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January 2023 Announcements

1. January Research Events provide an opportunity for faculty to weigh in on what research supports you need, Informal Research Conversations, training sessions, visits by the UB Office of Research Advancement, and writing workshops! January events include:
 - a. January 13:
 - i. 12:30 – 2 PM: School Research Support discussion with tenure-track faculty
 - ii. 2 – 5 PM: Writing Workshop
 - b. January 20:
 - i. 12:30 – 2 PM: Research Training on IRB protocols with Chris Marks from the Office of Research Compliance
 - ii. 2 – 5 PM: Writing Workshop
 - c. January 27: 2 – 5 PM: Writing WorkshopAll events will take place in 309 Hayes Hall (IDEA Center) and by Zoom.
2. CONCUR Travel and Expense Reimbursement System Training will take place on January 10 from 2 – 3:15 PM via Zoom. [Register for a Virtual Session](#). If you can't make it to a session, [previously recorded sessions](#) are available.
3. SUNY RF TED@Work Series The SUNY Research Foundation (RF) has launched a new learning series open to all UB employees. Workplace learning should be driven by powerful ideas – which is the foundation for their new TED@Work program. Blending TED Talks with small and large group discussions, this program encourages new ways of thinking, beyond the scope of traditional learning. Sessions will be held one Friday per month at 10am from January - June. Sign up once to get access to the entire series. [Register for TED@Work Series](#)
4. In case you missed it: We have a new award analyst in the Sponsored Project Services office to work with all sponsored research. Sunny Zeng can be reached by phone at 645-4400 or by email at Sunny.Zeng@buffalo.edu.

Featured Publication

Shepard, Mark. *There are No Facts: Attentive Algorithms, Extractive Data Practices, and the Quantification of Everyday Life*. MIT Press. ISBN: 9780262047470

The entanglements of people and data, code and space, knowledge and power: how data and algorithms shape the world—and shape us within that world.

With the emergence of a post-truth world, we have witnessed the dissolution of the common ground on which truth claims were negotiated, individual agency enacted, and public spheres shaped. What happens when, as Nietzsche claimed, there are no facts, but only interpretations? In this book, Mark Shepard examines the entanglements of people and data, code and space, knowledge and power that have produced an uncommon ground—a disaggregated

public sphere where the extraction of behavioral data and their subsequent processing and sale have led to the emergence of micropublics of ever-finer granularity.

Shepard explores how these new post-truth territories are propagated through machine learning systems and social networks, which shape the public and private spaces of everyday life. He traces the balkanization and proliferation of online news and the targeted distribution of carefully crafted information through social media. He examines post-truth practices, showing how truth claims are embedded in techniques by which the world is observed, recorded, documented, and measured. Finally, he shows how these practices play out, at scales from the translocality of the home to the planetary reach of the COVID-19 pandemic—with stops along the way at an urban minimarket, an upscale neighborhood for the one percent, a Toronto waterfront district, and a national election.

Resources for Research

1. UB has a license for [REDCap](#), a secure web platform for building and managing online databases and surveys. With this free service, you can avoid adding the purchase of survey/DB programs in your research proposals.
2. The [Office of the Vice President for Research and Economic Development](#) (OVPRED) offers assistance in finding grant opportunities for researchers through UB Funding, grants for new and early career faculty, grants.gov, and limited submission opportunities.
3. In addition to the University at Buffalo's [SPIN Funding Database](#) to search for funding opportunities, Other searchable databases include [New York State Grants Gateway](#), [SBIR/STTR Funding](#).
4. UB's Corporate and Foundation Relations staff members help faculty build relationships with businesses and foundations in ways that align with the university's research goals and support departmental activities. For more information call 716-881-8206. [Supporting UB Research](#)

Reminders

1. Sponsored Project Services (SPS) is enforcing the 5-day deadline for all grant submissions. If your proposal is not received at least five days before it is due, they may not review it. All proposals for sponsored research must be submitted through UB CLICK.
2. In addition, all proposals for sponsored research are required to be reviewed by Barbara Carlson and Nick Rajkovich. If you plan to submit a grant proposal, please let Barb and Nick know at least a week in advance to ensure a quick turnaround. In general, it will take one business day to get through the school review process.
3. Finally, are you working on, or considering applying for, a sponsored grant? Please contact Nick/Barb as soon as possible so we can help you start the process!
 - Barb's email is carlsonb@buffalo.edu; her office is 232 Hayes Hall.
 - Nick's email is rajkovic@buffalo.edu; his office is in the Hayes 317 suite

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Spring 2023 Research Events

Week	Date	12:30 - 2:00pm	2:00 - 5:00pm
1	Friday, January 13	School Research Supports Discussion	Writing Workshop
2	Friday, January 20	Research Training (IRB: Chris Marks)	Writing Workshop
3	Friday, January 27	Writing Workshop	
4	Friday, February 3	Office of Research Advancement (ORA) Office Hours	Writing Workshop
5	Friday, February 10	Writing Workshop	
6	Friday, February 17	Informal Research Conversation (Anahita Khodadadi, PhD & Staff from the UB Regional Institute)	Writing Workshop
7	Friday, February 24	Writing Workshop	
8	Friday, March 3	ORA Office Hours	Writing Workshop
9	Friday, March 10	Writing Workshop	
10	Friday, March 17	Research Training (COI/CLICK Submissions)	Writing Workshop
11	Friday, March 24	Spring Break (no meeting)	
12	Friday, March 31	ORA Office Hours	Writing Workshop
13	Friday, April 7	Writing Workshop	
14	Friday, April 14	Informal Research Conversation (Kristine Stiphany, PhD, AIA & Kate Nelischer, PhD)	Writing Workshop
15	Friday, April 21	Writing Workshop	
16	Friday, April 28	ORA Office Hours	Writing Workshop
17	Friday, May 5	Writing Workshop	
18	Friday, May 12	Architecture Final Review Week (no meeting)	

All events will be held in the IDEA Center in 309 Hayes Hall. The research training and Informal Research Conversations will also be broadcast on Zoom: <https://buffalo.zoom.us/j/7168296910?pwd=cTV5WEVxK2FqRWJzYk96UjJCTnJoZz09>. If you have any questions regarding the schedule, please email Nick Rajkovich at rajkovic@buffalo.edu.