Director in the Directorate for Biological Sciences, Division of Environmental Biology, and Evolutionary Processes Cluster, discussed NSF priorities and new initiatives, including a cross-directorate program for mid-career faculty across many disciplines. The mid-career stage is a pivotal transition period where faculty need to advance their research to ensure long-term productivity and creativity, but often face constraints due to service, teaching, and other responsibilities. The **Mid-Career Advancement (MCA)** support aims to alleviate these constraints, reduce workload inequities, and promote a more diverse scientific workforce at senior academic levels. She also talked about the pilot in BIO and GEO to require a two-page Safe and Inclusive Working Environment (SAIF) plan for off-campus or off-site research. Her presentation slides are attached.

### **Anne-Marie Schmoltner:**

Dr. Schmoltner, Program Director in the Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences, Division of Chemistry, and Environmental Chemical Sciences Program, provided an overview of NSF opportunities with a focus on MPS/CHE. She highlighted NSF priorities, CHE core programs, and high-priority research areas, including biotechnology/bioeconomy, AI/data-enabled research, and quantum information science. She also introduced new NSF programs. She talked about the importance of contacting the program manager for advice about where your proposal idea fits at NSF. Her presentation slides are attached.

**Call for Nominations for Visits from Funding Agencies:**

The insights shared during these visits have been valuable for our faculty, especially those at the junior and mid-career stages. Therefore, we would like to continue inviting program managers from NSF, NIH, DOE, NASA, and other funding agencies to visit ODU. We encourage faculty to suggest names for potential invitees by contacting Associate Dean Jingdong Mao.

Best Regards,

Gail

**Upcoming Events and Deadlines:**

**Nov. 4,** 3:30 pm; Fall 2024 Provost's spotlight, Dr. Justin Haegele, Professor and the Director of the Center for Movement, Health, & Disability (Yetiv auditorium in BAL 1012) – see attached

**Nov. 8,** 5 pm: deadline to submit proposal for ICAR seed funding; see attached.

**Nov. 15,** 4 pm: Science Friday – Speakers Dan Barshis and Balša Terzić (PSB 1100)

**Nov. 20:** Sexual Harassment Prevention Training due – see email from Title IX Coordinator on Oct. 16, 2024

**Dec. 2:** Proposal deadline for Summer Research Fellowship Program (SRFP) application – see attached

**Dec. 6,** 12 – 2 pm: COS Holiday Party (Big Blue Room)

**Dec. 14:** Proposal deadline for ONR Summer Faculty Research Program – see attached

**Dec. 31:** Last day for the [CVC Campaign](#); the deadline for payroll deduction is Dec. 13

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