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COVID-19 Information

During the UMaine and UMM COVID-19 response, the Office of Research Development is available to support faculty, staff, and students developing their research programs.

Updated March 23, 2019

The Office of Research Development (ORD) is ready and available to support faculty, staff, and students in all aspects of proposal development during the COVID-19 remote work scenario. ORD staff continue to work with individual researchers and research teams on proposals that have been in development prior to the COVID-19 pandemic and federal agencies and private funders continue to publish funding solicitations and receive proposals for research and programmatic funding.

ORD highly encourages members of the university research community to set up Zoom consultation appointments to discuss ongoing or future projects, long-term research needs, as well as specific funding opportunities that they are interested in pursuing in the near and long term. We also maintain a curated funding opportunity website for UMaine researchers that is updated on a weekly basis. Please bookmark the following site and follow up with any questions about posted programs: <https://sites.google.com/a/maine.edu/funding-opportunities/?pli=1>

ORD is equipped to set up researchers for future success by building out supplemental assets: biosketches (research CVs), facility and other resource descriptions, and draft letters of support from internal and external partners. Funding opportunity searches, proposal writing assistance, and research project management services are available to all UMaine and UMM community members. Additionally, we have been actively assisting researchers who are pursuing COVID-19 specific funding opportunities (such as NSF RAPID) and encourage researchers at UMaine to consider developing such proposals. Lastly, principal investigators of internally funded grants through the UMS Research Reinvestment Fund, Faculty Research Fund, and UMaine Medicine are encouraged to reach out with status reports of projects and any anticipated no cost extension needs.

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