AgriLife Fall Grants Workshop Series

Grant Resources

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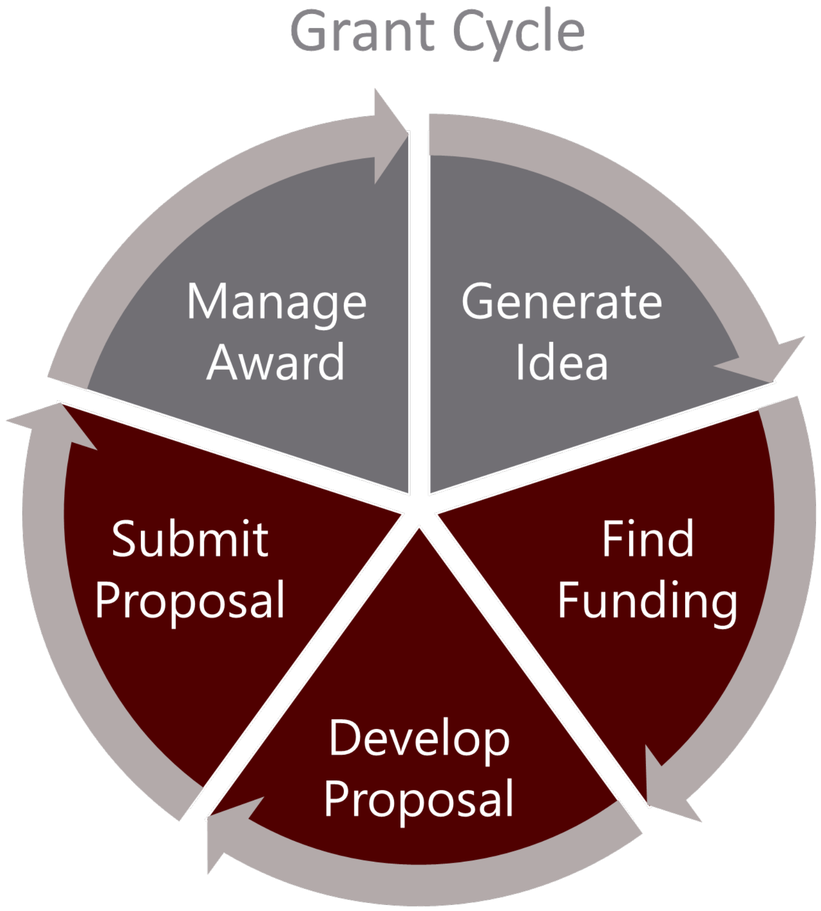
Overview: Resources throughout the Grant Cycle

1. Exploring funding options: Where to look?
2. Ready to submit: Where to start?
   Guest speakers from SRS, AgriLife Contracts, Corporate Engagement and Research Support, Intellectual Property, AgriLife Research Cloud (ARC), and Digital Education
3. Tips for maximizing proposal resources



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Exploring Funding Opportunities – Seed Grants

- Internal Seed Funding
  - Seed grants such as past programs for Insect Vector Disease, Crop Improvement, UAS and Water
- Research Development Fund
- President's Excellence Fund Initiatives
  - X-Grants
  - T3: Texas A&M Triads for Transformation
  - Presidential Clinical Research Partnership Grants

Exploring Funding Opportunities

- Eligibility
- Using Grants.gov or Pivot
- Sponsoring Agency Prospecting
- Newsletters, professional development, webinars and conferences
- Reading the RFA

RFA = Request for Application

RFP = Request for Proposal

FOA = Funding Opportunity Announcement

→ Guidelines for Submission

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Exploring Funding Opportunities - Always check Eligibility!

