

## Interdisciplinary Research Symposium

October 28, 2024

Student Union Ballroom B&C, 205, 207

8:00 am - 6:00 pm

| Interdisciplinary Research Symposium - Program |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| 8:00-8:45<br>Ballroom                          | Check-in with Coffee & Light Breakfast                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 8:45-9:00<br>Ballroom                          | Morning welcome<br><i>Provost Heavey</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 9:00-9:50<br>Session 1                         | Finding & Evaluating Interdisciplinary Research Funding Opportunities<br>This panel session will provide an overview of how to locate funding, highlight the different types of funding available for interdisciplinary research, and learn from experts how to evaluate opportunities in relation to your funding goals.<br><br>Panelists:<br><i>Althea Sheets, Emily Irwin, Brooklyn Stepro, Haroon Sahotra</i>                                                                                    |
| 9:00-9:50<br>Session 2                         | <i>AI for Facilitating Collaborative Grant Writing</i><br>AI is a promising tool for assisting groups in learning how to work across disciplinary lines and find common language to express shared goals. This session will address tools and methods for facilitating research using AI. The presenter will cover topics including tools available for use, methods or organizing workflows and teams, as well as accuracy and ethical considerations.<br><br>Presenter:<br><i>Jonathan Hilpert</i> |
| 10:00-10:50<br>Session 3                       | Leveraging Diversity in Interdisciplinary Research Teams<br>This session raises the question, what are the benefits of diversity in research teams? Presenters will discuss their own experiences building and working in interdisciplinary teams, and share insights on developing partnerships that value diverse perspectives and backgrounds, promote equity, and lead to greater innovation.<br><br>Presenters:<br><i>Blanca Rincon, Eduardo Robleto, Stefani Relles, Boo Shan Tseng</i>        |
| Session 4                                      | Strategies for Writing about Collaboration, Team Management, and                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| 10:00-10:50           | <p>Partnerships in Interdisciplinary Grant Submissions</p> <p>This session will focus on how to write effectively about interdisciplinary partnerships in grant applications. The session will cover elements such as collaboration plans; descriptions of partnership models; and team management descriptions.</p> <p>Presenters:<br/><i>Vanessa Vongkulluksn, Jason Flatt</i></p>                                                       |
| 11:00-12:00           | <p>Interdisciplinary Research in Federal Funding</p> <p>Program Officers/Directors from Federal Agencies offer insight into interdisciplinary research programs, trends, and submission requirements.</p> <p>Panelists:<br/><i>Patrick Abbot, National Science Foundation</i><br/><i>Kimberly Littlefield, National Science Foundation</i><br/><i>Monica Webb Hooper, National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities</i></p> |
| 8:00-12:00<br>SU 205  | <p>Available for Collaboration, Conversation, Small Group Discussions, Breaks - Open to All Participants</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 12:00-1:00            | <p>Lunch</p> <p>Lunch available in the hall outside of the Ballroom.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 1:00-2:15<br>Ballroom | <p>President's remarks</p> <p>President's Interdisciplinary Research Accelerator Challenge Finalist Pitch Event</p> <p><i>President Whitfield</i><br/><i>Moderator: Gwen Marchand</i><br/><i>Panel: Bo Bernhard, David Hatchett, Emily Irwin</i></p>                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2:30-3:00<br>Ballroom | <p>Quickfire Presentations</p> <p>Five teams representing different interdisciplinary projects will share brief 5-minute presentations to highlight diverse areas of interdisciplinary research and scholarship at UNLV.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 3:00-4:00<br>Ballroom | <p>Poster session</p> <p>3:00-4:00 - poster authors will be available at their posters for discussion. After viewing posters, please join one of the discussion roundtables. Posters will remain on display through the roundtables and collaboration social hour.</p>                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 4:00-5:00<br>Ballroom | <p>Roundtable discussions (with snacks)</p> <p>Continue to view posters or join a roundtable discussion to talk through emerging research at UNLV. Topics:<br/>Sustainability in Arid Lands<br/>Neuroscience<br/>Racial Equity and Social Justice<br/>Minority-Serving Institutions<br/>Addictions</p>                                                                                                                                     |

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|                       | AI & Big Data<br>Aging and Health Disparities<br>Creative Media, Entertainment, and Cultural Industries                                                           |
| 4:00-5:00<br>SU 205   | Roundtable discussion<br>Health Research - virtual link available for individuals to join from Shadow Lane or other campuses                                      |
| 4:00-5:00<br>SU 207   | Open room for discussion and team building                                                                                                                        |
| 5:00-6:00<br>Ballroom | Collaboration Social Hour<br>Continue the conversations and make new connections at the Collaboration Social Hour. Beer, wine, and light snacks will be provided. |