COVID-19 Information

On March 30, 2020, USDA NIFA issued Coronavirus FAQs. For additional COVID-19 information, visit the UTIA OSP Coronavirus web page.

UT Knoxville Office of Research and Engagement — COVID-19 Funding Opportunities
The UT Knoxville Office of Research and Engagement has set up a page of funding opportunities related to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). The page will be continually updated throughout the coming weeks.

NIFA Resources
COVID-19 FAQs Webinar
See new NIFA AFRI Program Area Priority Code A1711, below.

Deadline extensions for USDA NIFA due to COVID-19
**Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)** FAO’s Big Data Tool on food chains under the COVID-19 pandemic

*UT continues to pursue research and other sponsored activity where work can be done remotely, and/or laboratory-based work is done both with existing safety protocols and practicing of social distancing. Work such as analyzing data, writing and reviewing manuscripts, preparing presentations, developing new grant proposals, convening online discussions with students and lab staff, and online compliance training is strongly advised. See UTIA Lunch & Learn training materials/videos, CITI Training, and K@TE for online learning ideas for you and your team, including students.*

Submission of new proposals is encouraged, and the UTIA Office of Sponsored Programs is able to assist, while conducting work remotely. Should issues arise, please contact Jane Burns at janeburns@utk.edu.

Thank you for continuing to pursue your research, outreach, and scholarly programs with colleagues and students in your research group during these extraordinary times.

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**Federal**

**Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI)**

- Foundational and Applied Science
  - [View Grant Opportunity](#) | [View RFA](#) | [See New Deadlines](#)
- **Education and Workforce Development**
  View Grant Opportunity | View RFA | See New Deadlines

- **Rapid Response to Novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) Impacts Across Food and Agricultural Systems**
  Program Area Priority Code A1711 | Application Deadline: 6/4/20 | View Opportunity | View RFA | Twitter | If you are interested in submitting a proposal email emma.moran@usda for review.

**Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program**
Application Deadline: 6/3/20 | View Opportunity | View RFA

**The Farm Business Management and Benchmarking (FBMB) Competitive Grants Program**
Application Deadline: 6/5/20 | View Opportunity | View RFA

**Food and Agriculture Service Learning Program**
Application Deadline: 6/4/20 | View RFA

**Farm Business Management and Benchmarking Competitive Grants Program**
To improve the farm management knowledge and skills of agricultural producers and maintain the national, publicly available farm financial management database to support improved farm management.
Application Deadline: 6/5/20 | View Opportunity | View RFA

**Crop Protection and Pest Management**
Application Deadline: 6/8/20 | View Opportunity | View RFA

**New Beginning for Tribal Students Programs**
Application Deadline: 6/12/20 | View Opportunity | View RFA

**2020 International Agricultural Education Fellowship Program**
Will provide opportunities to eligible United States citizens to assist developing countries in establishing school-based agricultural education and youth extension programs. The intention of the IAEFP is to develop globally minded US agriculturalists with experience living abroad, focus on meeting the food and fiber needs of the domestic population of eligible countries, and strengthen and enhance trade linkages between eligible countries and the US agricultural industry.
Application Deadline: 6/15/20 | View Opportunity
Food and Agricultural Sciences National Needs Graduate and Postgraduate Fellowships
Designated for graduate degree (master’s and doctoral) programs and postgraduate training of the next generation of policy makers, researchers, and educators in the food and agricultural sciences. Functioning collaboratively with eligible higher education institutions, this competitive grants program develops intellectual capital to ensure the preeminence of US food and agricultural systems. Application Deadline: 6/27/20 | View Opportunity | View RFA

Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network
Application Deadline: 6/23/20 | View Opportunity | View RFA

Equipment Grant Program *(see Limited Submissions Opportunities)*
NOI DUE MAY 12 at NOON | Application Deadline: 6/23/20 | View RFA
Limited to three applications per institution!
- Equipment Grants Program (EGP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
- Join us for the FY 2020 Equipment Grants Program Webinar! May 21, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. ET / 9:00 a.m. CT Register in advance for this meeting.

Renewable Resources Extension Act—National Focus Fund Projects (RREA_NFF)
Application Deadline 6/28/20 | View Opportunity | View RFA

Land Grant University Impacts
Demonstrating the Value of land-grant Extension program impacts.

