

D.C. Days 2022

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

The CFAES Office for Research and Graduate Education (R&GE) and the Grant Development Support Unit (GDSU) are pleased to announce an opportunity for College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) faculty to visit federal funding agencies in May 2022.

The D.C. Days program encourages researchers to become more competitive by providing an opportunity to visit with federal program officers. This allows researchers to determine if a basic research concept matches the sponsor's mission, seek advice concerning project design and appropriate funding track, and better understand the peer review process.

Meetings with program agencies will take place in Washington, D.C. Approximately ten individuals will be chosen through a competitive application process to attend the three-day trip, which will take place this year from May 8-11. The GDSU will arrange for group visits at selected agencies on day one and the first half of day two. We encourage you to schedule individual appointments with specific program officers of your choosing for the remainder of day two and on day three. We can assist you with this process, if needed.

Potential sponsors to visit are listed below. Final destinations will be determined based upon applicant interest and availability of program officers from the funding agencies. Please feel free to share additional agencies you are interested in.

POTENTIAL SPONSORS

- United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), National Institute for Food and Agriculture (NIFA)
- National Science Foundation (NSF)
- United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- OSU Government Affairs Office
- United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
- United States Department of Energy (DOE)



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A. ELIGIBILITY

Any faculty member with an appointment in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences may apply, however priority will be given to those with the rank of Assistant Professor (pre-tenure).

B. HOW TO APPLY

Interested individuals should e-mail a single PDF document to schlegel.33@osu.edu containing the following:

- I. **Cover Page:** Include Name, Faculty Rank, Department, and up to three Federal sponsors and/or specific program officers within their programs you would like to meet with.
- II. **Abstract:** Applicants must provide a comprehensive abstract (**1000 words or less**) detailing research activities, a synopsis of an anticipated proposal submission(s), and a brief statement of how the applicant's participation will help make them more competitive for funding.
- **Curriculum Vita:** Vita should include a complete list of publications, contributed and invited talks, and funding history including submitted, funded, and non-funded proposals.

C. DEADLINE

Application deadline is **January 10, 2022**.

D. REVIEW PROCESS

All applications will be reviewed by the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education and the Grant Development Support Unit. Selected applicants will be notified late January 2022. Please direct all questions to [Pam Schlegel.33](mailto:Pam.Schlegel.33).

E. FUNDING

The GDSU will share in the cost of attending this special event. Departments will cover the cost of the workshop up front, and CFAES will transfer a sum of \$500 to the department to assist with travel costs **after** the event is finished.

GDSU will provide hotel information and travel dates. Selected attendees will be responsible for making their own travel arrangements in accordance with university policy (flight, hotel, etc.). Departments will be responsible for maintaining all travel documentation.



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