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Dear UD Faculty and Researchers,

The UD Research Office fully appreciates the complex and unmitigated circumstances the COVID-19 crisis has created, which in turn impacts your research and severely diminishes your ability to meet certain deadlines. We are providing maximum flexibility in extending internal deadlines, i.e. all deadlines under UD's control. We want to ensure that you do not feel a conflict and added stress from reporting deadlines and end dates from internal seed funding programs such as GUR, UDRF/SI, UD-Chemours, UD-ANL, UD-BNL, etc., that were put in place before the COVID-19 crisis began. We also appreciate it is premature to project new dates given we do not know how long we will be operating in work from home mode. Some of the seed grant sponsors are external to UD and we expect they will align with revised timelines. In the coming weeks, we will reach out to you on an individual basis to collaboratively modify and set new milestones/dates for your seed projects.

Simultaneously, we are trying to operate as normal as possible to keep the UD research enterprise going. Those efforts entail supporting your proposal submissions, including processing limited submissions. We may not have much flexibility if the sponsor does not move their submission deadline. We continue to encourage PIs to consult sponsor websites, contact program managers and their unit's contracts & grants specialists for guidance. We are updating internal deadlines for the NIH and NSF CAREER academies, keeping in mind that the NIH/NSF deadlines have not changed.

I want to take a moment to thank all of you who continue to work with us to mentor faculty, review proposals for seed grants, limited submissions and the NIH and NSF CAREER academies, and otherwise provide valuable service to the Research Office. Please feel free to reach out to me (Anshuman Razdan/AR razdan@udel.edu) if you have questions or concerns.

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