1. TTU Second Annual CAREER Symposium
   April 29th 2011 8:30 AM-12 Noon.
   The second annual NSF CAREER symposium will be held in the faculty senate room from 8:30-12 noon. NSF officials, past NSF program officers at TTU and recipients of CAREER awards will participate in this program. The program is open to all faculty.

2. TTU-TTUHSC System Cancer Symposium
   Cancer researchers from the Lubbock, El Paso, Abilene and Amarillo campuses will share their research and plan for the future at an annual cancer research symposium to be held and hosted by the TTUHSC in Amarillo from April 29-May 1, 2011. Nobel laureate Dr. Al Gilman will present the keynote address. 80 abstracts have been submitted from TTU system schools.

3. Faculty NRUF eligible awards and deadlines
   i) Cottrell Scholars
      http://www.rescorp.org/cottrell-scholar-awards/intro-guidelines
      Deadline August 1, 2011
   ii) Charles A. Ryskamp Research Fellowships
      Updates for the 2011-12 competition will be posted in early July.
   iii) ACLS Fellowships
       Updates for the 2011-12 competition will be posted in early July.
       http://www.acls.org/programs/digital/
       http://www.acls.org/programs/burkhardt/
   iv) Burroughs Wellcome Fund Infectious Disease
       http://www.bwfund.org/pages/75/Infectious-Diseases/
       Deadline November 1, 2011
   v) Fulbright Scholar program
      http://www.cies.org/us_scholars/us_awards/
      DEADLINES
      AUGUST 1
      Core Fulbright lecturing, lecturing/research and research awards worldwide
      • Fulbright Distinguished Chairs Program
      • U.S.-India International Education Administrators Program
      NOVEMBER 1
      • U.S.-Japan International Education Administrators Program
      • U.S.-Korea International Education Administrators Program
      • Fulbright German Studies Seminar
      FEBRUARY 1
      • U.S.-Germany International Education Administrators Program
   vi) American Law Institute
       http://www.ali.org/
       Deadlines: The Membership Committee meets twice a year to consider proposals for membership. The deadlines for submitting proposals are September 1 and December 15.
   vii) Guggenheim Foundation
       http://www.gf.org/about-the-foundation/the-fellowship/
       Deadline August 1, 2011
   viii) Getty Scholar in Residence
        http://www.getty.edu/foundation/funding/residential/getty_scholars.html
        Deadline unannounced
   ix) NEH Fellows
       http://www.neh.gov/grants/grants.html
       Deadlines August 2011

4. U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Energy Announce Funding for Biomass Research and Development Initiative
   To support President Obama's goal of reducing America's oil imports by one-third by 2025, the
U.S. Departments of Agriculture (USDA) and Energy (DOE) today jointly announced up to $30 million over three to four years that will support research and development in advanced biofuels, bioenergy, and high-value biobased products. The projects funded through the Biomass Research and Development Initiative (BRDI) will help create a diverse group of economically and environmentally sustainable sources of renewable biomass and increase the availability of alternative renewable fuels and biobased products. Advanced biofuels produced from these projects are expected to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by a minimum of 50% compared to fossil fuels and will play an important role in diversifying America’s energy portfolio.

"Since taking office, the President has clearly articulated the goal to ensure a cleaner, safer, and more secure energy future," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "These projects will contribute knowledge and technologies that will ultimately help us break our dependence on foreign oil and move our nation toward a clean energy economy that creates jobs and keeps America competitive."

7. US climate panel meets in DC
The National Climate Assessment Development and Advisory Committee (NCADAC) met for the first time last week in Washington DC to plan the nation’s next National Climate Assessment, which synthesizes the latest science and information on current and future impacts of climate change in the US. “Every industry and every community in the US will feel the effects of climate change in some way,” Commerce Secretary Gary Locke said April 4. “The National Climate Assessment provides a critical, authoritative source of information about the latest scientific understanding of our changing climate on which Americans can confidently make smart decisions for their families, businesses, and communities.”

8. Appeals of NIH Initial Peer Review
The revised policy applies to appeal letters received with respect to the initial peer review of all competing applications submitted to the NIH for support, for the January 25, 2011 due date and thereafter, including: 1) reviews conducted by the NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR) and reviews conducted by NIH Institutes and other NIH Centers; and 2) applications such as fellowship applications that typically do not require Council review. This policy does not apply to appeals of the technical evaluation of Research and Development contract projects through the NIH peer review process, appeals of NIH funding decisions, or appeals of decisions concerning extensions of MERIT awards.

9 Collaborative opportunity between conservation scientists, chemists and materials scientists to address grand challenges in the field of science of cultural heritage.
Deadline May 11, 2011