

services to the world marketplace. Constitutional changes and legislation enables a transfer of technologies more readily from universities to the private sector. Applied research on technologies developed by private business may be performed in partnership with research universities. Such institutions may enter into collaborative arrangements with industries that facilitate commercial development. Each university develops its own policies and processes for these activities.

2. i2E - Innovation to Enterprise

(74 O.S. §§ 5060.20 [a] [b])

For more information, contact i2E at (405) 235-2305 or smeacham@i2e.org.

i2E works with Oklahoma companies, inventors, researchers, and entrepreneurs to turn technological innovations into exceptional business opportunities for Oklahoma. The organization provides, directly or by referrals, statewide access to the specialized business development services that are required to take new technologies from concept to market. They also work closely with technology development, technology transfer, and economic development professionals in both the public and private sectors to expand the technology base in Oklahoma. i2E also manages the Donald W. Reynolds Governor's Cup Collegiate Business Plan Competition, the SeedStep Angels Group, the Oklahoma Seed Capital Fund, and the Technology Business Finance Program, the state's proof-of-concept-fund.

3. Basic and Applied Research and Technology Programs

(74 O.S. §§ 5060.1 et seq.)

For more information, contact OCAST at (405) 319-8400 or visit www.ocast.ok.gov. The Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology (OCAST) supports basic and applied research and technology programs.

The **Oklahoma Health Research** (OHR) program awards seed funds for one to three year basic research projects related to human health.

The **Oklahoma Plant Sciences Research** (OPSR) program supports basic and applied research in the field of plant sciences by allocating resources according to merit, promoting collaborations, and leveraging federal and private resources.

The **R&D Intern Partnerships** (RDIP) program supports internships between local industries and two and four year colleges and universities.

The **Oklahoma Applied Research Support** (OARS) program funds one to three year research and development projects with significant potential for commercialization. Oklahoma businesses, universities, and nonprofit foundations are eligible to compete for OARS awards.

The **Oklahoma Nanotechnology Applications Project** (ONAP) is designed to enable new and existing applications in nanotechnology.

Small Business Research Assistance assists Oklahoma's small for-profit companies