

# Update on Activities Office of Research

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# General Perspective

- 2017 Research Excellence Plan
  - Guide for activities and priorities
  - Progress in most areas
  - Goal: Strengthen UWM's Research
- Acknowledge two things
  - Limited resources
  - Increasing demands
- How to proceed?
  - Target use of resources
  - Improve Effectiveness & Efficiency
  - Flexibility over long term

# Major Directions

- Research Planning Activities
  - Campus level
  - School/College level
- Office of Research grant support functions
  - Office of Sponsored Programs and Shared Services
- Internal Development Programs
  - Reconfiguration of internal programs
  - Collaborative Research
- Research Compliance
  - Increasing demands from federal agencies, State, Board of Regents
  - Increasing complexity

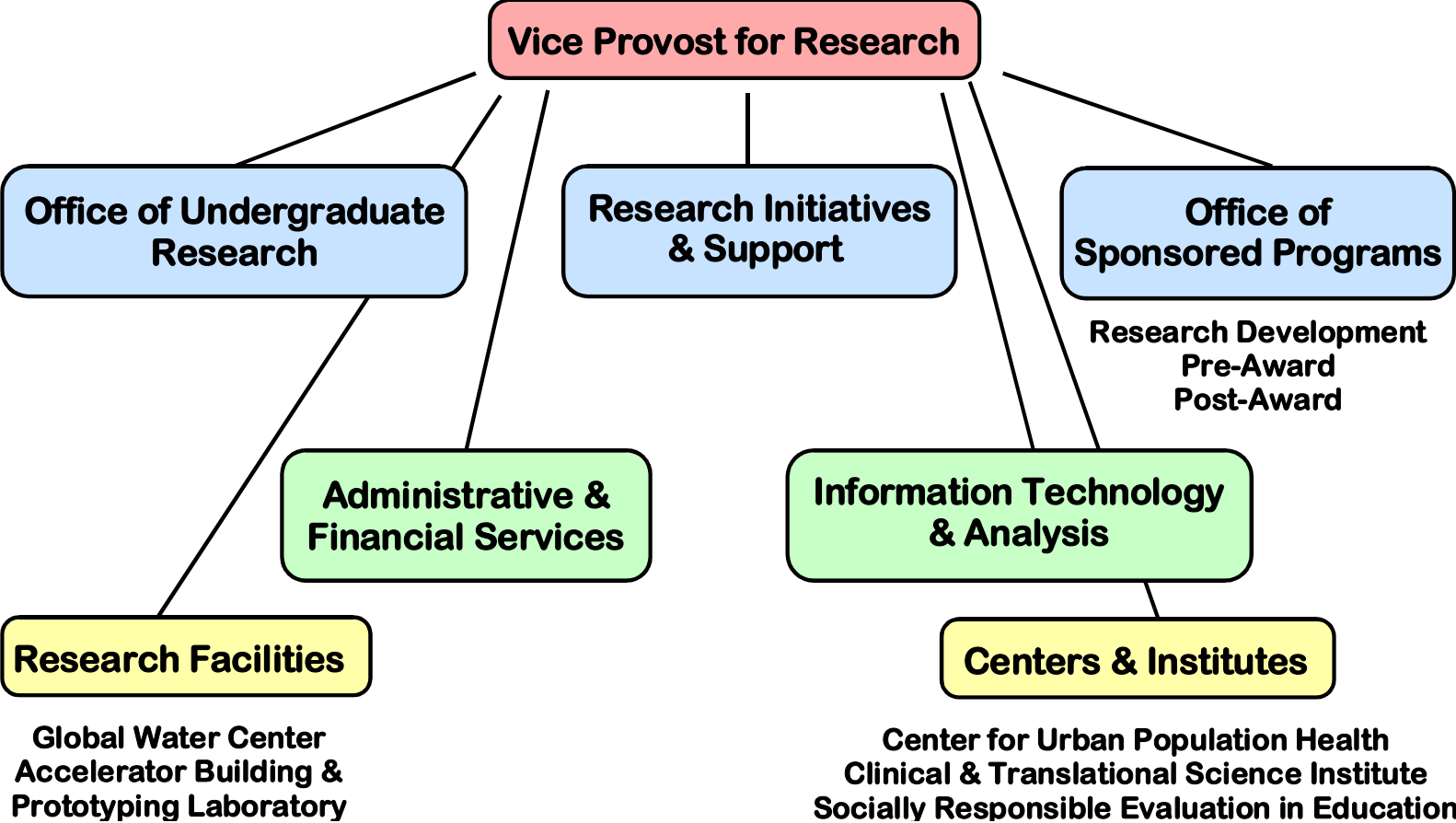
# Research Planning

- Update to Campus Plan
  - Working group currently revisiting
  - Dean/associate deans/chairs input
    - Collaborative Research
    - Undergraduate Research
    - Workforce Development for Research
- School and College plans
  - Development started in Spring 2018 at the request of the Provost
  - First draft in January 2019
  - Most been through two versions and reviews
  - Draft #3 was due end January 2020 – half submitted

# School & College Research Plans

- Challenges
  - Financial constraints
  - Balance teaching, research and service
- Forward-looking Elements
  - Research Objectives
  - Research Development
    - Need to focus research programs (“themes”)
    - Collaborations and Partnerships
    - Research Centers and Institutes as collaborative foci
    - Unit-level incentives for research (including “workload”)
  - Doctoral program development
  - Linkages to undergraduate education
  - Additional opportunities to enhance revenues
- Main Shortcomings
  - Lack of tangible action plans linked to objectives
  - Need more work with planning committees, faculty, staff

# Office of Research



# Office of Sponsored Programs

- Staffing
  - New Interim Director: Kate Mollen
  - New Contract Specialist: Anne Kissack
- Roles & Responsibilities
  - Basis for working with units and faculty
  - Service expectations
- Relationships with shared service hubs
  - Less diffuse points-of-service for researchers
  - Improve consistency of post-award functions

# Internal Programs

- Internal Program Revisions
  - Discovery and Innovation Grants (DIG)
  - Advancing Research and Creativity (ARC) Grants
  - Team Initiation Program (TIP) Awards
  - Research Travel Awards
