1. Announcements
2. Introductions of Untenured Faculty Network Participants
3. Panel on Turning Research into Publications
   • James Edgar, University Distinguished Professor & Department Head, Chemical Engineering
   • Caterina Scoglio, Professor, Electrical & Civil Engineering
   • Dave Steward, Professor, Civil Engineering

**Important Dates for the Future**

- 03/28  Kansas NASA EPSCoR Program Seed Research Initiation Grant Due
- 03/31  DC Trip Pre-Meeting #2 (Meeting A) 10:30 am — Bluemont 21
- 04/01  GSC Travel Grant Application Deadline for travel in June
- 04/01  University Distinguished Professors Graduate Student Award Submission Deadline
- 04/03  DC Trip Pre-Meeting #2 (Meeting B) 1:30 pm — Bluemont 21
- 04/04  Kansas NASA EPSCoR Partnership Development Grant Due
- 04/15  Proposal to the Department of Energy EPSCoR Program Application Due
- 04/24  Office of Research & Sponsored Programs (ORSP) National Grant Writing full day workshop (NSF/NIH/USDA proposals)
- 04/25  ORSP – 1/2 Day NSF CAREER Workshop
- 05/01  Big 12 Faculty Mentoring Fellowship Award 2014-15
- 05/01  KSURF Doctoral Research Scholarship Submission Deadline

**External Funding Opportunities/Awards**

**Kansas NASA EPSCoR Program** (KNEP) announced two grant opportunities. The first opportunity is for a Seed Research Initiation (SRI) grant (proposal due noon, March 28) and the second is for a Partnership Development Grant (PDG) (Proposal due noon, April 4) Full RFPs with additional information are available at [http://www.nasainkansas.org/NASA_IN_KANSAS_V20/EPSCoR.html](http://www.nasainkansas.org/NASA_IN_KANSAS_V20/EPSCoR.html)

**Big 12 Faculty Mentoring Fellowship Award 2014-15**: The Chief Academic Officers of the Big 12 Universities created the Big 12 Faculty Fellowship program for the purpose of stimulating scholarly activities in the areas of teaching, research and service. Recently, a mentoring and networking component has been added to facilitate the establishment of contacts and networks for new faculty with outstanding individuals in their discipline at other Big 12 universities. For more information see
the Provost Office web page: http://www.k-state.edu/provost/enrichment/big12/. The deadline is May 1, 2014.

Professional Development Activities

Grant Writer's Workshop by Grant Writers' Seminars & Workshops, LLC (link: http://www.grantcentral.com/)
NIH/USDA/NSF/NIH National Speaker Workshop: Writing Better Proposals, Thur, April 24 & Fri, April 25, 2014. Sponsored by Office of Research and Sponsored Programs. NOTE: focus will be on food security but the overall workshop will benefit all faculty
  Thurs, April 24: NIH/USDA/NSF/NIH focus, Hilton Garden, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
  Fri, April 25: CAREER (half day), location: Alumni Center, Lecture Hall 8 a.m. – noon

Graduate Student Awards/Opportunities

University Distinguished Professors Graduate Student Award: The University Distinguished Professors Graduate Student Award provides an award to resident graduate student(s) enrolled in a Ph.D. program at Kansas State University. Eligible students must be admitted to candidacy, entering the last year of his or her program, be enrolled in Fall 2014 and Spring 2015 and plan to graduate in May or August 2015. The award is available to eligible students who meet the above criteria in any K-State college, department or program. Students may nominate themselves. Nominations may also be submitted by K-State faculty. For more information, see http://www.k-state.edu/grad/financing/udp/. Submit your application materials to: udp@k-state.edu. The submission deadline is Tuesday, April 1, 2014.

GSC Travel Award deadline for travel in June: The Graduate Student Council supports graduate student travel to professional events courtesy of funding provided by the offices of the president and provost and SGA. Participation in these events provides students with opportunities to advance their research and network with experts in their field. Awards are distributed on a competitive basis though a formal application process. Additional information and application materials are available at: http://www.k-state.edu/grad/students/studentcouncil/travel-grants/. The deadline is Tuesday, April 1, 2014.

KSURF Doctoral Research Scholarship: The KSURF Doctoral Research Scholarship provides strategic funding for recognizing the performance of outstanding Ph.D. students at Kansas State University who demonstrate superior academic achievements and scholarly abilities and whose research has the potential for disclosure of intellectual property and/or commercial application. Each scholarship provides a $15,000 award. Students not on a GTA appointment are eligible for an additional $5,000 for tuition. The scholarship competition is open to eligible resident Ph.D. students in any KSU college, department or program who will be enrolled in Fall 2014 and Spring 2015. Students are nominated by their major professors. For more information, see http://www.k-state.edu/grad/financing/ksurf/. Submit your application materials to: