



**Newsletter / February 2025**

**IN THIS EDITION:**

- Capacity Building Grants Announced



Please share with your students! I-RAISE (Iowa Research Administration Internship Student Experience) is a cross-institutional program designed to build a more robust regional research administration (RA) workforce for the future.

I-RAISE will prepare both undergraduate and graduate students from participating institutions for future RA careers through: (1) a classroom-based bootcamp; (2) a 10-week summer internship with an RA unit at ISU; and (3) 12-week fall and spring RA internships at each student's home institution.

**Applications are due March 6th by 5 pm.**

To learn more about eligibility, the application process, support, and expectations for I-RAISE interns enrolled at the University of Northern Iowa visit <https://rsp.uni.edu/i-raise>.

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## Reminder to Reconcile Accounts

Departments are reminded to reconcile accounts monthly. The process will help you to identify any charges that appeared on your account which belong in other places. This is especially important for those who recognize charges that may belong on a grant account. Finding these errors and correcting them is essential to ensure that all costs that can be applied to grants are charged on a timely basis.

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## Scholarly Communications - Open Access

Rod Library recently announced ways to support researchers with the costs associated with publishing their Open Access work.

1. All hybrid and fully open access journals published by Oxford University Press - over [500 titles](#) - will waive Article Processing Charges (APCs) for UNI faculty and staff.
2. Probationary faculty can apply to have part of their APC fees - in any publication - covered by UNI.

Details about both of these programs can be found here: [Open Access Publishing | Rod Library](#).

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## Upcoming Training Opportunities

The [Spring Training Calendar](#) is available on the RSP Website. Upcoming training sessions are noted below. All sessions are held via Zoom and require registration. Please contact [rsp@uni.edu](mailto:rsp@uni.edu) if you have any questions about the upcoming training sessions.

Topic	Date / Time	Info
<b>Budgeting</b>	Feb 18 / 1-2	<a href="#">Register</a>
<b>Preparing your IRB Application</b>	Feb 11 / 10-11	<a href="#">Register</a>
<b>Intro to Grant Seeking</b>	Feb 13 / 3-4	<a href="#">Register</a>
<b>Cost Share Reporting</b>	Feb 11 / 2-3	<a href="#">Register</a>
<b>UNI Works for Grant Principal Investigators</b>	Feb 24 / 2-3	<a href="#">Register</a>
<b>Final Accounting</b>	Feb 3 / 2-3	<a href="#">Register</a>
<b>Outgoing Subawards &amp; Subcontracts</b>	Mar 11 / 1-2	<a href="#">Register</a>
<b>Postaward Project Management</b>	Feb 26 / 2-3	<a href="#">Register</a>

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## Around Campus

### **INSPIRE Conference - Share with Students!**

Submissions to the **INSPIRE Conference will be open February 20 - March 13, 2026**. The INSPIRE Student Research & Engagement Conference offers an opportunity for students to showcase the wide variety of experiential activities in which they participate inside and outside of the classroom.

Undergraduate and graduate students from any program across campus are welcome to participate and present projects focused on research, internship, volunteer or study abroad experiences, club activities and/or creative performances.

The next conference is Monday, April 13 and Tuesday, April 4, 2026.  
[Click here for more information!](#)



## Tallgrass Prairie Center Seminar Series

The Tallgrass Prairie Center's Restoration and Management Seminar series features UNI's own nationally recognized programs in plant materials, roadside management, and restoration ecology research. Check it out [here!](#)

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