

Dear Colleagues:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the University of Arizona! This is a terrific place to work; I have been here for 26 years. The best part is the ability to work with scholars from a variety of disciplines. You have joined an outstanding research university – one that is set apart by both its unique arid desert landscape and its colleagues with boundless aspirations and achievements.

The Office of Research, Discovery & Innovation, is ready to help you with a full menu of services for your research needs, including help in finding suitable external funding opportunities for your work and ongoing, individual assistance with grantsmanship and proposal development. Check out the Research Development Gateway site: <u>http://rgw.arizona.edu/development/home</u>. Whether you are seeking research grant support from federal agencies, industry, or international NGO's, we are here to help you be successful. More specifically, I encourage you to:

- Obtain a research mentor in your department and start to plan for young investigator grants (RDI will discuss and edit these with you)
- Sign up for the RDS newsletter <u>https://research.arizona.edu/ua-research-newsletter</u>
- Check out our Institutes and Centers <u>http://research.arizona.edu/research-centers-and-institutes</u>

You will have a busy first semester on campus, learning how to balance everything. Remember it is okay to take a little time for yourself and take care of your health. Tucson is a vibrant community that has something exciting to offer everyone!

I look forward to talking with you about establishing your research program and the support provided here at the University of Arizona to help you be successful. If you have not done so, send a **RSVP online** to attend the **New Faculty Orientation** on **August 14** and **15** or contact Asya Roberts at asya@email.arizona.edu.

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