

Presentation to Health Science Faculty

Chitra Rajan, PhD

Associate Vice President for Research Advancement

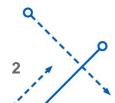
University at Buffalo The State University of New York

# **ORA'S MISSION**

# **Assist UB faculty obtain external funding**

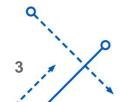
ORA assists UB faculty from across all departments with their proposals, no matter how big or small, to any federal / state funding agency.

- 1. Make it easier for faculty to submit proposals
- 2. Help faculty to write proposals
- 3. Assist faculty to improve the quality of their proposals and increase the rate of success.



### **ORA** MAKES IT EASIER FOR FACULTY TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS

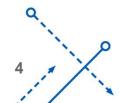
- ✓ Help understand/ identify key requirements of a solicitation
- Review solicitation and create detailed checklists
- ✓ Coordinate with all partnering institutions
- ✓ Assist with all supplemental documents: resumes, letters of support, facilities-related documents, budget justification, etc.
- ✓ Guide data management and sharing plans
- ✓ Help with the internal routing



### **ORA** MAKES IT EASIER FOR FACULTY TO WRITE PROPOSALS

# **Proposal Writing Series** –key features include:

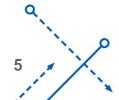
- ✓ Provide grant-writing guidance based on review criteria
- ✓ Facilitate the development of well-articulated, proposal sections
- ✓ Aid in creating clear, concise, and compelling Project Narratives
- ✓ Edit works-in-progress through an iterative process
- ✓ Participants complete key components of the proposal package by the end of the workshop series



#### **ORA** HELPS FACULTY <u>IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF PROPOSALS</u>

## Scientific Editing helps develop clear content:

- ✓ Work alongside proposal writing teams to develop the Project Narrative via an iterative write and review process
- ✓ Help develop strategies for revising and resubmitting proposals.
- ✓ Assist with incorporating reviewer comments into proposal drafts for resubmissions



# .... improve the quality of proposals

# Compliance and Copy Editing will make sure:

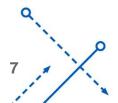
- ✓ The proposal is compliant with solicitation guidelines
- ✓ The technical documents meet solicitation requirements and page limits
- ✓ The entire proposal flows well and 'reads with one voice'



# .... improve the quality of proposals

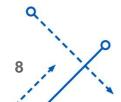
**Developmental Editing**. This service is especially helpful for large-scale proposals.

- ✓ Comprehensive proposal editing services for technical and narrative documents.
- ✓ Work alongside the PI and provide iterative editing to assist with proposal development.



# .... improve the quality of proposals

- *Graphics Design.* Create comprehensive proposal visuals (i.e., org charts, timelines, work plans, project organization, etc.).
- Specialized Grant Support Services. Consultation and development of Project Evaluation, Management Plan(s), and Research Impacts (Broader Impacts, DEI plans).



#### **ORA** SUPPORTS LARGE-SCALE PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT

- Assist with team building and full proposal coordination
- Manage all components of the proposal application (CVs, support documents, letters, ...)
- Work alongside the faculty to write and develop the non-technical proposal sections (e.g., project management plans, project evaluation plans, data management plans, etc.)
- Work in parallel with proposal team members on Broader Impacts, DEI, and external engagement sections of the proposal
- Provide full editing services, including Developmental Editing
- Assist with graphics and non-technical sections of the proposal q

#### **ORA'S GOALS**

# Enable faculty, <u>at every stage of their career,</u> to obtain external funding

- Assist early-career faculty master the skills of writing successful proposals and obtain external funding
- Offer appropriate support for faculty with limited experience with proposals
- Foster development toward research leadership
- Support comprehensive services for team building and largescale proposals

#### How can ORA serve you?

- What kind of programs/services/information would you benefit from? What else can we offer to assist you with proposal writing and development?
- Are you interested in joining large-scale proposal efforts? What would be the best way to share information with you?
- Is there interest in participating in SUNY-wide initiatives? (e.g., D.C. events, connecting with other SUNY campuses, etc.)?

### **To Contact ORA:**

Please send an email to ubgrants@buffalo.edu

Thank you!