Intro to Pivot

Finding the perfect funding opportunity

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Office of Sponsored Projects

Our role: To facilitate external funding to Washburn University for programs, projects, and related activities

We provide:

- Customized search and proposal development support
- Internal approval and submission to funding agency
- Award and compliance management

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What is Pivot?

- Developed for research administration at universities for grant planning submissions
- Over 33,000 funding opportunities representing $34 billion in potential funding from both public and private sponsors
- 3.3 million scholarly profiles (and growing): Profiles are harvested from university websites and may be searched, claimed, and edited to suit needs of researchers
- Pivot suggests funding based on Pivot profile

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Funding Opportunities

Comprehensive source for connecting researchers to funding:

- Trusted source for 30 years
- Activity locations all over the world (89 countries)
- 11,500+ national and international sponsors
  - All categories of sponsors, public and private
  - Government agencies, foundations, corporations, and non-profit organizations

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Funding Opportunities

- Funding for many purposes:
  - Grants, fellowships, capital improvements, travel, visiting professors, training, conferences, and more
- Opportunities are currently available with confirmed or anticipated deadlines for as much advanced notice as possible
- Once a deadline has passed on an opportunity that will not be offered again, the record is purged from the database
- Opportunities are manually reviewed by editors for creation of the best possible keyword matches

Highlights

Things to explore:

- Claim your profile and initiate Advisor recommendations
- Search by keyword, sponsor, funding type, or deadline
- Track funding opportunities for future cycles
- Save and share searches
- Find collaborators at other institutions

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Basic Profile

- Existing profiles of faculty members as found on university websites
- Content from over 70 ProQuest-proprietary databases mined for author publications back to 1990
- Education Resource Information Center (ERIC) data from 1990
- Indexed information found in publically available sites
- Editorial processes applied to content for validation and consistency

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Expanded Profile

Claim your profile to add any of the following content:

- Contact information including e-mail address
- Up-to-date author affiliation
- Links to co-author profiles
- Verified publication list (not necessarily a complete list)
- Link to CV
- Link to personal web site
- Research Interests
- Additional information as available such as grants, associations, and honors

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How to Access

- http://pivot.cos.com
- Log-in with username (WU email) & password
- No user name & password? Click “Log-In” then “Log-in Help”
  - ProQuest will send confirmation e-mail with link to get Pivot access
  - E-mail address must match e-mail domain for school