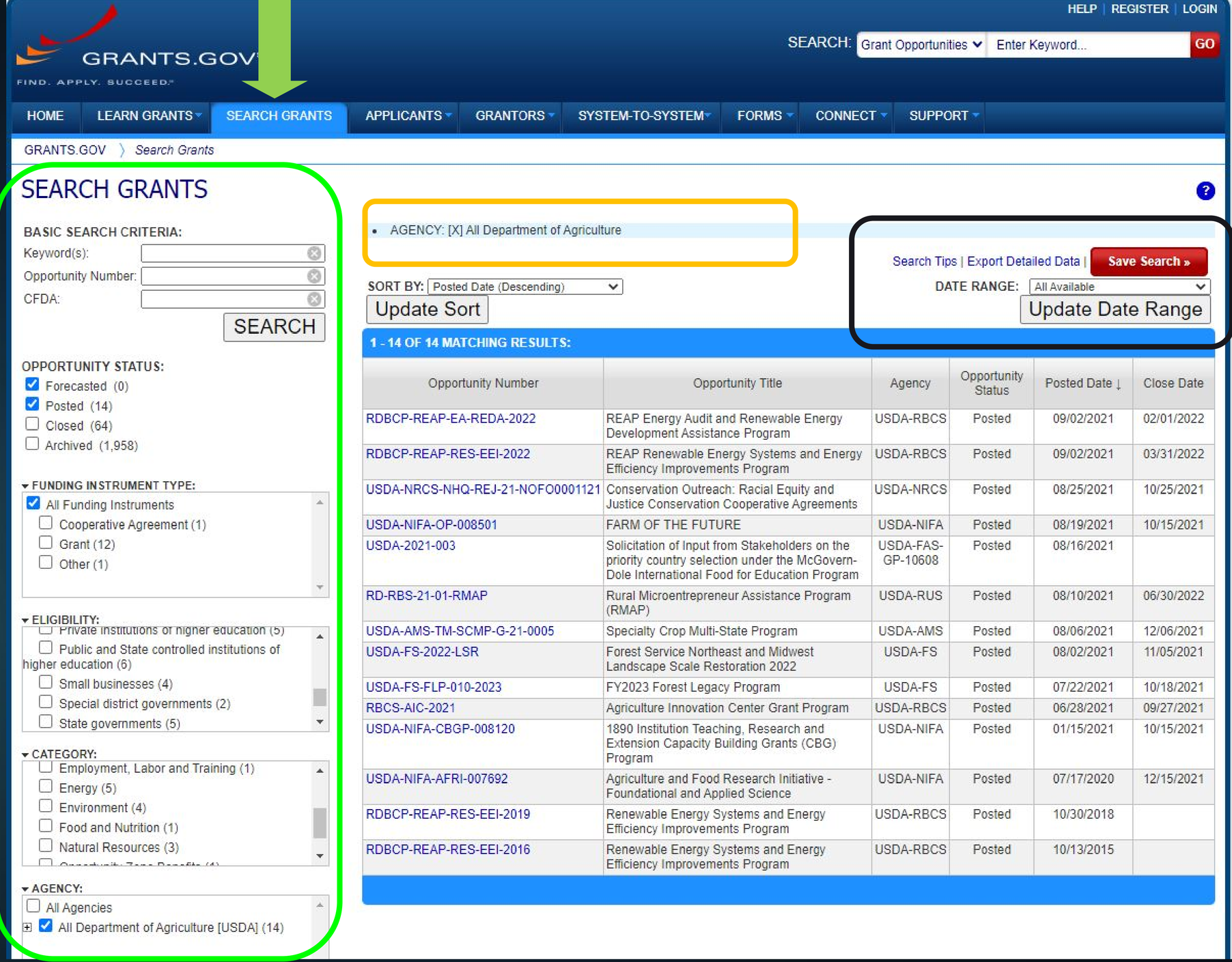
- ✓ 1862 Land-Grant Institutions
- ✓ Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education
- ✓ State agricultural experiment stations
- ✓ Non-profit, associated with educational or research activities
- ⚠ Colleges and universities
- ⚠ Institutions of higher education OR degree granting institution
- ⚠ Is it a limited submission? Additional steps may be needed
  - ⚠ https://vpr.tamu.edu/initiate-research/lsp for list of proposals and how to apply
  - ⚠ Must be selected by limited submission process to move forward with submission

When in doubt, contact SRS to review, or ask the program officer for a determination in writing.

