Research Development Resources

In the past, ORSP has been more of a Research Administration Office than a Research Development Office. That is something we are trying to change. We already offer individualized consultations and electronic review of all stages of the proposal process, general workshops offered throughout the academic year, and specialized, custom workshops offered to specific colleges, schools, departments, or offices. This year we would like to add further support in facilitating research peer groups across the disciplines.

Sometimes the biggest obstacle to applying for a grant is the fear of writing the proposal.

That's why ORSP offers specific grant writing help. Dr. Julie Hawk is available for individual in-person consultations as well as electronic review of grant proposals, particularly the project narratives, at any point during the process. She will help you talk through your idea and start putting more concrete versions of it on paper, focusing first on content, audience awareness, organization, and research integration. Closer to submission, she will work with you on editing for length requirements, sentence-level style and grammar, formatting, and citation styles.
Things to Consider When Beginning a Grant Proposal Narrative:

- Make sure you read the RFP carefully and refer to it often
- Know your audience and what their goals are
- Know what kinds of research need to be done (sometimes you have to go beyond your specific field)
- Don't worry about length until all your ideas are on paper
- Be willing to get feedback on your proposal from a variety of sources, including, if not especially, people who are NOT in your field (that's what we're here for, actually!)

Questions?

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