Module 1: Strategies For Success In Grant Writing

Summary:
Writing successful funding proposals is a critical skill for researchers seeking to establish a career and make an impact in their fields. However, active researchers rarely have the opportunity to learn and discuss effective strategies for proposal writing beyond the experience gained from trial and error. This seminar will provide a comprehensive review of techniques for successful proposal writing from the perspective of the researcher, the peer-reviewer, and an international grant agency.

Goals and educational outcomes:
By the end of this workshop, participants will be able to 1) develop a grant writing work plan; 2) identify international collaborators; 3) identify and author the essential components of the proposal narrative; 4) distinguish between goals, objectives, and outcomes; 5) write a project implementation timeline; 6) write an effective and comprehensive project budget; 7) work effectively with grant foundations; 8) know the steps in the peer-review process; 9) identify and avoid common errors that lead to failure in grant competitions; 10) identify and avoid ethical challenges in proposal writing; and 11) improve English usage in technical writing.

Durée : une journée

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