Grants.gov

Create an account to

1. **Save custom searches.**
2. **Subscribe to specific funding opportunities. You will receive an email with any changes to the solicitation.**
3. **Click on RFA to learn more specific details.**



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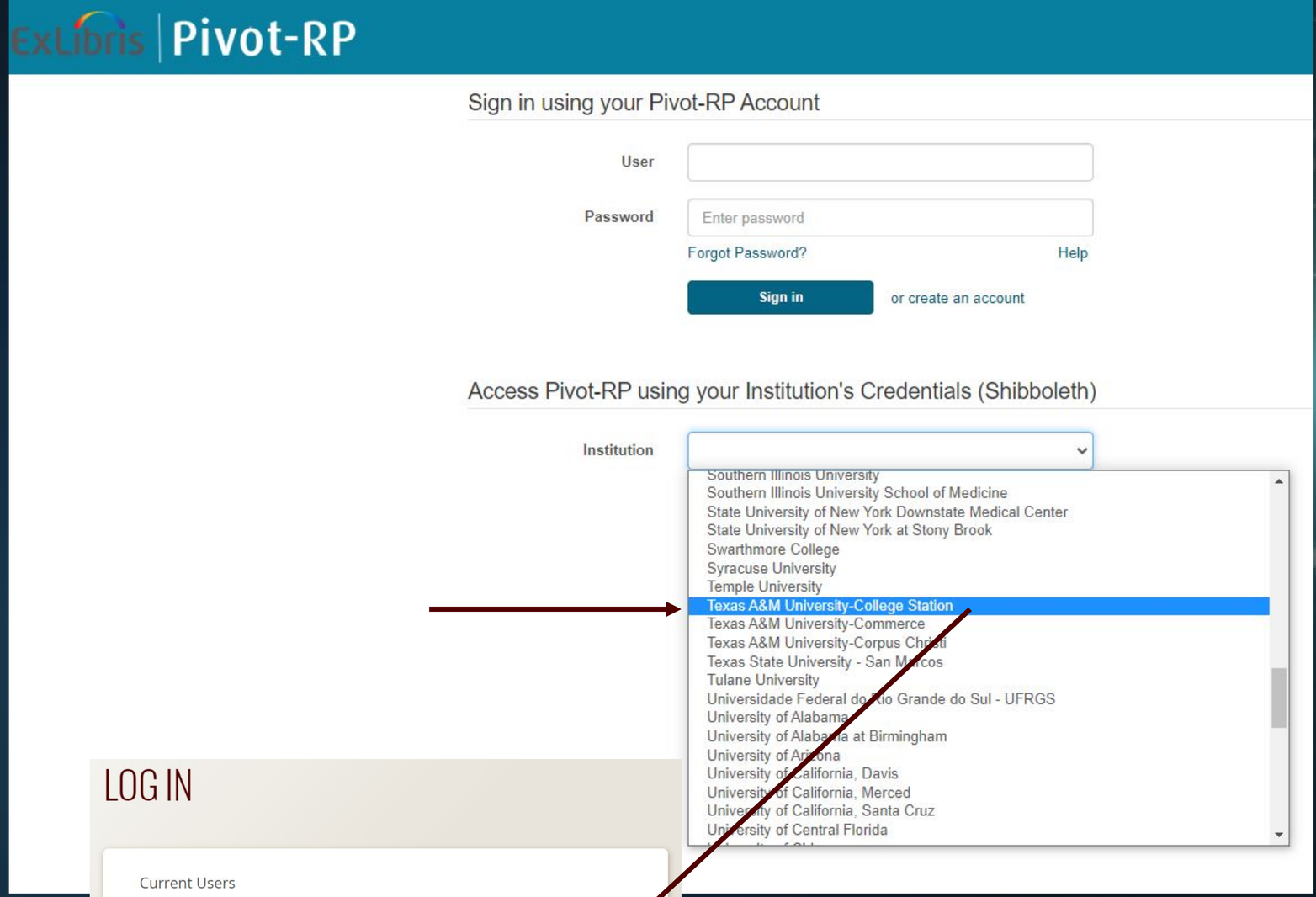
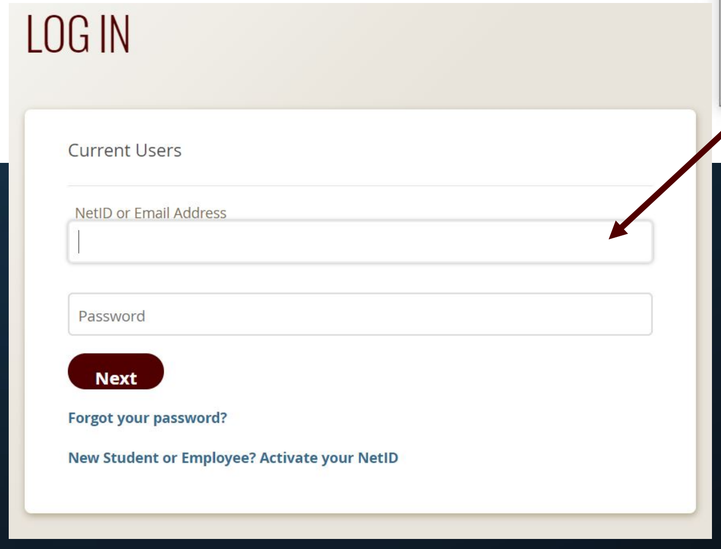
Pivot

