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CLA
UAF College of Liberal Arts
**RESEARCH
NEWS**
March 2011



CLA's FY11 Statistics to 2/28/11

Effort

New proposals submitted n = 35
New dollars sought = \$3,837,062
New ICR sought = \$906,236

Success

New awards received n = 14
New dollars awarded = \$887,685
New indirect cost recovery= \$147,262

CLA Collaborative Efforts

(CLA faculty as Co-I):

Total number of projects proposed = 7

AFES (0)	SOE (0)
CNSM (1)	SOM (0)
GI (0)	SFOS (0)
IAB (4)	
IARC (0)	UAA (1)
INE (1)	UA-Statewide (0)
Total \$ effort to UAF = \$4,745,562	

**CLA Restricted funds activity by
funding source July 1 – January 31:**

State of Alaska (n=6) \$61,177
Federal (n=22) \$960,635
City/Borough (n=0) \$0
Corporations (n=1) \$18,608
UA Foundation (n=10) \$283,617
Other foundation (n=0) \$0
AK Native Orgs (n=0) \$0
Other Non Profit (n=4) \$25,094
Other/Private (n=1) \$97,918
Other University (n=1) \$7,846
Endowment Investment (n=0) \$0
ARRA StimulusFunding (n=4) \$165,223
ARRA Grants&Contracts(n=1) \$12,267
Total active grants & contracts = 50
Total Actual Revenue = \$1,632,379

INSTITUTIONALIZING UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH (UR)

(Excerpted, by permission, from CUR conference report by Gary Holton, Feb. 2011)

In early February an 8-member team from UAF, led by new VCR, Mark Meyers, participated in CUR (Council on Undergraduate Research) workshop on institutionalizing undergraduate research; Gary Holton was CLA's faculty representative. UAF is an institutional member of CUR.

Why do UR? It is increasingly clear that UF is an educational best practice. UR is no longer just an "extra" experience. The factors which most influence student cognitive and behavioral development (more important than studying!) are the nature of their peer group and the amount of contact with the instructor outside the classroom. UR gives students precisely these types of experiences.

UR is coming to UAF. It is important to note that undergraduate research is coming to UAF. Plans are now in place to institutionalize and expand UR across the curriculum.

UR is NOT just for Science. The Arts & Humanities division of CUR defines UR *UR in the arts and humanities is student-driven, faculty-mentored inquiry, scholarly investigation, and/or creative activity. ... Whatever the research product, its value is generally weighed by standards specific to experts in the field, whether jurors, editors, or reviewers.* The current move to institutionalize UR at UAF should not be viewed as a burden but rather as an opportunity for CLA to make others aware of the scholarly inquiry being done by CLA undergrads.

Curriculum changes are coming. This effort is a direct response to accreditation and external evaluations such as the McTaggart report.

Additional opportunities for CLA. One approach that has been advocated and successfully implemented is to develop theme-based research projects across CLA disciplines. Such projects have the additional advantage of helping CLA faculty to bloom where they are planted.

Funding Opportunities – <http://www.uaf.edu/osp/funding-opportunities/>

OSP site includes lists of opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students.

State of Alaska Grants: Request for proposals (changes frequently)

<http://notes3.state.ak.us/pn/pubnotic.nsf/PNByCatActive?OpenView&Start=1&Count=30&Expand=6#6>

National Endowment for the Arts (*too numerous to list here... check the website!*)

<http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/>

Grants for Art projects (many types)..... due August 11, 2011

National Endowment for the Humanities

<http://www.neh.gov> (*too numerous to list here... Check the website!*)

e.g. Preservation & Access research..... due May 19, 2011
e.g. Media makers development grants..... due August 17, 2011
e.g. Bridging cultures through film (Internat'l project)..... due June 29, 2011
e.g. Humanities collections & resources..... due July 20, 2011

National Science Foundation (*too numerous to list here... check the website!*)

<http://www.nsf.gov/funding/> keyword searchable database; alphabetical index
e.g. Archeology & archeometry.....due July 1, 2011

National Institutes of Health <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/oe.htm>

Try the Career Award wizard! <http://grants.nih.gov/training/kwizard/index.htm>

US Dept of Agriculture <http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/funding.cfm>

