## **GRANT WRITING TRAINING**

Whether you are new to grant writing or want to hone your grant writing skills, our faculty grant writing workshops can help you.

Find a list of upcoming workshops and other research events here: https://research.vcu.edu/events/

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## **Mandatory Training for Principal Investigators**

- Faculty must complete the following training: "Mandatory sponsored project and effort reporting training for principal investigators" before submitting grant proposals at VCU.
- Additional agency-dependent trainings may also be required.
- Visit <a href="https://research.vcu.edu/training/sponsored-programs/">https://research.vcu.edu/training/sponsored-programs/</a> for more information

## **Grant Writing Workshops**

- Workshops are scheduled throughout the year and cover both basic and more advanced topics
- Topics include introduction to grant writing, project management for grant writing, finding funding opportunities, advice for applying to specific mechanisms, and workshops on particular aspects of the application
- You may also request a custom workshop for your discipline or unit
- Workshops are announced on our website at https://research.vcu.edu/events/, through the research administration listserv, through TelegRAM, through e-newsletters, and on social media

## **Grant Academy**

- Participants develop, refine and submit an application with assistance from Research Development
- Includes a series of workshops, one-on-one sessions, and editing and review services
- To apply for Grant Academy, you must:
  - o currently have a concrete research project idea,
  - o be ready to develop a proposal and
  - have identified an opportunity due in the next 18 months that will have a transformative impact on your career if awarded
- Applications for Grant Academy are due twice per year in September and March
- Open to faculty in any discipline
- Each cohort includes ~12 faculty
- Workshops are once per month for ~9 months
- Applicants must identify a VCU senior faculty mentor to provide discipline-specific input on their grant application
- Grant Academy components:
  - Content workshops will focus on aspects of proposal development, including step-by-step guidance on developing competitive extramural proposals, research and project design, persuasive communication and writing, grant submission, and building and maintaining relationships with the funder.
  - All Grant Academy faculty participants will have their proposals reviewed by an external panel/ individual reviewers before submission.
  - Each cohort member receives one-on-one assistance with strategy, content and copyediting from our research development staff until the proposal is submitted and beyond.
- For more information and to apply, visit <a href="https://research.vcu.edu/training/grant-academy/">https://research.vcu.edu/training/grant-academy/</a>
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