Faculty Research Awards (FRA)
Deadline: January 22, 2023 at 11:59 pm
Research Development Services

Services:

- Funding searches/Pivot database training
- Funding strategies
- Checklists/templates/boilerplate
- Proposal critiques and edits

RDS will review your FRA proposal drafts.
Housekeeping Items

• Please stay muted unless asking a question or entering a discussion.
• Please put your questions in the chat box.
• This session is being recorded.
• These slides and this recording will be made available on the FRA website.
Faculty Research Award (FRA) Process

- RDS coordinates the application, review, and awarding process
- Reviewers are part of a Faculty Senate committee
- Reviewers come from various departments from colleges and schools at UO
Eligible Projects

• Book projects
• Performances in major national or int’l venues
• Creative work for exhibition
• Research to obtain pilot data, demonstrate feasibility of an approach/method, contribute to prototype development
• Travel to conduct fieldwork or research at archives/special collections
Eligible Applicants

- Faculty from all disciplines
- Assistant, Associate and Full Professors
- NTTF with .75 FTE & research responsibilities who have been employed at UO for 3 years and will hold appointment in AY 2022-2023
- Note: 1 application per faculty per cycle
Ineligible Applicants

- Emeritus, Courtesy, Visiting, and Adjunct Faculty
- FRA recipients from the past 3 years
- Those who have not filed final reports from prior award
Scope of Award

- Award amount: maximum of $10,000
- Summer stipend limit: $7,000
- 12-month project period: 7/1/23-6/30/24
- Final report deadline: 7/31/24
- No cost extension: allowed if well justified
Budget: Allowable Expenses

- Travel
- Equipment
- Supplies
- Contractual services
- Core/shared facility use
- Graduate or undergraduate student effort
- Summer stipend (subject to OPE) for two months continuous work
Budget: Unallowable Costs

• Stipend during the academic year
• Replacement or funding of tenure-line faculty salary during the academic year
• Instructional release / course buyouts
• Construction or facility renovation
• Curriculum or career development
Application Components

Online Application Form

• *Information Required:* Name, Project Title, Year Started at UO, Tenure Status, etc. plus upload narrative and other materials – **Deadline 1/22/23 by 11:59 pm**

• *Department Head or Dean Approval:* form routed to Department Head or Dean for approval upon submission – **Deadline 1/29/23 by 11:59 pm**
Application Components

Optional Demographics Report*

- Disability
- Race / Ethnicity
- Gender
- Sexual Orientation

*Filling out this online form is voluntary; information not seen by review committee.
Application Components

Application Materials – template

✓ Project Narrative (3 pages)*
✓ DEI Statement (1 page)
✓ Curriculum Vitae (2 pages)
✓ Budget Justification (1 page)

*References not included in 3-page narrative limit.
Formatting & Other Instructions

- Font: Times New Roman, 11 point
- Margins: 1” margins
- Stay within required page limits
- Save as [Lead PI Last Name]_FRA 2022
- Upload the single document to online application form
- May upload doc as MS Word or PDF
Narrative

• Significance and Contribution
• Concepts and Methods
• Work Plan
• Competencies, Skills, and Access
• Final Product(s) and Dissemination
DEI Statement

How project advances diversity, equity, and inclusion via:

• subject matter
• methodology
• project implementation strategies
• training/mentoring
• team composition
• engagement with UO students, staff, faculty
• engagement with communities external to UO
• and more as defined by the faculty applicant
DEI Examples

(1) A history faculty’s research topic examines the Federal policies that lead to racial discrimination in lending during the twentieth century.

(2) A math faculty plans to hire a graduate student from a minoritized population to work on big data analysis, and will mentor them to give a presentation at a conference.

(3) A computer science faculty plans to present her research on a new programming language for robotics at the local science summer camp for girls.
Review Process

• Initial review: compliance with guidelines
• Primary review: faculty committee appointed by the Faculty Senate
• Notification of awards: early Spring 2023
• Proposal feedback will be provided to all applicants
Review Criteria

• **Significance and Contribution:** Is the project intellectually significant? What value does it offer to the faculty member’s disciplinary field and/or general audiences?

• **Concepts and Methods:** Is the conception, definition, organization and description of the project clearly articulated? Is the methodology sound and indicated project success?
Review Criteria

• **Work Plan/Budget Justification:** Is the work plan and timeline feasible, appropriate, and supported by a well justified budget?

• **Competencies, Skills, Access & Support/CV:** Is the applicant well-qualified to carry out the proposed work and have the means to do so if funded?

• **Final Product(s) and Dissemination:** What is the likelihood of achieving project final product(s)? How strong is the dissemination plan for its intended audience(s)?
Review Criteria

- **Advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Research Statement:** How clearly does the application articulate the alignment of the proposed project and/or activities with the OVPRI goals for advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion in research? Evaluate the significance and potential impact (in scholarship, community-engagement, broadening participation, etc.) of the proposed work.
RDS Friendly Suggestions

• Write for a scholarly audience, but not disciplinary peers
• Develop a persuasive argument for your project
• Pay attention to methodology
• No typos or grammatical errors
• RDS can provide feedback to your proposal prior to the deadline
Critical Information

- **Application Deadline:** Sunday, January 22, 2023 by 11:59 pm
- **Approval Deadline:** Sunday, January 29, 2023 by 11:59 pm
- All instructions on [FRA website](https://www.fra.uoregon.edu)
- Reach out to RDS with questions at [rds@uoregon.edu](mailto:rds@uoregon.edu)