Many open to liberal arts disciplinary approaches to national needs and problems.
e.g. distance education project grants.....due April 8, 2011
e.g. prevention of childhood obesity.....due May 18, 2011





NEW PROPOSALS

ANTHROPOLOGY

Stefan Krist (Joel Irish)

CGC: Is Health More Important Than Wealth? Traditional Sport Competitions of the Buryats in the Age of Globalization

LINGUISTICS

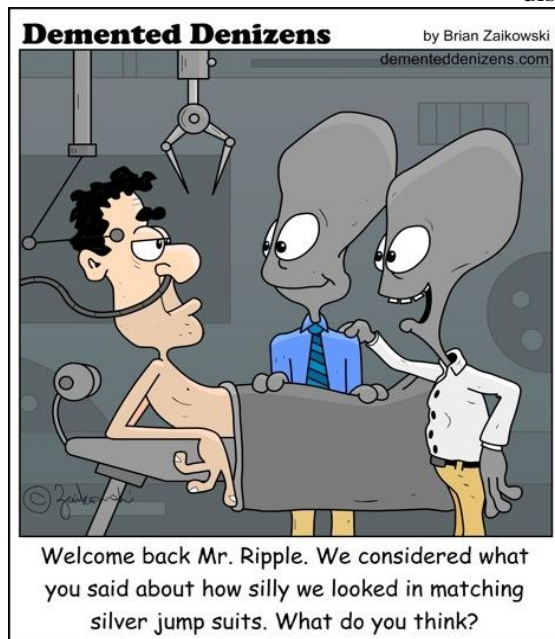
Jonathan Manker (Siri Tuttle)

CGC: Dialectal Variation in the Hän Vowel System

Thank you for making the effort!
Best wishes for your success!

REMINDER! Per UAF policy: ALL proposals and applications for funds to support activities must route through CLA Dean's office en route to other institutional offices. See UAF Policy found here:

<http://www.uaf.edu/osp/policies-and-procedures/>



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<http://www.bztoons.com/>



\$ NEW AWARDS

ANTHROPOLOGY

\$ 40,000 Denali LLC

Ben Potter

Archeological Training (Workforce Development) Project 2011

\$ 50,400 NEH/DEL Fellowship

Mark Sicoli

Lachixio Zapotec Conversations: Audio-Visual Archive and Transcription Collection (zpl) (Individual scholar award)

CONGRATULATIONS!

REMINDER:

Please bring all ORIGINAL award notices to the CLA Dean's Office for award acceptance processes and set-up of funds for you to spend.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

UAF researchers are expected to maintain high professional standards as appropriate for their discipline. Federal regulations,

sponsor requirements, public law should serve as minimum professional standards. It is the responsibility of faculty PIs and student advisors to lead by example and to mentor students, staff, and other trainees in all aspects of responsible conduct of research. A good rule-of-thumb: if you have a relationship with UAF in any capacity, and the research involves human participants (anywhere, anytime) contact the Institutional Review Board for assistance with securing required IRB reviews and protocol approvals. At UAF, only the Office of Research Integrity has the authority to determine whether or not an activity is human subject research.

www.uaf.edu/irb Bridget 474-7800

TELLING YOUR STORY MATTERS

Jeffrey Seligno, Editor, Chronicle of Higher Education, speaking on the topic of "Is the higher education bubble about to burst?" in Washington DC last week reported that those institutions who invest in vigorous public relations demonstrating to price-sensitive students and families that they are paying for high quality education leading to good jobs fared significantly better at preserving and growing student enrollment in these highly competitive and tough economic times.

REMINDER to let Shelbie know of any news and happenings in your department.

DEVELOPMENT "FEATURED FUNDS"

The UA Foundation has several existing fund accounts that directly support CLA students and CLA programs. See: http://www.alaska.edu/files/foundation/UAF_Funds.pdf

An example of one that supports CLA undergraduate research is the **CLA Undergraduate Research Fund (# 20429)**. An example of one that provides for more CLA general support is **Fund (#20721) for College of Liberal Arts**.

ANYONE can contribute.
Thank you for supporting CLA!



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