Introduction: This six-week training will facilitate the production of a solid, review-ready grant proposal that submitters can then give to a review panel simulation in order to receive constructive review from grant successful facilitators.

Session Format: In each weekly two-hour session, attendees can expect to interact with grant successful faculty to learn the skills and insights required to develop interesting and competitive grant proposals. Groups will be divided by funding agency and a facilitator will preside over each group for participatory, interactive learning.

Expected Outcomes: At the end of the session, grant submitters will have gained knowledge of developing narratives and budgets, funding agency and university requirements, and the process of the grant review panel for their respective funding agency. The most significant product of these sessions will be a review-ready grant proposal.

Topics Include: Group introductions and finding funding (Monday, September 16th from 12 -1pm); Reviewing Request for Applications or Request for Proposals and preparedness (Friday, September 20th); Letters of Intent, preparedness for process, and mentors (Friday, September 27th); Assembling your proposal team, campus resources (Friday, October 4th); The process/mechanics of proposals (Friday, October 11th); NIH Grant Panel Review (Thursday, October 17th); Responding to review critique and conclusion to boot camp (Friday, October 18th); Boot camp wrap-up dinner, networking (Wednesday, October 23rd at 6:30 p.m.).

Application Process: Email a one-page project summary detailing the research you intend to have funded, and indicate which funding agency you are interested in approaching. If you know the solicitation number, please mention it in the summary. Include a statement of your research objectives, methods, and any collaborators or partnerships you have identified. In a few lines, address what you hope to gain from the boot camp, and ensure to list your current contact info. Please also attach your most current Curriculum Vitae and email these documents to micaelayoung@montana.edu by September 6, 2013. Applicants will receive notification of acceptance with further instructions and course materials by September 10, 2013. Questions may be directed micaelayoung@montana.edu.