

NewsFlash!

Announcement: We are pleased to announce two updates and enhancements to our research administration training program, [The Cardinal & Gold Curriculum](#). The first is an update to the elective course, *Navigating the National Science Foundation*, and the second is a brand new elective course entitled *The Story of Subawards*. The courses are now available and support our continued efforts to provide high-quality, up-to-date training to the research community. Below are brief descriptions of each course:

The Story of Subawards

This brand new course will demystify the process of proposing, awarding and managing an outgoing subaward and highlight major issues at the Pre-Award and Post-Award stages. Topics include distinguishing between subaward & vendor, budgeting subawards, subrecipient monitoring, reviewing subrecipient invoices and subaward closeout.

Navigating the National Science Foundation

This course will help you navigate the policies, procedures and regulations specific to the National Science Foundation (NSF). The class includes a demonstration of Fastlane and highlights important NSF-specific issues including a review of NSF proposal forms, solicitations, budget restrictions, prior approvals, cost sharing, annual and final project reports, and post-award notifications and requests. *The course has been updated to highlight recent changes to the NSF Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG), effective January 25, 2016.*

The above two courses are part of the overall [13 courses](#) that makeup the C&G Curriculum. The topics covered in the C&G Curriculum range from general and introductory concepts in research administration to USC-specific processes, systems and policies. Offered free of charge, the C&G Curriculum enables USC faculty and staff to earn a certificate demonstrating expertise in the area of research administration.

Registering for Courses

- New users can register for the C&G Curriculum by following the directions [here](#).
- Returning C&G graduates who have already completed the online program can launch either of the above courses by following the directions [here](#).

For more information, please visit the C&G Curriculum [website](#) or contact [Noah Congelli](#) in the Department of Contracts and Grants.

We appreciate you forwarding this message to any faculty or staff in your department who may be interested in the courses and/or program.