National Grantsmanship Workshop: A Focus on Partnerships

On December 11, 2012, NIFA national program leaders, in partnership with the University of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Greensboro NC, are offering the fourth in a series of 1-day national workshops covering the preparation and management of competitively awarded grants. In the past, this workshop series has targeted applicants to NIFA grant programs that involve systems-based approaches, transdisciplinary teams, and integrated research and extension, e.g., the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education program, the Specialty Crop Research Initiative, the Organic Research and Extension Initiative, and the Organic Transitions Program. Because no other NIFA grantsmanship workshop has been scheduled this year, the NC A&T workshop will be broader in scope than others in this series.

This year’s program will cover a number of new topics. New speakers will offer unique perspectives and dialog (via panel discussions) on thinking like a peer-review panelist, integrating research, education and extension, writing impact statements, and forming public-private partnerships and making them work. Audience participation will include both on-site and remote attendees. The program will be hosted on the NC A&T campus in Greensboro NC; however, remote participants will have the option of viewing a live webcast, or accessing an archived version for post-workshop viewing. Registration is free, but advance sign-up is strongly encouraged to aid planning. Space is very limited for those wishing to be part of the on-site audience. To view the agenda and register for the meeting, visit the NC A&T workshop website.

The registration and agenda information is in the left column of the webpage. Please note that the agenda is a draft and a more complete version will be posted soon. This event is modeled after three previous, highly successful and well received webinars that were hosted by Cornell University (2009), Washington State University (2010), and University of Tennessee-Knoxville (2011).

More information can also be found here:

http://www.nifa.usda.gov/business/training/cpworkshops.html