

# Cayuse SP & 424: Submitting a Proposal as a Subawardee/Subrecipient

Campus Training Session

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# Training Outline

- Overview of Subawards
- (incoming) Subawards
  - Proposal Process
  - Required Elements/Documents
- Hands-on Lab
- Q&A
- Resources

# Handouts

- Class Workbook
- Handbook for Submitting a Proposal as a Subawardee Institution
- Subaward vs. Contractor/Vendor Guidance



# Learning Objectives

- Know the **definition** of a Subaward
- Understand how UC Davis treats **incoming and outgoing Subawards**
- Know how to **submit a proposal as a Subrecipient institution**



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# OVERVIEW OF SUBAWARDS



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# Subawards

- **Scope of Work:**
  - Is intellectually significant and separable from the overall project
  - Could result in intellectual property or publishable results (including co-authorship)
  - Requires animal and/or human subjects' approval
- The entity has programmatic decision-making
- Subawards are processed by Sponsored Programs

# Contractor/Vendor Agreements

- Contractor/vendor:
  - May be an individual or sole proprietor; a university and the transactions are done via recharge rates, through service agreements or through other sponsored activity agreements; OR a professional consultant OR is not significantly involved in the use of their own computers/equipment for similar work to that of UC Davis personnel, including in a school/college
  - Does not have a PI on the proposal
  - Provides similar goods or services within normal business operations or to many purchasers
  - Operates in a competitive environment
  - Does not have programmatic decision-making
- Scope of Work:
  - Does not reflect a specific, clearly defined, intellectually significant part of the scope of work of the sponsor's award to UC Davis
- The goods/services are:
  - Off-the-shelf or specialized services that are commercially available, usually at a fixed price or rate
  - Ancillary to UC Davis' sponsored project
    - Not subject to the sponsor's compliance requirements
    - Not the fabrication of equipment or components of equipment (unless fabricating specialized equipment for the project's scope of work or to meet sponsor deliverables)
  - A survey using de-identified data; not requiring IRB approval
  - A test on data provided by UC Davis and the results are given to UC Davis to analyze and/or they provide result analyzation as a routine professional service
  - Routine in nature and follow established or previously invited/discovered procedures

Submit to Business & Revenue Contacts

# Outgoing Subaward = Subawards

Tier 1: Prime Sponsor – NSF, NIH or other funding entity

Tier 2: Prime Applicant/Recipient – UC Davis (Flow-through entity)

Tier 3: Subrecipient – Usually another university or research institution



# Incoming Subawards = Treated as Regular Proposals/Awards

Tier 1: Prime Sponsor – NSF, NIH or other funding entity

Tier 2: Prime Applicant/Recipient – Usually another university or research institution; listed as Sponsor in Cayuse SP IPF

Tier 3: Subrecipient – UC Davis

# Key Terms

## Subrecipient

- Submits proposal to Prime Applicant/Recipient
- Receives subaward from Prime Applicant (Sponsor) if funded
- If UC Davis is the Prime Applicant, the subrecipient is added as a Subcontractor on the Cayuse SP Internal Processing Form (IPF)

## Prime Applicant/Recipient

- Submits proposal to Prime Sponsor
- Issues subawards once funded
- **If UC Davis is the subrecipient, the Prime Applicant is listed as the Sponsor on the Cayuse SP IPF**

## Sponsor

- Receives proposal from Prime Applicant
- Makes funding decision
- **If UC Davis is the subrecipient, the Sponsor is listed as the Prime Sponsor on the Cayuse SP IPF**

# Key Terms

## Prime Award

- Award funded by the (Prime) Sponsor and provided to the Prime Applicant
- **If UC Davis is the subrecipient, this would be the award provided to the institution to which we applied**
- If UC Davis is the Prime Applicant, this would be the award provided to UC Davis

## Lead Project Director/Principal Investigator (PD/PI)

- Lead Principal Investigator (PI) for the entire sponsored project
- **If UC Davis is the subrecipient, this would be the Lead PI at the Prime Applicant institution**
- If UC Davis is the Prime Applicant, this would be the UC Davis Lead PI