  - Support for Undergraduate Research Fellows (SURF)
- Incorporated the former UW-College campuses



# Emphasis on Collaborative Research

- Workshops: 25-30% of faculty
- Grant Program for Team Development
  - 13 awards to date
- Research Centers
  - Reviews under 2016 policy
  - Beginning of restructuring toward team research
  - Cross-disciplinary focus of CTSI, CUPH
- School and College Level
  - Strategies that reflect the needs of disciplines
  - Topic-driven research groups
  - Increase in groups approaching OoR for support

# Research Compliance

- Roles and Responsibilities
- OAR, FCOI and COC
  - Significant push from Regents
- Research Data Security and Intellectual Property Protection
  - National, System and Institutional concerns
- Export Controls
  - Very low level at present
  - Expect to grow

# Moving Forward

- Research Plans
  - School/College Research Plans
  - Working Group revisiting campus Research Excellence Plan
- Office of Sponsored Programs
  - Restoring staff levels
  - Roles & Responsibilities and associated service expectations
- Internal Research Support Programs
  - Continue to develop collaborative research
  - Assess internal funding program
- Compliance
  - Working Group on improving Research Data Security and Protection of Intellectual Property
  - Possible OAR and COI changes

# Coronavirus

- Academic Affairs: Academic Continuity Planning
- OoR: Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Updates Related to Sponsored Programs

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**Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Updates Related to Sponsored Programs**

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Check here for updates regarding how COVID-19 is affecting sponsored programs at UWM. If you have any information to share, please e-mail us at [grant-notice@uwm.edu](mailto:grant-notice@uwm.edu).

### Resources

TITLE	DESCRIPTION
<a href="#">National Science Foundation Statement on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)</a>	NSF actions in response to COVID-19. <i>(Issued March 9)</i>
<a href="#">NIH Late Application Policy Due to COVID-19 (March 9)</a>	NIH special provisions implemented in response to COVID-19. <i>(Issued March 9)</i>

**Important Updates**

**Coronavirus Updates Related to Sponsored Programs**

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**New to UWM?**

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**Research Portal**

Award Management

Budget Development & Approval

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Post-Award Administration