



**THE DEPARTMENT OF CONTRACTS AND GRANTS
(DCG)**

**VITERBI NEW FACULTY ORIENTATION
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OVERVIEW OF DCG SERVICES

Your Partner in Extramural Sponsored Activity, Excluding Industry Sponsored Clinical Trials

- Proposal Review, Approval and Submission
- Award Negotiation and Acceptance
- Award Set-up
- Subcontract Issuance, Negotiation and Acceptance
- Training and Education
- Develop and Maintain Positive Sponsor Relationships





THE DCG TEAM

<https://dgc.usc.edu/contracts-and-grants-directory/>

- **Teams Serving research needs of 4 Campuses:**

- UPC
- HSC
- Marina: Information Sciences Institute (ISI) & Institute for Creative Technologies (ICT)
- San Diego: Alzheimer's Therapeutic Research Institute (ATRI)



- **Centralized support**

- Outgoing Subaward Team
- Award Establishment Team (AE)
- Award Closeout Team
- Training and Education



THE DCG TEAM SERVING VITERBI

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Teams Organized by Sponsor Type & Department/Institute

Principal C&G Officer: Dragana Davidovic

- Team Lead
- Customer Service Point of Contact
- Industry, State/Local Gov't, Int'l Sponsors & Special Agreements

Senior C&G Officer: Erin Ruml

- Non-profit, University Sponsors

C&G Officers: Maribel Estrada and Cindy Sy

- Federal Sponsors
- Federal Labs





PROPOSAL SERVICES

Review, approve and submit proposals to extramural sponsors on behalf of USC and PI(s)

- Review Cayuse SP
- Ensure the proposal meets the sponsor's submission requirements
- Review solicitation
- Verify institutional information
- Verify budget for correct rates and cost sharing
- Verify regulatory approvals, including any required trainings
- Identify and address any anticipated award terms and conditions





PROPOSAL SERVICES: ENHANCED PROPOSAL REVIEW

For final proposals submitted 3 days in advance of the sponsor's deadline, perform a comprehensive review

DCG will conduct a comprehensive review verifying:

- Formatting: Font type and size, margins, page limits
- Completeness for inclusion of all required sections
- Budget calculations, rates and cost-sharing
- Institutional information
- Cayuse SP
- Regulatory reviews and approvals, including any required trainings
- Anticipated award terms and conditions





AWARD SERVICES

Negotiate and Accept Awards on Behalf of the University

- Review terms and conditions
- Negotiate terms and conditions with sponsor.
- Provide updates to PIs and School on the status of negotiations
- Confirm acceptance of exceptional terms and conditions.
- Approve award terms and conditions and if applicable, execute award/agreement.
- Confirm that regulatory compliance approvals are in place.
- Enter award information in Cayuse SP system.





POST-AWARD SERVICES

Provide post-award support, including assistance with questions and issues arising during the performance of a sponsored project.

- Interpret Terms and Conditions
- Submit Prior Approval Requests
- Issue, Negotiate and Execute Outgoing Subcontracts
- Review and Submit Supplements, Continuations, and Renewals
- Facilitate Award Closeout





TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Provide Training and Education to the Research Community

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT



The C&G Curriculum



Grants Management Training
(Faculty & Staff)



Cayuse SP Training



One-on-One Training
(As Requested)



RESOURCES

- [DCG Website](#):
- [DCG Newsflash](#):
- [USC Offices Responsible for Handling Agreements](#)
- [Roles and Responsibilities in Research Administration](#)
- [Cayuse SP Guide and Training Materials](#)





COMMUNICATION AND PLANNING AHEAD ARE THE KEY!



[DCG Contact Directory](#)

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