

# Research Matters

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### *Notes from Beneath the Blue Awning*

**“We should communicate and celebrate the successes of UWF scholarly, creative, and research activities.”**

This message from the RAE staff was clear during this past summer’s RAE strategic planning retreat, and I am excited to announce that we are activating that suggestion via the inaugural UWF Research Week this Nov. 14-18, 2022.

The 2022 **UWF Research Week** will celebrate past successes, make new connections, and provide vital information and training on all matters related to research.

On Monday, Nov. 14, RAE will launch the **#UWFResearchMatters** campaign celebrating how sponsored projects make transformational changes for our students, programs, and communities. From opening the world via field travel to transforming communities here and afar, **#UWFResearchMatters** will focus on the impact, not merely the dollar amount, of UWF sponsored grants and contracts.

The UWF campus is busy and alive in a way that we’ve not seen since the first days of COVID, so RAE is proud to bring back its **Sponsored Research Celebration Reception** on Tuesday, Nov. 15. This event celebrates those faculty and staff who have submitted proposals or been awarded funding between 2019 and 2021.

Our friends from UWF’s **Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR)** will take over Wednesday, Nov. 15 with a Bingo for Beginners event and will turn their own spotlights onto the accomplishments of our undergraduate researchers and their faculty mentor superstars.

RAE will host its first **Research Mini Workshop** on Thursday, Nov. 17. This event will include a series of drop-in sessions running all day in the Nautilus Chamber and in ITS Training Room A (Building 79, Room 180). Throughout the day, faculty, staff, and students are invited to drop in for one session or the whole day to learn about a variety of topics tied to sponsored research, including: decoding an RFP ("request for proposals"); how to use the grant-inception-to-date (GITD) report; and ensuring



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compliance with IRB and export control requirements. The full schedule is available [here](#); please review and let us know if you are interested in attending a session here or there or even the whole day!

Do you have questions about how to find, improve, or manage external funding to support your great idea? From 9-11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 18, we will host a **Faculty Roundtable** in which faculty subject matter experts will join RAE staff for a conversational discussion about topics ranging from developing a grant-writing strategy to getting started in sponsored research, through managing grant expenses and securing external funds to support a sabbatical. Please drop in, join us, and bring your own questions and experiences for discussion.

The RAE staff and I are proud to work with you all to pursue new opportunities and secure funding this academic year and beyond.

Matt Schwartz  
Professor and AVP of Research Administration

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## New publications

The Office of Research Administration and Engagement congratulates the following researchers on their new publications:

- **Dr. Hakki Sevil** for his article, "Design of a Rapid Structure from Motion (SfM) Based 3D Reconstruction Framework Using a Team of Autonomous Small Unmanned Aerial Systems (sUAS)," in the journal Robotics.
- Dr. Bradford Stockdale for his article, "The Libet Paradigm and a Dilemma for Epiphenomenalism," in the journal Philosophical Psychology.
- **Dr. Frank Gilliam** for his article, "Effects of Excess Nitrogen (N) on Fine Root Growth in Tropical Forests of Contrasting N Status," in the journal Forests.
- Frank Gilliam, Jacob Hardin, Jacob Williams, and Rachel Lackaye for their article, "The University of West Florida Campus Ecosystem Study: Spatial and Temporal Variation in Water Quality at Thompson Bayou," in the journal Water.
- Cayla Hartley, Kenzie Hurley, **Dr. Valerie Morganson**, and **Dr. Steven Kass** for their article, "Eject, Eject, Eject! Conducting a Cognitive Task Analysis to Assess Parachute Descent Training Simulators," in Ergonomics in Design: The Quarterly of Human Factors Applications.
- **Dr. Ashok Srinivasan** for his chapter, "Infection Risk Mitigation Using Pedestrian Dynamics," in Architectural Factors for Infection and Disease Control, published by Routledge.

If you or your students have a recent publication you'd like to see highlighted here, please email Jeffrey Cassady at [jcassady@uwf.edu](mailto:jcassady@uwf.edu) and include the researchers' names, the name of the article, the name of the book or journal in which it appears, and a link to the article or an abstract. Also, please identify any University of West Florida students, faculty members, or staff members who authored the work.

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