

News Lines

Grant Update

NIH grant will expand research at UB.

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The University has won a \$447,252 five-year grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to expand research capacities through faculty engagement and enhanced administrative support.

The project will be led by Christine Hempowicz, director of the Office of Sponsored Research and Programs, and Ruba Deeb, director of Biomedical Research Development and research associate professor of bioengineering.

“The mission of the grant is to strengthen the teacher/scholar culture and research capacity through reducing research-related administrative burdens for faculty to the extent feasible,

empowering the faculty to conduct research, and facilitating continuous improvement in service delivery processes,” said Tarek Sobh, senior vice president for graduate studies and research.

“Through this program, we expect to better prepare faculty to write, submit, and garner an increased number of competitive research proposals while also providing opportunities for underrepresented student participation in research,” he added.

The grant was provided by NIH’s Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development of the NIH. ■

