Welcome to the OU Family!!

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You Have Come to a VERY Special Place
• To utilize the intellectual, technological, and administrative resources of the University of Oklahoma for the generation and dissemination of new knowledge to understand and improve all aspects of life and living.
NORMAN CAMPUS RESEARCH VALUES

WE'RE ALL ABOUT PEOPLE
The University's most treasured assets are its students, faculty, staff and their dreams, ambitions and talents.

EVERY DISCIPLINE MATTERS
All disciplines of scholarly endeavor are valued contributors to research and creative activity.

INTEGRITY AND MUTUAL RESPECT DEFINE US
Integrity, ethical conduct, and mutual respect are uncompromising principles by which research and creative activity must be pursued.

OPEN DEBATE LEADS TO EXCELLENCE
Unfettered exchange and debate of competing ideas and perspectives expands understanding, promotes inclusion and ultimately leads to excellence.

WE ARE A COMMUNITY OF COLLABORATORS
Collaboration—whether among individuals in the same discipline or involving scholars across multiple disciplines, programs, institutions, and types of organizations—is recognized as a valuable means for performing research and creative activity and is strongly encouraged.

BROAD PARTICIPATION IS FOUNDATIONAL
Broad participation in research and creative activity that encompasses but is not limited to gender, ethnicity, geography, organization, discipline, and perspective, is foundational to excellence in scholarly endeavors. Increasing the participation of traditionally underrepresented groups—particularly in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM)—is an institutional priority in research and creative activity.

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ARE INTERTWINED
Research, creative endeavor, and education, at both the graduate and undergraduate levels, are intrinsically intertwined and in combination represent the foundation of knowledge creation upon which the University’s scholarly enterprise rests.
The OU VPR and VPR Office

- We exist for one reason: To do everything in our power, with a very PERSONALIZED approach, to help you achieve your scholarly goals and dreams – for ALL DISCIPLINES

Developing AND RESOURCING
Your Scholarly Program

Center for Research Program Development and Enrichment (CRPDE)
- Locating and pursuing funding from federal and state agencies, private foundations, philanthropy
- Strategic application for external fellowships (e.g., Fulbright)
- Developing individual faculty scholarly program trajectories
- Proposal development services
- Special workshops and seminars
- Developing disciplinary and interdisciplinary research teams and collaborations
- Coordinating limited submission competitions
- Internal seed funding programs
- Facilitating discussions of disciplinary and interdisciplinary research topics
- Broadening the participation of traditionally underrepresented groups

Office of Research Services (ORS)
- Budget preparation, proposal submission and program compliance
- Financial accounting
- Grant proposal cost sharing
- Research policy development and interpretation
- Research contract and agreement negotiation
- Special workshops and seminars

Research Statistics and Analysis
- Research-related performance data for faculty, departments, centers and colleges
- Identifying normative and aspirational peers
- National metrics for scholarly achievement

Disseminating YOUR SCHOLARSHIP
- Funding for print and online publishing
- Travel funding to present scholarly work
- News releases and social media
- Coordinating institution-wide presentations

Spaces AND PLACES
- Providing office and laboratory space
- Planning and renovating research facilities
- Coordinating large equipment purchases
- Managing core facilities
- Providing resources for remote centers

INTERNET AND Recognition
- Annual VPR Awards
- Recognition Program for Exceptional Achievements in Research and Creative Activity
- Support for national award nominations

PRIVATE SECTOR Engagement
- Matching faculty and corporate research interests
- Training and coaching for engagement with private companies
- Travel support
- Special indirect cost return program for applied R&D
- Consulting opportunities for faculty

Undergraduate RESEARCH
- Facilitating undergraduate research in classes, labs, studios, community, grant proposals
- Funding for student research and presentations
- Matching students with mentors
- Coordinating internships
- Providing specialized online resources

Other
- Strategic campus-wide plan for research
- Graduate Student and Post-Doc Professional Development
- Faculty Leadership Academy
- Indirect cost return on sponsored projects (SR)
- Startup funding
- Internal seed funding (Research Council)
- Junior Faculty Fellowships
- Strategic recruiting of faculty and research staff
- Broader impacts in research
- VPR Advisory Committee
- Research Librarians

Norman Campus and Norman Campus Programs at OU-Tulsa
We Invest in ALL Dimensions of YOU!!

