**Graduate Research Ambassador Award**

The Watson School is pleased to announce a Graduate Research Ambassador Award. This is a competitive award that provides one-time funding to Watson graduate students to travel to their alma mater to present their scholarly research and serve as ambassadors for our graduate programs.

The goal of this award is to increase global awareness of the Watson School’s research, scholarship and graduate programs by attracting the best and brightest students to Binghamton. Please contact Lisa Gallagher for the application. Proposals are due April 18.

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**PROPOSAL WRITING WORKSHOP FOR FACULTY**

Prof. Celia Mathew Elliot of the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana will be presenting simple, straightforward strategies for proposal-writing that will increase your chances of being funded. Topics include how to write winning project summaries (the most important component of a proposal), how to use a funding opportunity announcement to get started with a proposal (and how to finish one!), and how to avoid common mistakes that will kill your proposal. Hands-on activities will let you put what you learn into practice.

**Monday, March 31, 2014**

**Science II Room 145**

2:30 – 5:30 pm

**MAXIMUM OF 50 FACULTY**

Email Jane Russell to PRE-REGISTER

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**BINGHAMTON RESEARCH DAYS**

BU will celebrate research with a series of events on March 26-28. This year, organizers have chosen to focus on ethics as a theme. Jonathan D. Moreno, the David and Lyn Silfen University Professor of Ethics at the University of Pennsylvania, will give a keynote address at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, in the Mandela Room. Also a professor of medical ethics and health policy, of history and sociology of science, and of philosophy, he specializes in the intersection of bioethics, culture, science and national security. He is also a senior fellow at the Center for American Progress in Washington, D.C. His most recent book is Mind Wars: Brain Science and the Military in the 21st Century. The schedule will include poster sessions at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Friday, March 28, in the Mandela Room. Faculty members are encouraged to take several minutes during class on one of those days to introduce themselves as scholars. For additional information, go online.

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**HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT PURCHASING?**

The Purchasing Department at Binghamton University can assist you in purchasing state-funded goods and services. Purchases are governed by State of New York Finance Laws, the Office of the State Comptroller and the State University policies and procedures. It is within this department's purview to request information, documentation or justification necessary to support state-funded procurement. Visit their website for more information on purchasing procedures.

*For faculty purchasing new equipment, please work with Chris Chase or Victor Fiori prior to the purchase to ensure that the building can accommodate any gas, water or electrical requirements.*