

# The Office of Research & Sponsored Programs

Research at The University of Scranton: **Fall 2015**



## RESEARCH RECHARGED

### Externally Submitted Grant Proposals

|                            | 14/15     | 13/14     |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>CAS</b>                 | <b>26</b> | <b>23</b> |
| Asian Studies              | 1         | 4         |
| Biology                    | 5         | 6         |
| Chemistry                  | 2         | 5         |
| Communication              | 0         | 1         |
| Computing Sciences         | 1         | 1         |
| Dean's Office              | 1         | 1         |
| Hope Horn Gallery          | 2         | 1         |
| Philosophy                 | 1         | 0         |
| Physics/EE                 | 1         | 1         |
| Political Science          | 2         | 0         |
| Psychology                 | 5         | 0         |
| Sociology/Criminal Justice | 0         | 2         |
| Theology/Religious Studies | 4         | 1         |
| World Lang. & Culture      | 1         | 0         |
| <b>KSOM</b>                | <b>2</b>  | <b>2</b>  |
| Accounting                 | 1         | 2         |
| Economics/Finance          | 1         | 0         |
| <b>LIBRARY</b>             | <b>1</b>  | <b>0</b>  |
| <b>PCPS</b>                | <b>20</b> | <b>19</b> |
| Dean's Office              | 6         | 0         |
| Education                  | 1         | 0         |
| Exercise Science & Sport   | 3         | 2         |
| Leahy Clinic               | 8         | 12        |
| Nursing                    | 2         | 5         |
| <b>STAFF</b>               | <b>6</b>  | <b>15</b> |

The listing of externally submitted grant proposals represents all external proposals submitted through the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) for the Fiscal Years 2014-2015 and 2013-2014.

**University of Scranton Policy requires all external funding proposals be submitted through ORSP.**

External grant proposals with co-investigators in multiple departments were counted in all departments involved with the proposal.

Of the grants to the left, 19 and 23 grants originated from the Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations in 2014-2015 and 2013-2014, respectively. These grants flowed through the ORSP for compliance and budget review as required by University policy.

#### Grant Writing Tools

The NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR) is hosting a **NIH Research Project Grant Preparation Webinar on Friday, November 6, 2015 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm EST**. This webinar is designed to give participants useful insights into the NIH application submission and peer review processes. CSR is the portal for NIH grant applications and their review for scientific and technical merit.

Visit [www.csr.nih.gov/webinar](http://www.csr.nih.gov/webinar) to register by October 29.

#### Research Seminar Series:

- 09/04/15: George R. Gomez, Ph.D.
- 09/18/15: Meghan Ashlin Rich, Ph.D.
- 10/02/15: Sean Brennan, Ph.D.
- 10/16/15: Rev. John C. Sivalon, Ph.D.
- 11/06/15: Donald R. Boomgaarden, Ph.D.
- 11/20/15: Danielle R. Arigo, Ph.D.
- 12/04/15: Michael Azar, Ph.D.

# Ann Pang-White, Ph.D.

## RESEARCH SPOTLIGHT

**Dr. Ann A. Pang-White**, Professor of Philosophy, Director of Asian Studies, focuses her early research on medieval philosophy. In recent years, her work incorporates east-west comparative philosophy and interdisciplinary study. She published over thirty journal articles, book chapters, and book reviews. Her first book, *Bloomsbury Research Handbook of Chinese Philosophy and Gender* (by Bloomsbury Academic, UK) is forthcoming in spring 2016. She is currently working on her second book, *Confucian Four Books for Women*, under contract with Oxford University Press. She is an elected treasurer of the International Society for Chinese Philosophy, an elected member of the Executive Council of the Phi Sigma Tau International National Honor Society in Philosophy—National Office, and a referee for scholarly journals and academic presses. Dr. Pang-White played an instrumental role in developing the University's Asian Studies concentration. She facilitated several university-level faculty and student exchange programs and agreements.

Dr. Pang-White applied for a number of grants to support the language core requirement in the Asian Studies curriculum, to fund faculty development, and to sponsor co-curricular cultural programming. Due to its innovative initiatives with local schools, the Asian Studies concentration received the Commonwealth's 2011 "Bringing the World to Pennsylvania: K-16 Collaboration Award." Dr. Pang-White has received Overseas Mandarin-Chinese Teaching Grant from the Taiwan Ministry of Education, Spotlight Taiwan Grant from the Taiwan Ministry of Culture, China's Confucius Institute Teaching Grant, Marywood University-The University of Scranton Collaborative Grant, and Diversity Grant multiple times. These grants enhanced international language-cultural learning and brought unprecedented live performance of Chinese opera, Chinese-Taiwan chamber music, folk dance, Asian puppet show, workshops, art exhibit, lectures, film series, and international conference on Asian Studies to the greater Scranton community.

## DHHS Releases Long-awaited Proposed Changes to the Common Rule

On Wednesday, September 2, 2015, the Office of the *Federal Register* made available a pre-publication version of a much-anticipated Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) that proposes changes to the Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects, or the "Common Rule."

The release of the NPRM comes four years after the publication of an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM), which first put forward proposals to modernize the regulations governing human subjects research in the United States. The NPRM, which was issued by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), as well as fifteen other Federal agencies, is the next step in the process leading to a final rule. Its contents have been influenced by ongoing dialogue and debate in the years since the release of the ANPRM, as well as by recent policy proposals, including the Office for Human Research Protections' "Draft Guidance on Disclosing Reasonable Foreseeable Risks in Research Evaluating Standards of Care" and the National Institutes of Health's "Draft Policy on the Use of a Single IRB for Multi-Site Research."

The NPRM, which is 519 pages long, puts forward eight major proposals that address improving the informed consent process; strengthening consent requirements for the research use of stored bio specimens; adding categories of activities that are not subject to regulation under the Common Rule; calibrating the level of review to the level of risk involved in research; limiting the use of waivers or alterations of consent for research involving bio specimens; mandating the use of a single IRB for cooperative research; modifying requirements for continuing review; and extending the scope of the Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects.

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