

# FAITH GOENNER

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Faith is a successful leader who can support both department and central research administration functions to include pre and post award, financial operations, human subjects and animal use oversight, effort certification, contractual management, and leading research administration teams. As a respected member of University of Minnesota's research community, Faith will bring a growth mindset and an ability to adapt to the role that is needed. Faith has successfully prepared proposals for many different agencies (NIH, NSF, DOE, DOD, foundations, industry, etc.), developed and analyzed financial reports, monitored and approved effort certification, and developed multiple efficient and compliant department/center research operations. Faith has problem-solved many complex contractual situations and mitigated risks to the PI and the institution. Faith also has the skills to develop and present training materials.

## SKILLS

- RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION COMPLIANCE
  - Established and implemented compliant operations in multiple departments following a negative audit.
  - Developed a department training course via Canvas to ensure high-risk compliance activities were presented to research personnel.
  - Developed data-driven tools to ensure effort certification compliance happened day-to-day through use of local payroll data and leadership from the payroll coordinator.
  - Influential contributor to a high-risk PI to become engaged with their research compliance and turn their lab from noncompliant to compliant.
- DEPARTMENT / CENTRAL PRE and POST AWARD EXPERTISE
  - Responsible for hiring, training and leading a department team of Research Accountants to a successful operation that has limited burnout and turnover.
  - Developed and implemented financial reports and monitoring tools for both PI and research accountants to review balances, project end dates and/or other programmatic reporting.
  - Prepare proposal submissions for federal, nonfederal and foundations including budget development.
  - Reviewed, negotiated, and approved contracts on behalf of the Institution.
- SUPERVISOR / TEAM LEADER
  - Developed and led professional development opportunities for direct reports.
  - Experience leading teams over 20 people.
- RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION TRAINING
  - Developed and led a Policy Boot Camp for the University.
  - Wrote multiple accepted presentations to NCURA.
- DIVERSITY and INCLUSION AWARENESS
  - Create awareness and commitment to promote a culture of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

## EXPERIENCE

**JANUARY 2019 – PRESENT**  
**CONSULTANT,**  
GOENNER CONSULTING, LLC

**JUNE 2016 – JULY 2021**  
**DEPARTMENT FINANCE & OPERATIONS DIRECTOR,**  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

**AUGUST 2015 – JANUARY 2018**  
**OWNER/FOUNDER,**  
MAMA GRACIE'S PREGNANCY SHOP & SPA

**JULY 1994 – JULY 2015**  
**RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION,**

- Assistant Director of Operations (Clinical Neuroscience Center)
- Chief Financial Officer (Schulze Diabetes Institute)
- Research Accountant (Pediatrics / Medicine)
- Operations Manager (Nat'l Ctr for Food Protection & Defense)
- Finance Manager (Electrical & Computer Engineering)
- Sr. Grant & Contract Administrator (Sponsored Projects Administration)

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

## ACTIVITIES

**Member & Presenter**, 2007 – 2021 National Council for University Research Administrators (NCURA)

## TECHNOLOGY EXPERTISE

Google Workspace, Peoplesoft, ECRT, Microsoft Office Suite, Microsoft Teams, Oracle, ZOOM, NIH ASSIST, Grants.gov, Tableau and able to quickly learn grants management software.

### Top 5 Strengths

- Strategic
- Activator
- Futuristic
- Woo
- Positivity

## EDUCATION

BA, SOCIOLOGY,  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

## VOLUNTEER

**Board Member**, 2022 Princeton Ambassadors

**Volunteer**, 2015-2016, 2020-2022 Princeton Area Chamber of Commerce

**Volunteer**, 2021-2022

Start Small Think Big

**Volunteer**, 2021-2022 Souls Church