



# Postdoctoral Funding at UC Merced

# General Tips and Considerations

- Read the instructions and solicitation multiple times
- Familiarize yourself with the sponsor website and tools
- Know when and from whom signatures are required
- Know who is submitting to the sponsor. You? UCM?
- What costs are allowable?
- To whom is the award issued?
- Do not include cost-share if it is not allowed
- Be sure that your budget clearly supports your scope of work

# Budget

- Personnel
  - ▣ Fixed stipend
  - ▣ Non-stipend
- Composite Benefit Rates
- Equipment (>\$5,000)
- Travel
- Participant Support
- Supplies
- Students
- Facilities and Administration Rate (IDC/Overhead/etc)

# Budget Justification

- Clearly explain all costs
- Understand which cost categories require additional justification
- Be sure that the figures used in your budget match the figures in your justification
- Review your scope of work to be sure you didn't include something that should be in your budget or justification

# Who Does What at UCM?



# Your School/Department

- Department Research Administrators
  - ▣ Assist with proposal preparation and coordination with central offices
    - SNS - <http://naturalsciences.ucmerced.edu/grants>
    - SOE - <http://engineering.ucmerced.edu/about/staff>
    - SSHA - <http://ssha.ucmerced.edu/about/administrative-resources/operations>
  - ▣ Consult your advisor

# Sponsored Research Services

- Proposal Team – [proposals@ucmerced.edu](mailto:proposals@ucmerced.edu)
  - ▣ Review and Submission of proposals
  
- Awards Team – [awards@ucmerced.edu](mailto:awards@ucmerced.edu)
  - ▣ Just in Time requests
  - ▣ Award negotiation and acceptance
  - ▣ Account setup and management

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**Thank**

**You!**  
we're your biggest fans!