

California State University, Sacramento (CSUS)

- Student body of 28,000
 - 60 undergraduate degrees
 - 40 graduate degrees
 - 2 joint doctorates





College Of Health and Human Services

- Nursing
- Physical Therapy
- Kinesiology
- Speech Pathology and Audiology
- Social Work
- Criminal Justice
- Health Sciences
- Recreation and Leisure Studies

Pre-Award Services: Dissemination of Funding Information

- Historically funding opportunities had been disseminated by:
 - Spin Searches where interested faculty submitted relevant search terms and got automatic e-mail notifications about upcoming grant opportunities
 - A hard copy publication that provided a summary of recent calls for proposals
 - Links to current grants posted on the Research and Contract Administration web site
 - Meetings with Research Administrators who completed funding searches based on individual faculty interests
 - This actually overwhelmed faculty members

EARDA Supported Targeted / Themed Workshops

- Notifications of upcoming workshops are sent via e-mail and posted on a Web Site
- Personnel from the Research and Contract Administration Office attend the workshops
- A listing of relevant funding opportunities that correspond to the targeted workshop is distributed during the meeting
- Contact information for all attendees is e-mailed to everyone after the meeting



EARDA Supported Targeted / Themed Workshops

- Speakers with expertise in the subject describe their research and discuss lessons learned
- Time is allotted for faculty members to share their reasons for attending and future research goals
- The EARDA office organizes groups of faculty with common interests into sub groups to work on targeted applications

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- Research Opportunities in Africa Workshop
 - 35 faculty members attended
 - A technology sub group was formed
 - A pedagogy sub group was formed
 - An HIV/AIDS prevention sub group was formed
 - A conflict resolution sub group was formed
 - One grant has been submitted and a collaborative article has been accepted for publication

Targeted / Themed Workshops

- **Community Based Participatory Research: Cancer Related Health Disparities Conferences**
 - 80 to 90 faculty and students from CSUS and the University of California Davis (UCD) as well as community members have attended each year for 3 years.
 - A sub group was formed to address accuracy of race and ethnicity reporting in breast cancer
 - A sub group was formed to address smoking cessation programs for homeless women
 - A sub group was formed to address risks associated with tattooing among college students
 - A sub group was formed that looked at the acceptance of cervical cancer immunizations among Hmong populations

Community Based Participatory Research: Cancer Related Health Disparities Conferences

- Collaborative grants have been submitted
- A collaborative course taught by CSUS and UCD faculty was developed and has been offered twice
- An MOU between CSUS and UCD has been signed
- Summer research internships for CSUS students have been created at UCD
 - 2 students have been hired into full time research positions and plan to pursue graduate degrees

Advantages of Targeted Workshops

- Faculty members who are interested in a given topic get to know one another
 - And decide who they would / would not like to work with
- Faculty from multiple departments and disciplines learn about one another's research interests
- It appears that when faculty members notice there are others interested in a specific call for proposals, their own motivation to submit a grant increases



Advantages of Targeted Workshops

- The group dialogue that occurs helps to generate excitement and shift the institutional culture away from a view that the primary CSUS mission is teaching
- Having a relevant list of funding opportunities and deadlines in hand motivates faculty to focus their work

Questions or Comments

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