

UNIVERSITY RECEIVES KAUFFMAN GRANT

Boise State recently received a \$45,000 grant from the Kauffman Foundation aimed at enhancing entrepreneurship education on campus. More than 300 colleges applied for the grants, which ranged from \$12,000 to \$50,000; 52 were awarded.

The Foundation's goal is to increase and strengthen entrepreneurship in America. Boise State will use the grant money to develop courses in conjunction with its virtual business incubator.

DEBATERS WIN LEAGUE TITLE

The Boise State debate and speech team recently won its first-ever Northwest Forensic Conference Division I championship. This is the first conference championship for Boise State since the team began competing at the Division I level three years ago. Prior to that, Boise State won 10 NFC Division II titles between 1988 and 2000.

The debaters finished second in the field of 31 colleges and universities from seven states competing at the tournament, but that was enough to easily clinch first place in the season-long Northwest conference standings.

BOOKSTORE REMODEL NOW UNDER WAY

The Boise State Bookstore is being remodeled to better serve a student body that has grown dramatically in recent years.

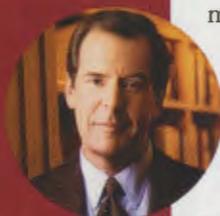
The renovation, which is expected to last through mid-April, is the first since the 1980s and is self-funded through money set aside over the years for a storewide renovation.

On campus ...

**Peter Jennings
ABC News anchor**

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"You should know that Americans in other parts of the country take very seriously the notion that this land is their land, too."



D.C. clout brings research funds

Huddled in their lab on the east end of campus, an engineering professor and a cadre of graduate students work toward a breakthrough in computer chip technology.

Elsewhere on campus business professors develop new trade opportunities with Vietnam and a biologist tries to unravel the mysteries of Alzheimer's disease.

These and many other projects at Boise State share one thing in common: federal dollars make them possible.

Boise State has always received a small sliver of the federal pie, but the slice has grown in recent years as the university has begun to attract the attention of federal granting agencies.

Last year, for example, Boise State received \$14.3 million in federal funds, up 131 percent from the \$6.2 million the school received just five years ago.

"Our faculty has become very effective in competing for national research dollars," says Provost Daryl Jones. "This is an indication that Boise State is developing maturity in its research programs."

But even the best proposals often need a friendly boost before the federal funds start flowing. That's where Idaho's congressional delegation enters the picture.

"Our senators and representatives are the spokesmen for the quality of research that is taking place in Idaho universities," says Jones. "Through their voices we receive funding that wouldn't otherwise come to Idaho."

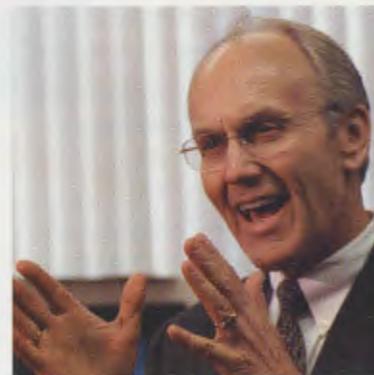
While federal involvement in Idaho is usually as popular as a wolf pack in a cattle herd, federal benefi-

cence directed at higher education is welcomed because it allows universities to conduct research, purchase equipment, hire students and build infrastructure, all of which wouldn't be possible without Uncle Sam's assistance. In many cases, federal funds result in economic development that benefits the region.

"Federal support is critical for advancing research at Idaho universities," says U.S. Rep. Butch Otter. "Although budgets are tight and resources scarce, we'd be hard-pressed to find more cost-effective or beneficial ways than research to invest our tax dollars over the long haul."

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo says he and the rest of the delegation constantly seek new funds for various projects at Idaho universities.

