**Funding Opportunity Information Session: NSF NRT Information Session**

Hosted by the Research Development Office

**Guest Speaker: Colin Phillips, Linguistics**

**Wednesday, 8/31/2016**
3 to 4 pm
1105 Pepco Room – Kim Engineering Building
Please RSVP at: **http://go.umd.edu/NRT2017**

**Program**
Join us for an information session to discuss the 2017 NRT program with 2014 winner Colin Phillips who will give an overview of his experience with the first the IGERT program and then the NRT program.  We will leave plenty of time for a long question and answer period.

Colin's IGERT and NRT training resources are online – please see:
- Developing and funding interdisciplinary programs:
**https://languagescience.umd.edu/innovative-graduate-training**

**Additional information regarding the limited submission opportunity:**

**Summary:** The NSF Research Traineeship (NRT) program is designed to encourage the development and implementation of bold, new, and potentially transformative models for STEM graduate education training. The NRT program seeks proposals that ensure that graduate students in research-based master's and doctoral degree programs develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers. The NRT program includes two tracks: the Traineeship Track and the Innovations in Graduate Education (IGE) Track.

For FY2017, there are three priority areas: (1) Understanding the Brain, (2) Innovations at the Nexus of Food, Energy, and Water Systems, INFEWS, and (3) any other interdisciplinary research theme of national priority.

Regardless of the research area, proposals must clearly describe an overarching interdisciplinary research focus and outline how the research theme will foster high return, interdisciplinary synergies. Proposals should also describe how the training and research elements will be integrated and justify the need for bold and innovative approaches to train graduate students in the thematic area.

UMD Limited submission deadline: **9/25/2016**
Apply at: **https://umd.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1753283**

Agency preliminary proposal deadline (required): 12/9/2016
Agency full proposal deadline: 2/7/2017
Nominations UMD is allowed: 2 for the traineeship track and 2 for the innovations track
Funding potential:
- traineeship track: up to $3M over 5 years
- innovation track: up to $500K over 3 years

This seminar series is open to all faculty, staff, students, research, and community members.

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