

## ***TIGER TIPS***

# ***RESOURCES FOR AUBURN RESEARCHERS***

### **Planned Changes to the NIH Biosketch**

#### ***Update to August 2014 Tiger Tips***

On Wednesday, November 26, 2014, NIH released [NOT-OD-15-024](#) confirming the required use of a new Biosketch format in applications for research grants submitted for due dates on or after January 25, 2015. However, on December 5, 2014, NIH issued a reprieve via [NOT-OD-15-032](#) which extends the required date to on or after May 25, 2015. Investigators are encouraged to move to the new format for due dates on/after January 25 (as feasible). NIH plans to remove the old format pages and samples from their web site January 25 (leaving only the most current version approved by the Office of Management and Budget), but will continue to accept the old format until May 25.

The new Biosketch format extends the page limit from four to five pages and it allows researchers to describe up to five of their most significant contributions to science along with the historical background that framed their research. Researchers can outline the central findings of prior work and the influence of those findings on the Researcher's field. Those involved with Team Science now have the opportunity to describe their specific role(s) in the work.

Each description can include a listing of up to four relevant peer-reviewed publications or other non-publication research products such as audio or video products; data and research materials; databases; educational aids or curricula; instruments or equipment; models; protocols; and software or netware that are relevant to the described publication. Researchers will also be allowed to include a link to a full list of their published work as found in a publicly available digital database such as MyBibliography or SciENCv. SciENCv is a system that allows you to enter your biographical data once and convert it into biosketches that can be used with both NIH or NSF grant applications and annual progress reports.

#### **Biographical Sketch format and samples:**

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/424/index.htm#format>

For more information on **MyBibliography**: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK53595/>

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