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Mark Your Calendars For These Upcoming Events!

39th Annual Student Research Competition

This spring, Cal Poly Humboldt will host the 39th Annual CSU Student Research Competition for the first time ever! This prestigious event, happening **April 25-26, 2025**, will bring together over 200 student scholars from 23 CSU campuses, showcasing their groundbreaking research, scholarship, and creative works.

To access the competition application, please visit our [Engagement Hub](#). For general information, see our [Student Research Competition website](#)!

IdeaFest 2025

Sponsored Programs Foundation, Marketing & Communications (Marcom), and the Cal Poly Humboldt Library invite you to participate in the 12th Annual ideaFest, where more than 400 students, staff, and faculty from Humboldt will showcase research, performances, digital projects, and more. This year's ideaFest will be held on **Friday, May 2nd**. The deadline to register will be in mid to late April.

For information, visit the [ideaFest website](#) or get in touch with IdeaFest Coordinator Jessica Welch at jessica.welch@humboldt.edu



Upcoming Funding Deadlines!

There are numerous opportunities for research funding & awards available on [Engagement Hub](#). Take advantage of them before their deadlines pass:

Faculty Research Incentive Award Program

Provides release time or summer salary support for faculty to develop and submit full proposals to funding agencies and organizations.

Deadline: Monday, January 27th

2025 CSU Student Research Competition

Students submit summaries of their research or creative presentations to apply, and may showcase recently completed or late-stage work for a chance to win \$500! This year, Cal Poly Humboldt will be hosting the system-wide competition for the first time ever! If selected, students will compete on **April 25 and 26, 2025**.

Deadline: Friday, January 31st

Research and Creative Projects for Equity and Justice

Supports research, scholarship, and creative activities benefitting historically marginalized communities served by Cal Poly Humboldt, with a focus on Black, Indigenous, and other people of color (BIPOC).

Deadline: Thursday, February 13th

McCrone Promising Faculty Scholars Award and Graduate Fellowship Award Nominations

Recognizes three newer faculty and one outstanding graduate student, acknowledging their potential in their field of research and encouraging their continued achievement. Presentations from past awardees can be viewed on our [YouTube channel](#).

Deadline: Thursday, February 27th



Check out our [interactive map!](#)

If there are any projects that you'd like to see added, you can leave suggestions [here](#).



The **Team Review Program** is designed to facilitate review and direct feedback on your grant proposal from an expert (or experts) in your field. For more info, click [here](#).

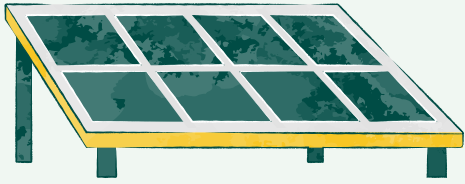


Do you have travel claims, reimbursements, advances, etc., and you're unsure how to complete the forms?

SPF offers [Drop-In Zoom Hours](#) every weekday from 2:00-3:00pm.

If you can't make these hours, or the daily office hours, contact our Front Office at (707) 826-4189 or hsuf@humboldt.edu

GOOD NEWS



Cal Poly Humboldt To Support Orick Microgrid Project!

Orick Community Services District and Cal Poly Humboldt have been awarded \$900,000 from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to establish a resilient microgrid with solar and storage systems to provide reliable power to critical facilities, including the water and wastewater treatment pumping stations, fire station, and grocery store. This support is made available through the DOE Local Government Energy Program's Communities Sparking Investment in Transformative Energy (C-SITE) funding.

Wildlife Research Article Published in Ecology and Evolution!

A wildlife study led by graduate student Travis Farwell and Associative Professor Barbara Clucas was recently published in Ecology and Evolution! The SPF-supported project investigated vocalization behavior and patterns in Humboldt's flying squirrel. To access the full article, [click here](#).

Humboldt Students Awarded Prestigious NOAA Fellowships!

Graduate students Nayre Herrera and Robyn Norman received National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Coastal Management Fellowships! Read more about the program and both students [here](#).

Art+Film Department Members Recognized by Smithsonian Museum for Documentary Film!

A documentary created by Cal Poly Humboldt's Dave Janetta and Nicola Waugh (Department of Art+Film), was selected for the Smithsonian Museum of the American Indian's 2024 Native Cinema Showcase! The film, 'A'-t'i' Xwee-ghayt-nish (Still, We Live On), was completed with the Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation, and explores the Nation's ongoing efforts to preserve and revitalize their language and culture after being nearly exterminated at the hands of colonizer settlers starting in the 1850s. To learn more about the documentary and view the trailer, please visit the ['A'-t'i' Xwee-ghayt-nish: Still, We Live On website](#)



If you have any questions/feedback regarding any of these updates, please feel free to give us a call!

