

ORA Research Blast

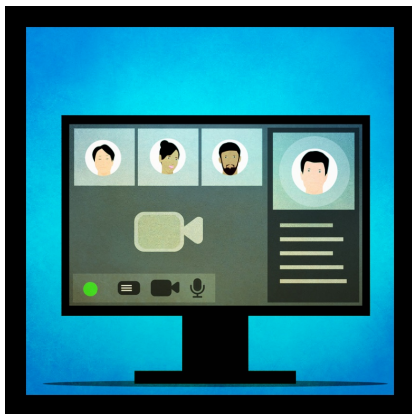
August 2023



Hello Morgan State University!

The Office of Research Administration (ORA) is excited to connect you with the most up-to-date support on our campus to aid in the administration of your sponsored projects. Here we provide you with notice of upcoming seminars, research events, resources, and other pertinent information related to research administration here at MSU.

Upcoming ORA & DRED Seminars



September 13th, 2023

Foundation Funding and Grant Set Asides for HBCUs

October 11th, 2023

Community-based participatory research awards

November 15th, 2023

The U.S. Fulbright Program

December 13th, 2023

Federal Center Grants, Training Grants, and Career Awards

Email ask.ora@morgan.edu to be added to the ORA Announcements group to receive updates and registration links. Past seminars can be found [here](#).

Research Funding On The Rise

We are thrilled to share the exciting news that our research submissions and resulting funding is on an impressive upward trajectory!

FY2021

Submissions: 257 for \$155.1 million

	New Commitments: 114 for \$33.6 million
FY2022	Submissions: 224 for \$176.6 million New Commitments: 135 for \$75.5 million
FY2023	Submissions: 321 for \$385.2 million New Commitments: 165 for \$83.3 million
FY2024 as of 8.31.23	Submissions: 40 for \$39 million New Commitments: 38 for \$34.6 million

Recent Large Awards

- **Sustainable Mobility and Accessibility Regional Transportation Equity Research (SMARTER)**
 - Funding Agency: MDoT & SHA
 - Award Amount: \$4 million
 - PI Name: Dr. Mansoureh Jeihani
- **Artificial Intelligence for Changing Climate and Environmental Sustainability (ACCESS)**
 - Funding Agency: NSF
 - Award Amount: \$3 million
 - PI Name: Dr. Samendra Sherchan
- **Equipment to Support CEAMLS**
 - Funding Agency: NIST
 - Award Amount: \$2 million
 - PI Name: Dr. Kofi Nyarko
- **Establishing a Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences**
 - Funding Agency: US Dept of Ed
 - Award Amount: \$2 million
 - PI Name: Dr. Paul Tchounwou
- **Trustworthy AI in Law & Society (TRAILS) Institute**
 - Funding Agency: NSF
 - Award Amount: \$1.25 million
 - PI Name: Dr. Virginia Byrne
- **Morgan State University's PEARL Lab Student Research Enhancements**
 - Funding Agency: Dept of Commerce/NOAA
 - Award Amount: \$1 million
 - PI Name: Dr. Scott Knoche

Research Events @ MSU

PI Appreciation Event
May 24th, 2023



Our Principal Investigator Appreciation Event was held in partnership by DRED and Academic Affairs.

We hosted 250 members of the MSU community and honored the 171 Principal Investigators that contributed to our record numbers this year!



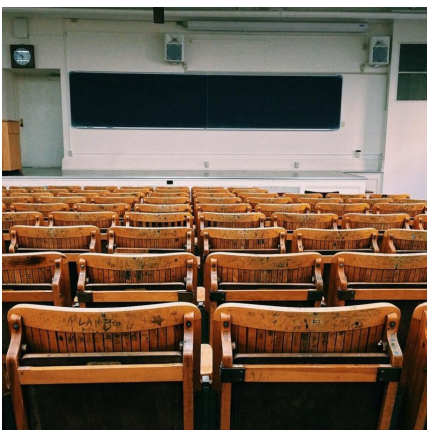
Grant Writing Workshop: NIH Pilot Grants Proposal Preparation

September - December 2023

This semester-long workshop is the second part of the Grant Writing Workshop Series and provides support to individuals who intend to submit an NIH Pilot Proposal, either for internal (RCMI/ASCEND) funding or for external SuRE, K, or R21 mechanisms.

Participants in this workshop will work closely with each other and the instructor team to generate their proposals over the course of the 3-month long workshop. Workshop participants will meet on Zoom for a 2-day kick-off on September 9 and 10 (10 AM to 3 PM).

[Register Here!](#)



Faculty Development Workshops

Fall 2023 & Spring 2024

Thursdays 11:30am-12:30pm

A talented team of senior researchers and administrators will instruct a series of workshops for new MSU faculty. The sessions will cover the basics of grant proposal development, as well as a few sessions on pedagogy and MSU history.

For examples of past presentations please click [here](#).

HBCU Engage 2024

April 16th & 17th, 2024

Morgan State University will host the 2024 HBCU Engage event in collaboration with the University-Industry Demonstration Partnership (UIDP). More information to come in our November issue!

To learn more about the format of this event check out [HBCU Engage 2023](#).



Summer 2024: SWAG

June - August 2024

A Scientific Writing Accountability Group (SWAG) is designed as a peer accountability group to help participants (faculty and postdoctoral researcher) structure their writing time and support each other in the effort to write research manuscripts and/ or grants.

See the [2023 Flyer](#) for an example of past SWAG events.

Next-Level Access: Introducing Fresh Contact Methods

ORA is here to provide the best user experience for our research administrators and faculty across campus. Here's how to best contact our office.



DocuSign

When using DocuSign please utilize the **MSU ORA Signing Group** instead of directing documents to a specific individual or email address.



General Questions

We have created a new email address (ask.ora@morgan.edu) to send any questions related to the administration of your project(s).

Members of the ORA team monitor the address closely and either provide lightning-fast responses or connect you with the best people in other departments who may assist you!

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You can also send an email directly to ryan.mobley@morgan.edu with any thoughts you have for future issues of the ORA Research Blast.

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