Access is provided by the Texas A&M University Division of Research

https://pivot.proquest.com/session/login

Use your TAMU NetID to create account under Texas A&M University-College Station





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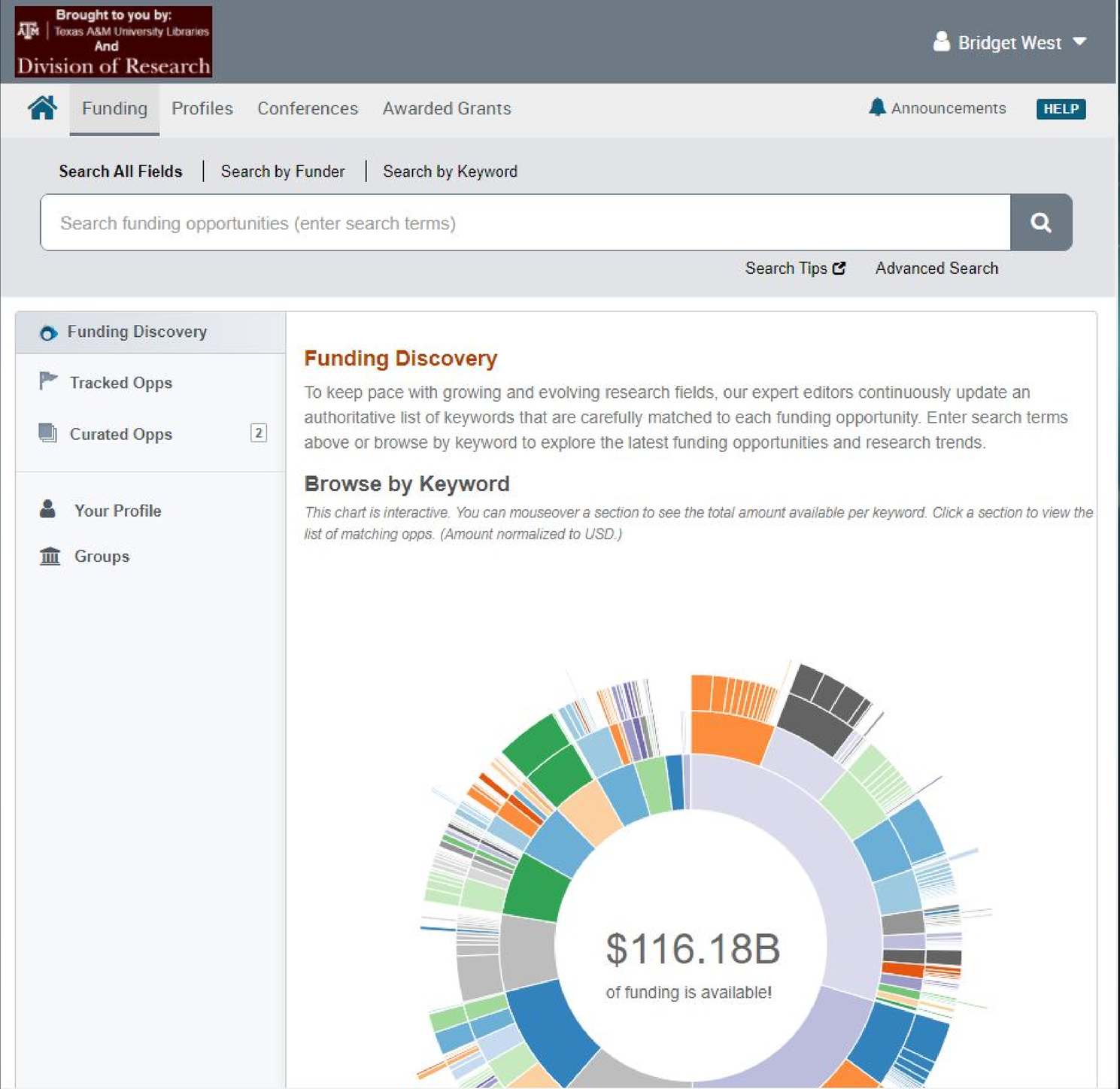
Pivot