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Don't miss any of our upcoming events! Be sure to sign up for Research portal announcements by clicking this [link](#).



Stay up-to-date on opportunities for funding via Engagement Hub!

We regularly post internal opportunities for research funding & awards through our [Engagement Hub](#) portal - make sure you're visiting often to stay in the loop!

Food Research Initiative Competitive Grants
National and Applied Science Program

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Potential Collaborators

217 from inside your institution

500+ from outside institutions

Pro Tip: Use Pivot to Find Project Collaborators!

If you're familiar with our grant database, [Pivot](#), you're probably aware of its funding search capabilities, but did you also know that it can be used to identify potential project collaborators within Cal Poly Humboldt and beyond?

When reviewing a funding opportunity that aligns with your interests, you'll find a "Potential Collaborators" section to the right of the grant details. You can select between browsing people at Cal Poly Humboldt or outside institutions whose research interests indicate that they may also be interested in the opportunity.

After selecting an option, use the filters on the left side of the page to narrow the results if desired, and then click any names to review profiles. Contact information will be provided in the top right corner of the page.

If you're interested in learning more, you can set up a Pivot training by reaching out to Research Development Support & Marketing Coordinator, Cara Peters, at cara.peters@humboldt.edu.

Minimum Wage & Mileage Rate Changes for the New Year

This is a reminder that effective January 1, 2025, there were changes to the California minimum wage and IRS guidelines for mileage rates on travel-related expenses.



NEW Minimum Wage for SPF employees are as follows:
Non-Exempt Employees - \$16.50 per hour
Exempt Employees - \$33.00 per hour

NEW Mileage Rate for Travel *after* January 1, 2025:
Per hour increased from \$0.67 to **\$0.70 per mile**

Featured Funding Opportunities

Burroughs Welcome Fund | Climate Change and Human Health Seed Grants

Promotes new connections between scholars, practitioners, educators, and/or communicators working to understand and mitigate the impacts of climate change on human health. Also of interest is work piloting new approaches or new interactions toward reducing impact on health-centered activities, for example, developing more sustainable systems for health care. Additionally, the funder is interested in work that prepares for the impacts of extreme weather that can impact delivery of health care. Awards \$2,500–\$50k

[Application Deadline: April 24, 2025](#)

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) | Pioneering Ideas Program

Supports projects from all disciplines that are primed to impact health equity. Ideas should address one of these areas of focus: Future of Evidence; Future of Social Interaction; Future of Food; Future of Work. RWJF also welcomes ideas outside of these focus areas, but which offer unique approaches to advancing health equity. No award ceiling specified.

[Rolling application opens Feb. 3, 2025](#)

Sloan Foundation | Public Understanding of Science, Technology & Economics

Supports book, theater, film, television, radio, and new media projects that mainstream science and tech for the lay public. The program's primary aim is to build bridges between the cultures of science and the humanities. Recent awards have ranged from \$25,000 to \$1.1 mil.

[Applications accepted on rolling basis.](#)

Cal Humanities | Humanities For All Quick Grant

Supports locally-initiated public humanities projects. This program responds to the needs and interests of Californians, encourages greater public participation in humanities programming, particularly by new and/or underserved audiences. Awards \$1k – \$5k.

[Applications accepted on Rolling Basis](#)

NEH | Cultural and Community Resilience

Supports community-based efforts to address the impacts of climate change or COVID-19 by safeguarding cultural resources and fostering cultural resilience through identifying, documenting, and/or collecting cultural heritage and community experiences. Project activities may take many forms, including: Collaborative planning to identify cultural and historical resources; Recording oral histories; Preserving Traditional Knowledge, practices, or technologies, and memories of elders and community, including in languages other than English. Awards up to \$150k.

[Next anticipated deadline May 2025](#)

Kellogg Foundation | Strong & Equitable Food Systems

Supports efforts that address barriers to accessing good food for children and families of color in low-income communities, and that provide support for community farmers and entrepreneurs of color across the food system. This program aims to transform food systems to better serve communities, farmers, workers, businesses, families, children and our natural environment. The average award amount is \$166k.

[Letters of Inquiry accepted on rolling basis.](#)



The Office of Research welcomes back all of our amazing PIs and friends of research! We hope you had an excellent winter break.

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