UCI NIH Boot Camp
Scholarly Roadmap &
Self-Assessment

• What do I want to be known for as a researcher?

• How crowded is the field? Given the competition, can I build a national reputation in this area?

• What questions do I want to answer through my research?

• Why are these questions significant? Innovative? Fundable?

• What further skills/knowledge/abilities do I need to acquire?

• What UCI research services/cores will be needed for this project?

• What research collaborations at UCI do I need to develop to conduct this project? What external research collaborations (academic and/or industrial) do I need to develop this project?

• How many people will I need in my lab? What qualities/expertise will they need? Where will I get them from?

• How much will it cost to conduct this project?

• Are multiple grants necessary? What would my optimal funding portfolio look like (e.g., R01, foundation grant, corporate contract, internal pilot funds)?

• Who can give me advice and critical feedback on each of the above questions?