Auburn University has a goal to increase its extramural support portfolio. Some of the critical steps necessary to reach this goal include: increasing faculty grant capacity; strengthening PI proposals; improving operational efficiencies; and winning competitive funding awards.

In order to provide resources for faculty and staff, Auburn University has partnered with Hanover Research for a number of grant development solutions including: Pre-proposal Support; Proposal Development; and Capacity Building. Their full-service grant development solutions are available to set goals, build strategies to achieve key grantseeking objectives, and develop grant proposals that are well-planned, researched, and written. For information regarding Hanover’s core capabilities and project time lines, click here. It is important to note that the cost of these services are paid through the Office of the Vice President for Research and Economic Development and they are therefore available to faculty at no cost!

Hanover Research’s grants professional have more than 150 years of combined experience, cumulatively securing over $200 million in awarded funds on behalf of organizations within the United States and internationally. Through its support, Hanover provides professional development (in the form of intensive skills workshops and grant writing webinars); consultative support (reviewing and aligning proposal components); and agency-specific expertise (leveraging previous agency experience from NSF, NIH, ED, and other federal funders).

Hanover has developed program-specific webinars for Auburn faculty that were developed in 2015 – one related to the NSF CAREER Program and one focusing on the NIH R15 (AREA) program. Both webinars are available for viewing on the PSFS website.

Timing is a very critical component in the utilization of Hanover’s services as the University only has the equivalent of one FTE. This means that they can only work on one project at a time, thus it is important to get added to the queue as soon as you know there is a project requiring assistance. Since January of 2015, Hanover has facilitated 16 proposal reviews and completed 7 prospecting activities for Auburn University.

If you are interested in seeking Hanover’s assistance or have questions regarding the services available, please contact Tony Ventimiglia (334-844-5954 or ventiaf@auburn.edu).