Office of the Vice President for Research
NORMAN CAMPUS AND NORMAN CAMPUS PROGRAMS AT OU-TULSA
Norman Campus Research Highlights 2016

98.4 Million New Record!!!

$102.7M New grants/contracts received. A new record.

900 Active awards totalling $328 million

55th Nationally among public comprehensive research universities for Total Expenditures

$640M Requested in grants submitted
MAJOR GRANTS, CONTRACTS, AND PRESTIGIOUS NATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS

4 Fulbright Fellowships
3 NIH R01 Awards
3 NIH R21 Awards
3 NSF CAREER Awards
2 DOD Defense University Research Instrumentation Program Awards
2 NIH Centers
2 NEH Fellowships
1 NEH Public Scholar Award

1 Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation Grant
1 National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellow
1 NSF Major Research Implementation Award
1 NSF Research Traineeship Program Award
1 NSF Innovations in Graduate Education Award
1 Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Award

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The UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA
Exceptional Achievement Program

Over $100,000 awarded to date in one-time bonuses in FY15-16

https://vpr-norman.ou.edu/gallery/exceptional-achievements-research-and-creative-activity-award
OU Receives Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Grant for Native American Arts Initiative

The University of Oklahoma has received an Andrew W. Mellon Foundation grant for $750,000 to support a four-year initiative to increase cultural diversity while seeking to grow a mutually beneficial relationship between OU’s doctoral program in Native American art and the Institute of American Indian Arts. The comprehensive program will increase the representation of Native Americans in curatorial and academic positions through collaboration, creativity and commitment toward the goal.

“The university is extremely pleased to receive this grant from the Mellon Foundation. It is a recognition of OU’s strong reputation in the field of Native American art,” said President David L. Boren.

The program will include six core projects, including paid internships for the museum’s Native American art collection and pre-doctoral fellowships, accompanied by a teaching assistantship to students dedicated to the study of Native American art and culture. A biannual museology course will provide graduate students an opportunity to study museum theories and practices and learn curatorial skills by building an exhibition from concept to installation using the museum’s Native American art collections.

The OU School of Visual Arts’ nationally competitive doctoral program in the study of Native American art will be expanded in order to broaden students’ exposure to leaders in the field and improve their critical analysis of current scholarship. Graduate students will manage a symposium on a current topic in the field of Native American art history, museum studies and pedagogy; and a Mellon Foundation Distinguished Lecture Series will be established. Finally, the OU School of Visual Arts will collaborate with the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe to create a pipeline of institute graduates for OU’s graduate program to study Native American art history.

The program will be led by Heather Ahtone, James T. Bialac Associate Curator of Native American and Non-Western Art at the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art; W. Jackson Rushing III, Eugene B. Adkins Presidential Professor of Art History and Mary Lou Milner Carver Chair in Native American Art; and Mark Andrew White, Wylodean and Bill Saxon Director of the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art.

“The museum is deeply honored to receive this transformative grant from the Mellon Foundation,” White said. “The Mellon internships will allow the museum to build upon its scholarly commitment to Native American art and to continue to create innovative exhibitions and programs using resources such as the James T. Bialac Native American Art Collection and the Eugene B. Adkins Collection.

The Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art has one of the most significant collections of Native American art in the country with more than 6,000 objects from artists of diverse tribes and nations that dates from the early twentieth century to present day.

The OU School of Visual Arts is one of the only schools in the nation to have a dedicated concentration in Native American art history, which was first established by Mary Jo Watson (Seminole), Regents Professor and Director Emeritus. In the early 1990s, Watson founded a Native art history curriculum that included a popular seminar on American Indian women artists. The OU School of Visual Arts is the only program which features two named professorships in Native American art history.
OU Receives $161 Million NASA Grant to Lead Satellite Mission to Monitor Global Carbon

NASA Announces First Geostationary Vegetation, Atmospheric Carbon Mission

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6, 2016 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- NASA has selected a first-of-its-kind Earth science mission that will extend our nation's lead in measuring key greenhouse gases and vegetation health from space to advance our understanding of Earth's natural exchanges of carbon between the land, atmosphere and ocean.

The primary goals of the Geostationary Carbon Cycle Observatory (GeoCARB), led by Berrien Moore of the University of Oklahoma in Norman, are to monitor plant health and vegetation stress throughout the Americas, and to probe, in unprecedented detail, the natural sources, sinks and exchange processes that control carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and methane in the atmosphere.
http://vpr-norman.ou.edu
The greatest danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that our aim is too low and we reach it.

-- Michelangelo