1. **Search both US and Foreign funding opportunities.**
2. **See anticipated opportunities.**
3. **Includes student, fellowships, and other types of funding.**
4. **Search conferences and invited papers. Could be useful when trying to collaborate with other investigators on emerging topics (for example AI in Ag)**



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Sponsoring Agency Prospecting

Grant Resources

Funding Search

Award Search

About NIH

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Exploring Funding Opportunities

- Funding emails
  - AgriLife Weekly Newsletter
  - VPR funding news
    - Includes options for Weekly Research Bulletin, Funding Opportunities, Limited Submission Proposals, Research Development Insider
  - Many sponsors also have email lists with news and funding resources
- Professional Development events through VPR
  - Writing seminars for specific sponsors
  - Webinars by Hanover Research
- Sponsor and professional conferences
  - Opportunities can be announced or forecasted at these events

Exploring Funding Opportunities – Reading the RFA

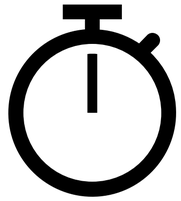
1. Scan for Eligibility
2. Scan for Due Date
3. Scan for Budget Amount or Cost Share
4. Read the Purpose – Can you propose work that will respond to the sponsors needs?
5. Find type of agreement to be awarded
    1. Grant
    2. Cooperative Agreement
    3. Contract
6. All the above look good? Proceed to read the funding opportunity in DETAIL

READ THE RFP!

Ready to submit: Where do I start?

Determine what type of proposal you are submitting and notify the appropriate office.

- Sponsored Research Services submits competitive sponsored research proposals
- AgriLife Contracts Office handles non-sponsored gifts, contracts, and other agreements
  - Includes commodity sponsors, service agreements, and non-competitive industry sponsors
  - Non-Disclosure Agreements (NDA), Material Transfer Agreements (MTAs), and other agreement types.



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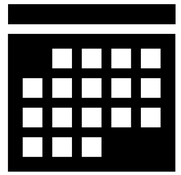
Notify Quickly

Ask Early, Ask Often



Create Timeline

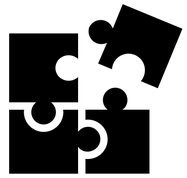
Ready to submit: Other Resources

When should I utilize Corporate Engagement and Research Support?

- Support is available for large multidisciplinary sponsored research proposal development alongside the services SRS provides
- Support is available to assist with corporate partnerships and proposal development alongside and in collaboration with the services AgriLife Contracts provides

What specialized requirements may be part of the proposal?

- Intellectual Property considerations
- AgriLife Research Cloud (ARC)
- AgriLife Digital Education



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Ready to submit: Other Resources

Texas A&M Libraries https://library.tamu.edu/research/

- Research Data Management
  - Tools and templates to create and save data management plans
  - Publish data in the Texas A&M data repository

- Citation Management
  - Tools to simplify preparing your paper, article, report or grant
  - EndNote, RefWorks, Zotero, Mendeley

- Systematic Reviews Service

- Workshops to learn how to use these tools effectively and with long-term benefits

Q&A

Submit through Teams chat
during webinar.

Think of something later?
email us at
grantsteam@ag.tamu.edu

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Guest Speakers

Sponsored Research Services

AgriLife Contracts Office

Corporate Engagement and Research Support

Intellectual Property & Commercialization

AgriLife Research Cloud (ARC)

AgriLife Digital Education

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Maximizing Proposal Resources

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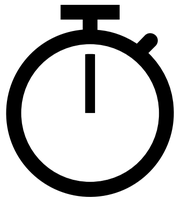

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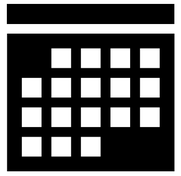

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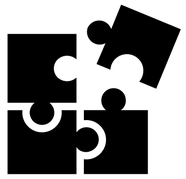

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September 22 – Overview: NSF NIH DOE
September 28 – Early Career Proposals
October 5 – Grant Writing Tips
October 20 – Panel Q&A
October 21 – Overview: USDA

Visit us at cers.tamu.edu/events to register for upcoming workshops.

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