National Science Foundation (NSF) Fellowship Workshop

Attention first and second year doctoral students! The NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) is an excellent source of funding for students in a range of sciences. The GRFP (https://www.nsfgrfp.org) provides a three-year annual stipend of $34,000 as well as a $12,000 allowance for tuition and fees (paid to the institution).

The Center for Translational Neuroscience (CTN) is pleased to announce its second annual NSF GRFP Workshop this Fall, open to all UO students who are eligible for the GRFP and planning to apply. The workshop will consist of three sessions prior to the late October submission deadlines. Most successful GRFP applications undergo a thoughtful revision process, and the CTN is excited to provide a forum for the work.

**Session 1** (Mon. 9/24*, 10AM-noon) will be an informational session where you will learn who can apply, why you might want to apply, what sorts of proposals are the best fit for NSF GRFP fellowships (as well as what proposals are unlikely to succeed!), and what the application entails. You will also hear from past NSF GRFP recipients from several departments at UO about their application processes. In advance of this session you will prepare a prospectus on the topic you are interested in pursuing.

**Session 2** (Mon. 10/1*, 9AM-noon*) will be an in-depth writing workshop. You will arrive with a drafted research statement and will receive feedback from peers and facilitators, preparing you to continue your revisions before the final session.

**Session 3** (Mon. 10/15*, 10AM-noon) will be a second, shorter writing workshop during which you can receive feedback about the final version of your statement.

Facilitators of this workshop will include Dr. Elliot Berkman, Dr. Jennifer Pfeifer, and NSF recipient Lauren Kahn. In addition, current NSF GRFP recipients from psychology, chemistry, physics, and others will provide mentoring to participants.

**IMPORTANT:** Interested students should first speak to their advisor about whether participation in this workshop is a good fit. Participation is free to all, but please note that participants must participate in all three of the workshop sessions, and that a substantial time commitment outside of the workshop session to work on the application is expected to produce the best results. **Registration is required by Monday, Sept 3 at 5pm.** Register here: https://goo.gl/forms/F9LciGSIrM73Azdx2

*Times subject to change, but will likely be M or F mornings of Weeks 1, 2, and 4.