## Site Project Director/Principal Investigator

- PI at the subrecipient institution
- **If UC Davis is the subrecipient, this would be the UC Davis PI**
- If UC Davis is the Prime Applicant, this would be Lead PI at the subrecipient institution

# INCOMING SUBAWARDS



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# Proposal Process Timeline

5-7 days before Prime Applicant deadline

- Full proposal package arrives in SPO for review

SPO Initial Review

2-3 days before Prime Applicant deadline

- PI/Department incorporates SPO feedback
- PI/Department finalizes proposal package

SPO Finalizes Proposal Package

1-2 days before Prime Applicant deadline

- Submit final proposal to sponsor
- Note: SPO submits electronic proposals

# Required Elements

Completed and fully-routed Cayuse SP Internal Processing Form (IPF)

- Lead Principal Investigator and Investigator Certifications
- IPF Approver Authorizations
- Prime Applicant listed as the Sponsor
- Funding Sponsor/Agency listed as the Prime Sponsor

The following documents must be uploaded in Cayuse SP before submitting for routing:

- Sponsor and/or program guidelines
- Prime applicant guidelines and deadline materials are due to them
- UC Davis Scope of Work (draft)
- UC Davis Budget and Budget Justification; strongly encouraged even when not a sponsor requirement
- Internal documents, as applicable
  - PI Exception Requests
  - Cost-sharing Commitment Letters

# Proposal Review

## University and Campus Requirements

- IPF Certifications and Approvals
- Budget and Budget Justification
  - Accurate F&A Rate and Base
  - Accurate calculations
  - Allowable and allocable costs
  - Budget and budget justification match
- Scope of Work

## Sponsor and Program Administrative Compliance

- Required proposal components
- Eligibility
- Budget limitations and other restrictions

# SPO Proposal Review

## Regulatory Compliance

- Human and/or animal subjects
- Stem Cells
- Biohazardous materials
- Human anatomical specimens

## Financial Conflicts of Interest and other compliance items, if applicable

- Form 800 e-disclosure
- PHS e-disclosure and online training



# Award Process



# SPO Award Review

The assigned SPO award analyst will review:

- Required proposal documents
  - To ensure all required documents were received and request them if not
- Outstanding compliance documents
  - To ensure all required compliance items are in place
- The award agreement:
- To ensure it is acceptable under UC and UC Davis policies and regulations
- For potential conflicts with the Principles Regarding Rights to Future Research Results in University Agreements with External Parties
- SPO will negotiate acceptable terms and conditions with sponsor if needed
- May require additional time

# HANDS-ON LAB



# Activity: Submitting a Proposal as a Subrecipient

- Complete Activity 1 (starting on Workbook Page 7)
- Complete Activity 2 (starting on Workbook Page 10)
  - Let me know when you complete step 11 and I will



**Questions?**

# RESOURCES



# Handbooks and Toolkits

- [Handbook for Submitting a Proposal as a Subawardee Institution](#)
- [Quick Start Guide for Accessing Awards \(incoming subawards\)](#)
- [Handbook for Department Contract & Grant Staff, Principal Investigators and Approvers](#)

# Websites and Forms

- [Cayuse Research Suite](#)
- [UC Davis Cayuse User Guides and Videos](#)
- [Cayuse Research Suite Support Center](#)
- [Subaward or Contractor/Vendor Guidance](#)
- [Sponsored Programs Training](#)



# Email Addresses and Listservs

- Sponsored Programs Cayuse Help Desk: [ORCayuseHelp@ucdavis.edu](mailto:ORCayuseHelp@ucdavis.edu)
- Sponsored Programs eRA Help Desk: [SPOeRAHelp@ucdavis.edu](mailto:SPOeRAHelp@ucdavis.edu)
  - For non-Cayuse issues
- SPARK Listserv: [https://lists.ucdavis.edu/sympa/info/spark\\_info](https://lists.ucdavis.edu/sympa/info/spark_info)
- C&G Listserv: <https://lists.ucdavis.edu/sympa/info/ovcr-cg>
- Grant Coordinators Network (GCN) Listserv: <https://lists.ucdavis.edu/sympa/info/gcn>