Research Resources (R^2)

To improve the grants preparation and submission process at MSPH

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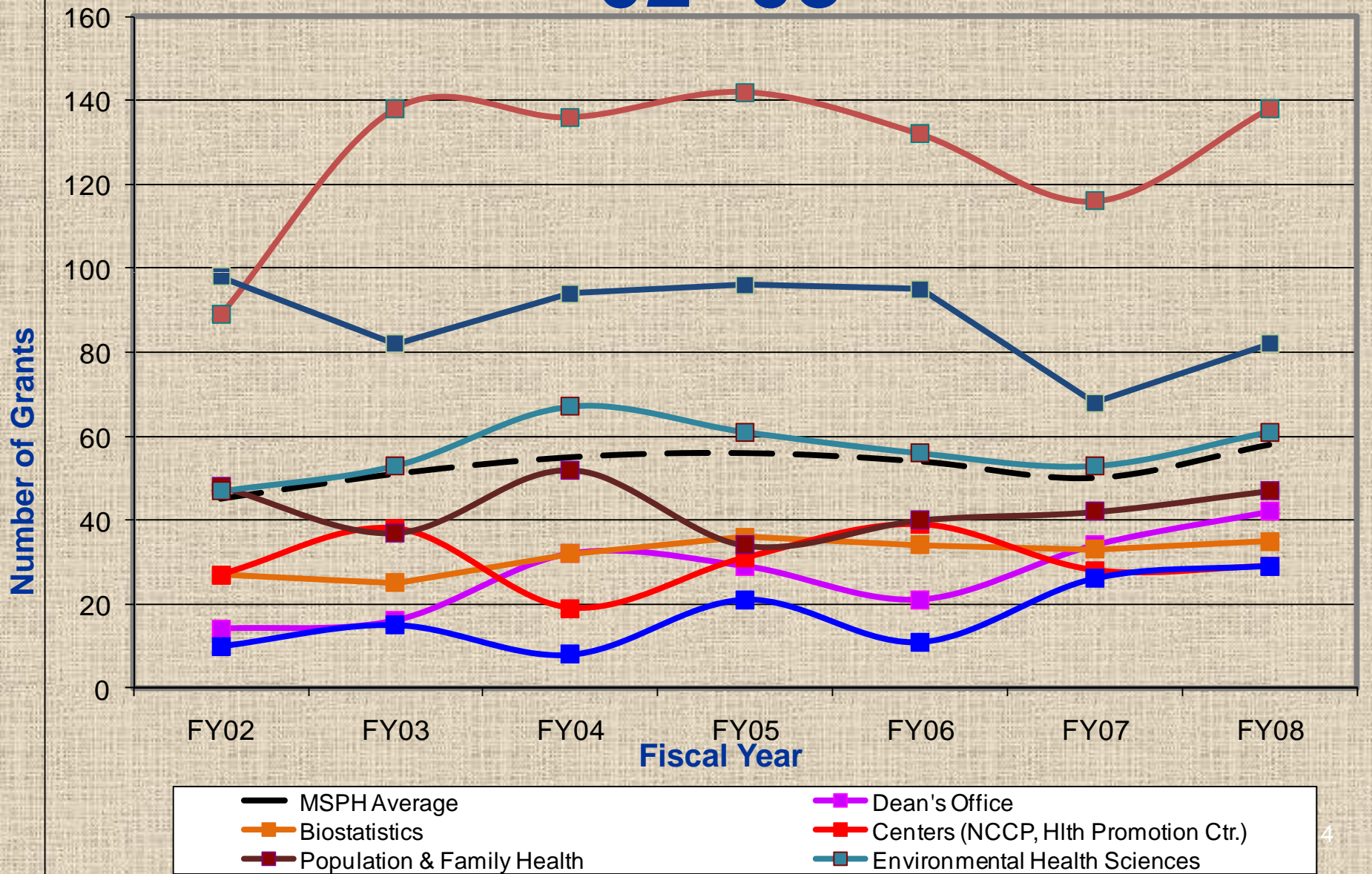MAILMAN SCHOOL
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Background

- Anecdotal Data
- Research Administration Data
- Focus Groups
- Faculty Survey

Research Admin Data, FY 07-08

- Total # of Grants Submitted = 463
- Approximately 310 full-time plus 150 part-time/adjunct faculty members
  – Roughly 75 are Assistant Professors
- Average of 1-2 submissions per faculty/year

Grants Submitted by Department, '02-'08

Chart: Number of Grants vs Fiscal Year (FY02–FY08)

Legend:
- MSPH Average
- Biostatistics
- Population & Family Health
- Dean's Office
- Centers (NCCP, Hlth Promotion Ctr.)
- Environmental Health Sciences

Focus Group Data

- Develop "Culture" of Research & Infrastructure to Support
- Identify Funding Opportunities
- Improve Collaboration Within and Across Schools
- Pool Faculty Resources & Talents
- Improve Grant-Writing Skills
- Grants Preparation & Submission
- Post-Award Management & Reporting (Research Management)

Administrative Support Survey Data*

Most Common Problems

1. Preparing Sub-Contracts
2. Creating RASCAL
3. Uploading Final Documents
4. Post – Award Project Budget
5. Post - Award Contracts

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Administrative Support Survey Data*

Needs

1. Finding Funding Sources
2. Help with Budget Preparation & Sign-off
3. Completing & Uploading forms
4. Collaborations
5. Contracts
6. IRB
7. Easy Accounting System for PIs & Project Coordinators

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Administrative Support Survey Data*, FY08

56% report submitting 1-3 grants

13% report submitting 0 grants

55% have 1-2 grants funded

35% have 0 grants funded

58% plan to submit 2-3 grants in FY09

27% report being unable to submit a grant due to lack of necessary administrative support

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R^2 Initiatives

Improve Access to and Quality of Research-Related Resources & Infrastructure

R² Website

R^2 Website

❑ About R^2 Services and Contact Info

❑ Research Resources At a Glance (Links & Clear Instructions)

❑ Inventory of Grant Samples

❑ Boilerplate Documents

❑Training Programs & Workshop

❑ SWAT Team Services

Training Programs & Workshops

- Grant writing Programs
- Scheduled Trainings
  - Research/Research Development
  - "Meet the Methodologist"

SWAT Team Services

- Individualized Funding Searches (Federal & Foundation)
- Links to Training, Search Engines & Funding Resources
- Literature Searches & Endnote Assistance
- Assistance with Preparing & Formatting (e.g., Text, Tables, Charts, Biosketches)
- Setting up RASCAL Proposal Tracking
- Editing

Schedule an Appointment

- Contact the office at 212-305-1186 to schedule an appointment
- R^2 Website: http://www.mailman.hs.columbia.edu/administration/GrantContracts.htm