Join us for a day of Grant Writing Workshops, with Dr. Jerry Heindel
Tuesday, April 3rd, S340 LSL

The Graduate School Office of Professional Development (OPD) is pleased to partner with the UMass Amherst Postdoc Association and Institute for Teaching Excellence and Faculty Development (TEFD) to co-sponsor a day of grant-writing workshops for graduate students, postdocs, and early career faculty.

9:00-10:30 NIH grants: The Right Grant for the Right Time
11:00-1:00 Grantsmanship: How to Write a Winning Research Proposal
1:30-3:00 Understanding the NIH Grant Review Process
3:20-5:00 One-on-One consultations (by appointment only)

All sessions will take place in S340 Life Science Laboratories (LSL) South. Session descriptions and a speaker bio can be found below. Pre-registration is required: http://bit.ly/GrantWritingApr3.

Tuesday, April 3rd – 9:00-10:30am
S340 Life Science Laboratories (LSL) South
**NIH grants: The Right Grant for the Right Time**
Early career researchers have access to a variety of funding opportunities – fellowships, training grants, K99R00 and research grants (R03, R21, R15 or R01). Should you apply for a large grant right away or first build a successful funding record by securing a series of smaller grants? Join Dr. Jerry Heindel, retired NIH Scientific Program Administrator (NIEHS), for a discussion about funding opportunities and how their intentional sequencing and alignment can inform a long-term funding strategy.

Tuesday, April 3rd – 11:00am-1:00pm
S340 Life Science Laboratories (LSL) South
**Grantsmanship: How to Write a Winning Research Proposal**
After more than two decades as NIH Scientific Program Administrator (NIEHS), Dr. Jerry Heindel has a keen sense of what goes into a strong proposal. He will provide advice about what to do (and not to do) to craft a competitive proposal. A good idea is not sufficient. He will focus on grantsmanship, the art of writing a winning proposal. He will also lead an interactive lunchtime discussion about the role of a program officer in the proposal process and how grant applicants can establish effective working relationships with their program officers. Lunch will be provided.

Tuesday, April 3rd – 1:30-3:00pm
S340 Life Science Laboratories (LSL) South
**Understanding the NIH Grant Review Process**
Drawing upon his more than two decades of experience as NIH Scientific Program Administrator (NIEHS), Dr. Jerry Heindel will provide inside perspective about the proposal review process. How do study sections actually work? How can knowing that help you prepare a better applications? What are Reviewers looking for? What are some things to avoid? Come learn from an expert and bring your questions!
Speaker bio
Jerrold J. Heindel earned a PhD in Biochemistry from the University of Michigan and worked in the area of reproductive biology and toxicology while on the faculty at the University of Texas Medical School at Houston and the University of Mississippi before coming to NIEHS to head their Reproductive and Developmental Toxicology group. Twenty five years ago, he moved to the Division of Extramural Research and Training at NIEHS, where he was a scientific program administrator responsible for developing and administering the NIEHS grants program in endocrine disruptors, developmental basis of diseases, and obesity and diabetes. He developed research initiatives in the areas of endocrine disruptors, role of environmental chemicals in the developmental origins of disease and the role of environmental chemicals in obesity and diabetes. Over the past 25 years, he has given over 125 invited presentations across the globe and published over 70 reviews and book chapters; mostly related to endocrine disruptors and the developmental origins of disease. He is now retired from NIEHS and is currently the director of the commonweal program in endocrine disruption strategies; he also provides consulting in grant funding, endocrine disruptors, developmental origins of diseases, obesity and diabetes and how to reduce exposures to environmental chemicals.