"It goes without saying that federal dollars for research and other programs, plus the



With the assistance of Idaho's congressional offices, Boise State has recently received federal funding for research and program development in the following areas:

\$4 million for three-dimensional microstructures in electrical engineering

\$2 million for business education in Vietnam

\$1.9 million for TechCenter construction on Boise State-West campus

\$1 million for time lapse imaging in geophysics

\$1 million for time lapse tomography in engineering

\$500,000 for Environmental Science and Public Policy Research Institute in public policy/geophysics

\$250,000 for bus shelters and turnout lanes

\$150,000 for Environmental Finance Center

to university

cooperation of the private sector and the state of Idaho, are part of a cooperative effort that will make Boise State even stronger in the future," he says.

Crapo and his staff helped Boise State to develop a business program at National Economics University in Vietnam by holding talks with American and Vietnamese ambassadors and working with the U.S. Agency for International Development officials.

U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, a member of the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee, enjoys a position that has given the state an influential voice in the competitive rush for funds.

"I have worked to make certain that Boise State University has received specific funding for science and research projects, as well as for other important priorities," says Craig. "I look forward to working with the university in the future to ensure that the school remains an important education, research and community service presence in Idaho."

This session, U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson became a member the House Appropriations Committee, further adding to the delegation's clout when budgets are decided.



Boise State's research efforts have benefited from the support of Idaho's congressional delegation, which includes Sen. Larry Craig, upper left, and Rep. Butch Otter, above.

"The appropriations Boise State receives further the institution's tremendous reputation in the research arena," says Simpson, who toured the university's Alzheimer's research lab last spring.

"Not only does the federal funding directly benefit the Boise State campus, but it also provides an economic impact to the state as a whole. I look forward to working with Boise State in the future to ensure this important research continues."

—Larry Burke

Newsmakers



Boise State faculty members continue to receive significant media attention outside the Treasure Valley. Here are some examples.

- A paper co-written by **GARY MONCRIEF**, political science, was cited in an article in *Campaigns and Elections* magazine. He also was quoted by *The Christian Science Monitor*, CNN, ABC News, *Newsday*, *The Guardian* (London) and several other media outlets on various political subjects. His book *Who Runs for the Legislature?* was mentioned in *Elle Magazine*.

- A paper by **KEITH HARVEY**, finance, on predatory lending laws was featured in *The Chicago Tribune*.

- **PAUL BAHNSON**, accounting, was quoted in a Reuters story about the Enron-Andersen debacle. The story also ran on *Forbes.com*. *Quality Financial Reporting*, a book co-written by Bahnsen, was also cited in a column posted on *Bloomberg.com*.

- **CHARLOTTE TWIGHT**, economics, was quoted in the *Cato Institute's Daily Dispatch* on a story about the FDA's regulatory power. She was also quoted in a *Knight Ridder* story on the Pentagon's newly formed Information Awareness Office and in an article about federal control over the lives of ordinary citizens in a story from *Cybercast News Services*.

- The Environmental Finance Center, headed by director **BILL JAROCKI**, was featured in an article in the December issue of *WaterWorld*, an industry magazine.

- **ROB TURRISI**, psychology, was quoted in *Brain Child* magazine and *Monday Magazine*, a weekly publication from Victoria, B.C., in articles about alcohol abuse.

- **MARTIN ORR**, sociology, was quoted in a story about the Idaho Independent Media Center in the Web newsletter of the Southern Poverty Law Center.

- Music professor **MARCELLUS BROWN** was stunned when TV talk-show host Oprah Winfrey called him up onstage for a surprise — and tearful — reunion with his former pupil, music teacher Fernando Pullum, during a recent episode of the *Oprah Winfrey Show*. Pullum, who says Brown saved his life by giving him direction as a teen-ager, was featured on the show because of the successful music program he had started for disadvantaged kids in south-central Los Angeles. Brown thought he was attending the show simply to support Pullum.

Downtown Boise's newest public art, "Grove Street Illumination and Boise Canal," was designed by Amy Westover (BFA, art, '00) as both an inspirational and educational piece. Located at Ninth and Grove, the sculpture includes text and historical photos of Boise's past. Westover is an adjunct professor for Boise State's art department.

