To follow is the latest information on the partial government shutdown and its impact on sponsored project activities at MSU and other universities nationwide. MSU’s two largest federal sponsors are the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health. These agencies are impacted as follows:

**National Science Foundation:**

**Proposals:**
- Proposals are accepted under previously posted deadlines. However, applicants may not be able to contact program officers and/or agency officials regarding questions they may have. Review panelists have been informed that currently scheduled review panels will be rescheduled.

**Awards:**
- No new grants or continued year increments will be issued during the shutdown. However, Awardees may continue performance under their NSF awards during a lapse in appropriations, to the extent funds are available, and the period of performance of the grant or cooperative agreement has not expired.
- No payments will be made during a lapse in appropriations. The Award Cash Management Service (ACMS) will not be available.
- Principal Investigators (PIs) will be able to submit annual and final project reports and Project Outcomes Reports via Research.gov.
- NSF’s Public Access Repository will be available to deposit peer-reviewed scholarly journal articles and papers in juried conference proceedings.
- No-Cost Extensions
  - FastLane will be available to submit both grantee-approved and NSF-approved no cost extensions (NCEs).
  - Grantee-approved NCEs do not require NSF approval; therefore, assuming all business rule checks have passed, the NCE would be processed automatically and the award date would be extended.
  - NSF-approved NCEs will not be processed until normal operations resume. Awardees, therefore, are cautioned that Federal funds cannot be obligated for expenses that occur beyond the award end date.

**National Institutes of Health:**

- Funding from the NIH (as well as CDC, SAMHSA, AHRQ, etc.), is supported by the Department of Health and Human Services and is **not** impacted by the partial government shutdown, as it has already received its annual appropriation.
Other Federal Agencies:

- **Proposals:** Proposals to other federal agencies are agency specific. Unless otherwise instructed/informed by the agency, proposals may continue to be submitted through Grants.gov/CAYUSE under previously posted deadlines. Proposals through other federal portals and/or websites may be inoperable during this period and review panels may be suspended.

- **Awards:** Those with active awards may continue to work and incur costs on their federally sponsored projects within the previously approved period of performance provided there are remaining funds and continued work does not require assistance from a federal agency administrator. Please note that, during this time, awardees may not be able to contact agency officials and program officers to answer questions, approve no-cost extension requests, etc.

ORSP will be closely monitoring the shutdown and its impact on active and pending/proposed projects. Should you have any questions, particularly with regard to agency specific information, please contact ORSP at orsp@mail.montclair.edu, or X4128.