

Grant Writing Advice from the Experts

Thursday, Aug. 1, 2013
9:00-11:00 a.m., Reid 301

Biographical Sketches of the Speakers:

- **Dr. Thomas McKenzie, San Diego State University**
A former public school physical education and health teacher, coach, and administrator, Dr. McKenzie has been an investigator on 14 large-scale multidisciplinary research projects supported by the National Institutes of Health as well as a collaborator on projects funded by Robert Wood Johnson, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and others. His expertise in designing and assessing physical activity programs and interventions with diverse populations is widely recognized, including having been selected as a member of the Science Board, the President's Council for Physical Fitness and Sports (2006-2009), and the recipient of numerous professional awards. Dr. McKenzie is currently Emeritus Professor of Exercise and Nutritional Sciences at San Diego State University.
- **Dr. Yong Gao, Boise State University**
An Associate Professor in the Department of Kinesiology at Boise State University, Dr. Gao has participated in many multidisciplinary research projects and specializes in evaluating, designing, and analyzing large sample complex data sets. Her projects have focused on using culturally relevant language and data collection methods in unbiased questionnaires, assessment tools, and physical activity studies. Dr. Gao is Chair of the Measurement and Evaluation Council at American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD), a fellow of the AAHPERD research consortium, and one of the eight members of the AAHPERD research consortium grant committee, among other prestigious activities.
- **Dr. Barbara Ainsworth, Arizona State University**
Dr. Ainsworth's research relates to physical activity and public health with a focus on the assessment of physical activity in populations and the evaluation of physical activity questionnaires and physical activity in women. She is one of the most widely cited professors in the field of physical activity and public health with three of her papers having over 2700 citations. Her compendium of physical activity is the most widely cited paper in the field with approximately 4000 citations. Dr. Ainsworth is a Professor in the Exercise & Wellness Program and Associate Director for Health Promotion Faculties in the School of Nutrition & Health Promotion at Arizona State University and has served on the President's Council and the California Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sport Scientific Committees, among other distinctive service and awards.