View Additional NIFA Funding Opportunities

USDA Announces Survey to Evaluate Performance Measures for Grant Programs
The online survey will allow stakeholders to provide feedback. Take the Survey Here

Scientific Exchanges Initiative
Application Deadline: 5/29/20 | View Opportunity

2020 Borlaug Fellowship Program World Food Prize Event
Reissued due to COVID-19 The selected award recipient will collaborate with FAS Global Programs, Fellowship Programs staff members to organize and execute two workshops adjacent to the annual World Food Prize Borlaug Dialogue: the USDA Borlaug Fellowship Program World Food Prize Event (Event), from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, October 12, 2020, and a formal breakfast workshop from approximately 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for fellows and their mentors, featuring a USDA principal. Place: Des Moines, Iowa
Application Deadline: 6/5/20 | View Opportunity

2020 Soil Science Collaborative Research Proposals
Announcing the potential availability of funding for agreements for the purposes of promoting research collaboration between the NRCS Soil and Plant Science Division (SPSD) and university cooperators on significant national issues; providing technology transfer and training for NRCS staff; assisting in training of students in soil science and related fields.
Application Deadline: 6/11/20 | View Opportunity

SNAP-2020
Application Deadline: 6/15/20 | View RFA

Dairy Business Innovation Initiatives

NRCS’s Conservation Innovation Grants FY 2020

2020 Cochran Fellowship Program
Application Deadline: 9/30/20 | View Opportunity

Golden Field Office
Bioenergy and Advanced Manufacturing FOA Bottle
Application Deadline: 6/18/20 | View Opportunity

Covid-19 Guidance for Implementing Partners
The Health, Ecosystems and Agriculture for Resilient, Thriving Societies (HEARTH)
Agency for International Development
Application Deadline: 6/15/20 | View Opportunity

Tick-Borne Disease, Idea Development Award
Application Deadline: 8/27/20 | View Opportunity

Innovations in Nutrition Programs and Services – Demonstration
Application Deadline: 5/26/20 | View Opportunity 323946
FY 2020–Recovery Challenge Fund
Application Deadline: 6/4/20 | View Opportunity

2020 Bureau of Land Management National Operations Center (BLM NOC) Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Program Management
Application Deadline: 6/1/20 | View Opportunity

Declaration and Water Purification Research Program Pitch to Pilot for FY 2020
The objectives are to develop innovative and disruptive new technologies or processes:

- To treat brackish groundwater in a less energy-intensive way than current processes and technologies.
- Manage reverse osmosis/nanofiltration concentrate by reducing cost, energy, and/or environmental impacts.
- Improve efficiency of water treatment processes—either by improvements to pretreatment, post-treatment, monitoring, sensors, or other innovative process/technology.
- To address costs, energy usage, and/or environmental impacts of seawater desalination, including intakes and/or outfalls.
- To reduce the costs, energy requirements, and/or environmental impacts of treating impaired and unusable water to standards necessary for an identified beneficial use.

Application deadline: 6/17/20 | Bureau of Reclamation | View Opportunity

Aquatic Invansive Species Competitive Grants Program
Objectives of this program announcement include the following: A. Promote aquatic invasive species research as related to hydrodynamics, water quality, and/or social science in the Upper Mississippi River basin to address a critical need for this state multi-state research. B. Promote the dissemination and application of the results of the research funded under this program. C. Assist in the training of scientists in relevant water resource fields. Proposals that include a strong educational component (student support) are encouraged, as
are proposals from faculty beginning their careers. 
Application Deadline: 6/11/20 | View Opportunity

FY 2020 Candidate Conservation Action Funds
Application Deadline: 9/4/20 (see opportunity for more details) | View Opportunity

Cooperative Agreement to Support FDA Land and Water Initiative
Application Deadline: 6/1/20 | RFA-FD-20-034

Drug Development Science Support
Application Deadline: 6/8/20 | RFA-FD-20-033

Vet-LIRN Network Capacity-Building Projects
Application Deadline: 9/20/23 | PAR-18-604

NSF Coronavirus Information
NSF is accepting proposals to conduct non-medical, non-clinical-care research that can be used immediately to explore how to model and understand the spread of COVID-19, to inform and educate about the science of virus transmission and prevention, and to encourage the development of processes and actions to address this global challenge.

NSF Electronic Research Administration Forum Webinar
The topics for this forum webinar will cover: the new requirement beginning June 1, 2020, to use an NSF-approved format for the Biographical Sketch and Current and Pending Support sections of NSF proposals; the new Award Notice; and a Research.gov Demo of Separately Submitted Collaborative proposals from Multiple Organizations. 
6/14/20 from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. eastern time | Register Now

Hydrolics Sciences
Proposals Accepted Anytime | NSF 20-560

Division of Integrative Organismal Systems Core Programs
Application Deadline: Accepted Anytime | View Grant Opportunity | NSF 20-536

Signals in the Soil
Application Deadline: 5/20/20 | NSF 20-548

Small Research Grant Program
This program supports projects that can be carried out in a short period of time with limited resources. It supports different types of projects including pilots and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self contained research projects; development of research methodology; and development of new research technology.
Application Deadline: 6/16/20 | PA-20-200

Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER)
Proposal Deadline: 7/27/20 | View Grant Opportunity | NSF 50-525

