

Research Roundtables

1. *Auburn University's Partnership with the Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS*)*

This roundtable will discuss CCTS resources available to facilitate YOUR research (resources include: i2b2, TIERS training program, drop-in clinics, NPPs, PDQs, and mini-sabbaticals). Facilitators also will cover CCTS funding opportunities for AU investigators (examples are: TL2, KL2, CCTS pilot programs, and research vouchers).

Facilitators: Dr. Jennifer Croker (CCTS; University of Alabama at Birmingham); Dr. Richard Hansen and Dr. David Riese (Harrison School of Pharmacy); Dr. Tom Denney (Samuel Ginn College of Engineering); and Dr. Bruce Smith (College of Veterinary Medicine) (CCTS; Auburn University)

*Through a Clinical and Translational Science Award from NIH, the Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS) was established in 2008. The CCTS partner network includes 11 academic research institutions across Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. The mission of the CCTS is to "... enhance the translation of fundamental and clinical research into improvements for human health and health care delivery. By further developing a diverse, well-trained workforce in translational science, by promoting an efficient scientific infrastructure, by engaging our communities in partnership to identify challenges and create approaches to solutions, and by assuring effective use of available resources, the CCTS Partner Network will accelerate the pace of discovery to delivery across the translational spectrum." Please visit the CCTS website: <https://www.uab.edu/ccts/> for more information.

2. *Increasing Your Chances of Success in Securing NSF Funding*

This roundtable will discuss key topics for increasing funding success, including:

- Contacting program managers and staying on top of shifts in program priorities
- Dealing with the absence of deadlines
- Becoming a reviewer
- Writing a sincere and unique broader impacts section
- Dealing with rejection
- Ethics
 - Leveraging an idea to write proposals to multiple funders (good habit)
 - Taking money from multiple programs/agencies to do the same work (illegal)
- NSF Proposal Requirements - Intellectual Merit, Broader Impacts, Data Management Plan, Student/Postdoctoral Mentoring Plan
- Factors beyond Intellectual Merit/Broader Impact that influence Recommendations

Facilitators: Drs. Scott Santos (College of Sciences and Mathematics); Henry Fadamiro (College of Agriculture); and Virginia Davis (Samuel Ginn College of Engineering)

3. *Opportunities, Challenges, and Realities of Funding Your Research with the DoD*

Join three distinguished researchers (and Auburn alumni) for a frank conversation about what to expect when you pursue research work with Department of Defense commands and directorates, where non-competitive funding may be available but unadvertised, and how to avoid common missteps to increase your chances of building a successful research partnership.

Facilitators: Dr. Charles "Craig" Formby '74 (Distinguished Graduate Research Professor, University of Alabama); CAPT Michele Kane '92 (Naval Medical Research Command, San Antonio, Texas); Dr. Loraine St. Onge '98 (Research Administration Manager, Aeromedical Research Laboratory, Fort Rucker, Alabama)

4. *Advancing Research through Engaged Scholarship*

Join researchers to discuss how to engage in outreach scholarship while meeting your research objectives through an integrated view of the faculty role in which teaching, research, and service intersect. Engaged scholarship "is characterized by scholarly work tied to a faculty member's expertise, is of benefit to the external community, is visible and shared with community stakeholders, and reflects the mission of the institution."

Facilitators: Dr. Melissa Pangelinan (School of Kinesiology); Dr. Chippewa Thomas (College of Education)

5. *Strategic Plan for Auburn University Research*

Engage with the Vice President for Research and Economic Development in a dialogue about the vision for Auburn Research. Discuss directions for strategic initiatives, ways to engage academic units in synergistic activities, and opportunities to build strong relationships with external partners and funders. Participants from diverse disciplines are encouraged to attend.

Facilitator: Dr. James ("Jim") Weyhenmeyer, Vice President for Research and Economic Development, Auburn University