

Goal 4: Enhancement of the Resource Base

B. Research funds

Grant facilitators

Especially for multidisciplinary grants, a facilitator can pull all the pieces together, leaving the faculty to contribute mainly the academic ingredients. IUPUI must not miss out on any opportunities for applying for large multidisciplinary grants.

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Current Status:

- Several schools on campus have their own staff members to help investigators identify funding opportunities and to provide administrative support when putting grant applications together. However, there is little communication between schools.
- Many investigators are not aware that the staff in the Office for Research and Sponsored Programs can help identify funding sources.
- There is no administrative structure in place that facilitates applications for center grants or other large multidisciplinary grants.

Implementation:

- The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research is currently being restructured with a shift in focus to research development (see also Action Item Report on Promote Interdisciplinary Research).