Faculty Research Award

Due Date: January 22, 2023

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.

Faculty Research Award Process

- RDS coordinates the application, review, and awarding process

- Reviewers are part of a Faculty Senate committee

- Reviewers come 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

More Application Components

1. **Optional Demographics Report**: Filling out this online form is voluntary; information not seen by review committee.
   - *Disability*
   - *Race / Ethnicity*
   - *Gender*
   - *Sexual Orientation*

2. **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?

- **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)?

- **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's 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 <u>FRA website</u>

- Reach out to RDS with questions at <u>rds@uoregon.edu</u>