



HOW TO SIGN UP FOR COMMUNITY OF SCIENCE (COS)

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs announces a comprehensive, global database available to faculty and staff to assist them with searching for funding opportunities for research and other programs.

The Community of Science (COS) online database is a clearinghouse for up-to-the-minute funding information from federal, state, local, foundation, corporation and other funding sources. COS is not limited to searches in the sciences, but allows faculty and staff from all disciplines and departments to enter keywords, phrases or geographic areas to produce an immediate list of relevant funding opportunity “matches” based on the criteria entered. This service also will allow users to generate a weekly email which will alert them to new funding opportunities (or changes to existing opportunities) that have been found in the preceding week.

Please contact Kirsten Torguson, Sponsored Programs Associate, at 909.869.3301 (or ktorguson@csupomona), and she will be happy to help you get started on COS and create a list of funding interest “keywords” (geographic, academic, research interests, etc.) and assist you by doing the legwork on the website for you.

To get started with COS on your own, please click on the following link:

<http://www.cos.com/>

In the upper left-hand corner, please click on “New User”, then click “Join” when prompted. You will be asked to fill out a brief form with your name and email address, then select “California State Polytechnic University, Pomona” from the drop-down menu at the bottom of the page

Once you have completed the initial registration, you will be asked to choose keywords for which you would like to receive weekly funding alerts. Please note that the more specific you are when choosing the keywords (for example, for field(s) of study, geographic areas or phrases), the more focused your funding searches will be and the more likely you are to be alerted to appropriate funding opportunities. As this process can take some time, our office would be happy to assist you with this section.

If you have questions about the COS website or the other ways that this service can be of use to you, please contact one of us directly or visit the COS website at www.cos.com.

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