ADVANCE: Organizational Change for Gender Equity in STEM Academic Professions
LOI Deadline: 8/3/20 | Application Deadline: 8/7/20 | NSF 20-554

Advancing Digitization of Biodiversity Collections
Application Deadline: 10/9/20 | View Grant Opportunity | NSF 15-576

Research Initiation in Engineering Formation
Application Deadline: 11/10/20 | NSF 20-558

Plant Synthetic Biology
Full Proposals Accepted Anytime | NSF 20-045

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19): Information for NIH Applicants and Recipients
Shared Instrumentation for Animal Research (SIFAR)
Application Deadline: 6/1/20 | PAR-20-112

Development of Wearable Smart Devices for Continuous Monitoring of Circulating Nutrients, Metabolites, and Hormones
Application Deadline: 6/8/2021 | PAR-20-134

Research Projects to Improve the Predictive Value of Animal Models in Recapitulating Human Immunity to Influenza Infection and Vaccination
Application Deadline: 6/18/2021 | PAR-19-247

Competing Revisions to Existing NIH Grants and Cooperative Agreements
Application Deadline: 3/16/2023 | PA-20-163

Opportunity for Individuals
Supplementary Grants for Researchers with Family Commitments
Expiration Date: 3/6/23 | View Opportunity

NIH announces $1 million prize competition to target global disease diagnostic
View Opportunity

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A Closer Look at Farmer Relief in Senate Pandemic Aid Package

State

Agriculture Enterprise Fund
Application Deadline: 6/19/20 | View Grant Opportunity
Foundations and Nonprofit

2021 Small Animal Theriogenology Residency Program
Application Deadline: 5/21/20 | View Grant Opportunity

Do Dog Breeds Differ in Pain Sensitivity?
Application Deadline: 02/28/22 | View Opportunity 02797

The Conservation, Food and Health Foundation
Concept notes due: 07/01/20 | Proposal Deadline: 9/3/20 | View Opportunity

Want to take a deeper dive into the role veterinary science plays in combating coronavirus pandemics? FFAR's Advanced Animal Systems’ Tim Kurt penned an article featured in Agri-Pulse explaining how these outbreaks occur and how to mitigate future pandemics.

FFAR’s Open Opportunities in light of COVID-19.

Vet Fellows
Summer fellowship opportunity for up to ten veterinary students to pursue research at the intersection of global food security and sustainable animal production.
Nomination period closes May 27, 2020. | View Opportunity

FFAR Veterinary Student Research Fellowships Summer 2020
Provides support for veterinary students to pursue research and gain experience in the agricultural sciences.
Nomination Period Closes: 5/6/20 | Full Proposal Invitation and Full Applications: 5/27/20 | View Opportunity

Seeding Solutions
An open call for applications for innovative and transformative research proposals that further the Challenge Areas and foster unique partnerships.
Application Deadline: 6/24/20 | View RFA

Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation

2020 Projects
Application Deadline: 10/1/20 | How to Apply

Opportunity for Individuals
2020 Research Career Development Awards—Storm Cat Award and Elaine and Bertram Klein Development Award
Application Deadline: 11/2/20 | View Opportunity

Morris Animal Foundation Announces Call for Large Animal Proposals: Now Open
Application Deadline: 7/8/20 | View Opportunity | Apply Here

Call for Feline Behavior Research Proposals for Mark L. Morris Jr. Investigator Award
Aimed to address environmental, social, and emotional risk factors for health and welfare in cats.
Global Ideas for US Solutions: Cities Taking-Action to Address Health, Equity, and Climate Change

We’re seeking proposals that foster learning and stimulate action in US cities around smart, effective approaches from abroad that mitigate the unequal health risks posed by climate change. Specifically, we’re seeking proposals that explore changes in city planning, policies, and programs that address buildings and energy; land use and urban planning; transportation; waste; food systems and food security; and air quality.

Application Deadline: 5/28/20 | View Opportunity

Well-being Support Fund Application

The SAVMA Well-being Committee is offering funding to veterinary students and veterinary school organizations that wish to promote physical, mental, and emotional health at their college of veterinary medicine.

Application Deadline: 7/1/20 | View Opportunity

Internal Funding

Office of Research & Engagement Internal Funding
Additional Opportunities:

- **Pivot Funding Opportunities** (Create your account)
- **Office of Sponsored Programs** (Funding Opportunities to Consider)
- **Hanover Higher Education Research Grant Alerts** (Research Funding Opportunities)
  This [resource center](https://mailchi.mp/c8620cfc190b/osp-newsletter-05-12?e=1b92548c60) link provides weekly updates. They have also set up a COVID-19 support email ([covid19-support@hanoverresearch.com](mailto:covid19-support@hanoverresearch.com)).

*Please send suggestions and additional funding opportunities to [aggrant@tennessee.edu](mailto:aggrant@tennessee.edu).*

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