## Grant Writers' Workshop for NIH Shared (SIG) and High End Instrumentation (HEI) Grants March 31, 2017



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### Workshop Goals

- 1. To review current SIG/HEI grant submissions and to identify opportunities and barriers to successful application for these funds.
- 2. To identify activities and resources needed in the pre-application phase of an SIG/HEI grant application.
- 3. To discuss the process and content of an NIH SIG/HEI application.
- 4. To share questions and concerns about SIG/HEI grant preparation with experienced UF faculty.

#### **Desired Outcomes**

- 1. Development of an online toolkit to assist SIG/HEI grant writers.
- 2. Increase in quantity and quality of SIG/HEI applications for UF.
- 3. Increase the number of SIG and HEI grants obtained annually at UF.

## SUBMISSIONS FOR NIH SHARED INSTRUMENTATION (SIG) AND HIGH END INSTRUMENTATION (HEI) GRANTS, 2012 - 2016

YEAR	SIG (APPLIED/FUNDED)		HEI (APPLIED/FUNDED	
	Initial Applications	Resubmissions	Initial Applications	Resubmissions
2011-12	6/0	?0/0	1/0	0/0
2012-13	2/0	2/2	0/0	0/0
2013-14	3/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
2014-15	3/0	3/2	0/0	0/0
2015-16	5/1	0/0	2/0	0/0
TOTALS*	19/1	5/4	3/0	0/0
2016-17	4/?	4/?	1/?	1/?

<sup>\*</sup>College/Department of funded applications: 4 HSC (3COM, 1COVM); 1 CLAS (Biology)

# Questions Related to SIG/HEI Grants at UF

- 1. Are we writing as many SIG grants as we could?
- 2. Are we writing as many HEI grants as we could?
- 3. Are promising but not funded initial applications being resubmitted?
- 4. What services or resources would allow expansion of #1-3?

#### Requirements

#### Major users:

Minimum of 3, more competitive if many more.

**Accessible User Time of >35%** 

Major and minor users: Any number above 3 major users, Accessible User Time of >75%

### Is the Number of Major Users and/or Minor Users Adequate for a Competitive Application?

**Barrier:** Unable to identify additional users?

Identification of users in other

departments, colleges, and

institutions

**Barrier:** Unwilling to resubmit grant?

- Discussion of Summary Statement
- Identification of new/additional assets.

### Sources of Funds for Instrumentation

- State funds to ICBR
- Preeminence Recruitment Packages
- R, P Grants, U Cooperative Agreements
- Clinical Funds
- Endowment Funds
- Shared High End Instrumentation Grants (S10)

# 10 Steps of Institutional Preparation for SIG/HEI Grant Applications What can UF/UF HSC Provide?

- 1. Identify FOA
- 2. Recruit PI/PD
- 3. Recruit Advisory Committee
- 4. Identify > 3 Major Users (as many as possible), as many minor users as possible.
- 5. Justify need.
- 6. Select instrument with needed functions.
- 7. Identify technical expertise
- 8. Write and submit application
- 9. Identify institutional support
- **10.Document Accessible User Time**