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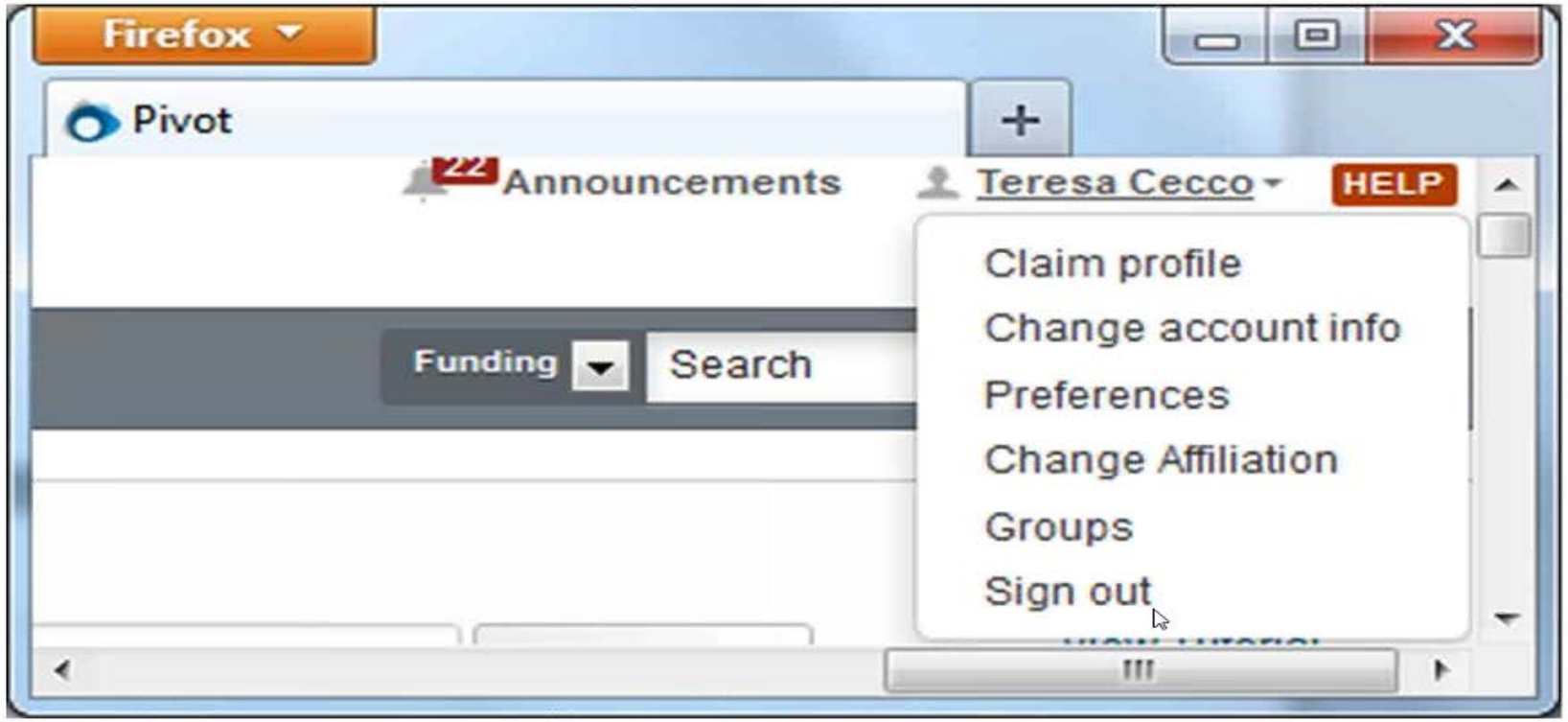
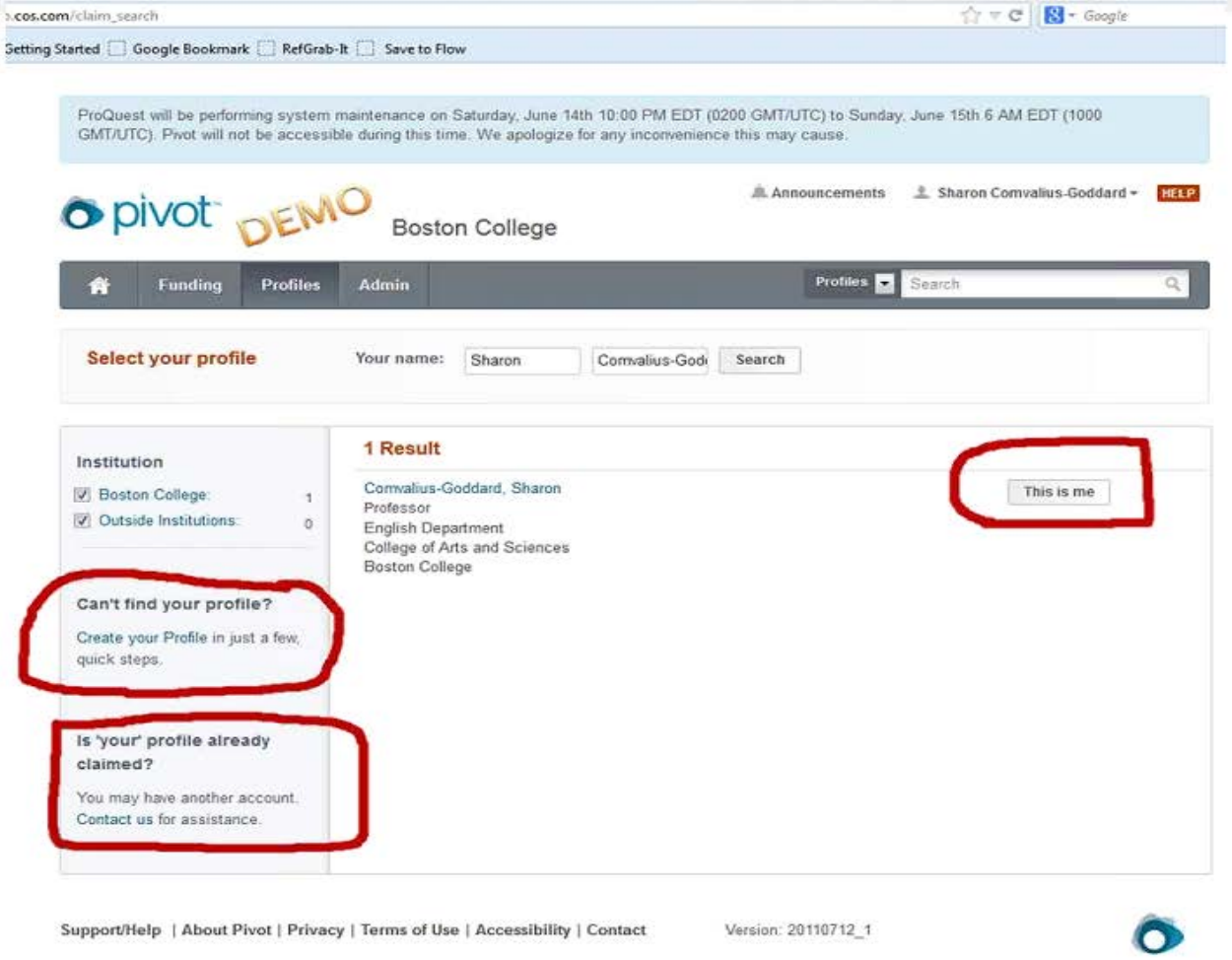
Claiming Pivot Profile:



Claiming Pivot Profile, cont'd



Effective Search Terms

- Pivot periodically adds new terms to fit emerging fields of interest, most recently in the sciences, social sciences, humanities, and the arts

- Examples of search terms include: Nosocomial Infections, STEM Education, Clean Technology, Carbon Sequestration, Organized Crime, Energy Industry, Synthetic Biology, Sustainable Design, Human Trafficking, Electronic Health Records, Green Buildings, Cloud Computing, and Urban Farming

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Effective Search Terms

- Users can select keywords found on any funding opportunity in Pivot to create a search for opportunities by that term

- More information on how to search Pivot Funding opportunities using keywords can be found on the Pivot website at: http://support.proquest.com/pivot/apex/home?id=kA140000000GuShCAK

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Training and Assistance

- www.proquest.com/go/webinars-pivotusers
- Help & FAQs in Support section
- Upcoming webinars and recorded session are also available in the Support and Help area of your Pivot account
- Pivot LibGuide: http://proquest.libguides.com/pivot
- Pivot YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/proquestpivot
- Pivot Tech Support: support@proquest.com; (775)327-4105
- Individualized support through OSP

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Next Steps

- Claim your Pivot profile
- Verify and update profile content
- Try a search
- Sign up for an email alert
- Attend upcoming training sessions

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