

MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

RE: 2017-2018 Call for Grants to Promote New Research Initiatives and Collaborative Interdisciplinary Research (\$10,000 up to \$25,000)

Important Notes:

- ***All departments will be required to supply account numbers that will accept 07427 funding for new grants awarded during the 2017-2018 academic year.***
- The application process for the large grant program has changed. Please see the new instructions under ***APPLICATION PROCEDURES***.

DEADLINE: Friday, March 17, 2017

The Committee on Research (COR) is now accepting applications from members of the Academic Senate for research grants. The primary criterion for awarding research grants will be excellence of the investigators and the project. One of three categories of grant can be applied for: a) projects involving a new research initiative for the faculty; b) interdisciplinary projects; and c) requests to support ongoing projects with appropriate justification. The distribution of funds among categories will depend on the number of outstanding applications received in each of these 3 categories. Requests from \$10,000 to \$25,000 to be spent over 15 months will be considered.

Based on additional funding received from the Provost for the COR Faculty Research Grant programs, it is expected that there will be 20-25 large grant awards ranging from \$10,000 to \$25,000 each.

(a) **NEW RESEARCH INITIATIVES:** Faculty, or groups of faculty, can apply for seed grants to support new, highly innovative research initiatives. Proposals should have the potential to lead to new external grant applications or result in heightened visibility of UC Davis research programs.

(b) **INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH GRANTS:** The goal of this category of awards is to advance interdisciplinary research, allowing two or more faculty across the campus to collaborate on projects that bridge academic disciplines. Such projects could include faculty from the natural sciences, engineering or medicine, and the arts, humanities and social sciences at UC Davis. A specific goal of this category this year is the stimulation of projects that bridge the natural and human sciences in order to integrate the campus's strengths in these areas.

(c) **ONGOING PROJECT FUNDING:** It is also important to provide support for ongoing projects that may experience a funding gap. Evidence of a clear need for funding for the project, as well as documentation of ongoing efforts to secure external funding, should be provided (e.g., status of current or recent applications for funding). Applicants should specify in their proposals plans for continuation of the research project or program, or sources of extramural funding they intend to seek in the future to continue the work. Indication of external potential funding programs that encompass the proposed research will be most helpful in the review process.

Faculty are limited to serving as PI (Principal Investigator) on only one application. Biographical details must be included for all faculty involved in the proposal. In the event that an applicant receives this award as well as one of the \$2000 Small Grant in Aid awards, only one award will be funded.

REVIEW: Members of the Committee on Research review proposals with the assistance of *ad hoc* reviewers recruited to provide appropriate evaluations of applications. Previous awardees will also be asked to serve as *ad hoc* reviewers.

ELIGIBILITY for the Grants to Promote Extramural Funding: All members of the Academic Senate are eligible for this grant, **except members of the Committee on Research and Faculty on leave without pay**

(LWOP). Faculty who have start-up or other grant funding and Emeriti may receive lower priority during the review of applications. Academic Federation members with research responsibilities in their title description can be included as members of joint applications.

ALLOWABLE EXPENSES: All expenses in the furtherance of the applicant's research, **except for faculty salaries**, are allowable as long as they are justified in the proposal and meet university rules for eligibility. All books, films, equipment, etc., purchased with grant funds are the property of the University.

PROCEDURES:

- 1) Login to the Academic Senate Information System (ASIS) at: <https://asis.ucdavis.edu>. Only one application can be submitted by an eligible faculty. If more than one application is submitted, the first submitted application will be the one reviewed.
- 2) The web page http://academicsenate.ucdavis.edu/grants_awards/large_grant.cfm sets out the form of the application and the details required.
- 3) Applicants will be notified electronically whether they have been awarded funds. Please contact Theresa Costa, Academic Senate Office with any questions, at (530) 752-3917 or tacosta@ucdavis.edu.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

- 1) Login to the Academic Senate Information System (ASIS) at <https://asis.ucdavis.edu>.
- 2) Click the *Proceed* button and login with your Kerberos login and passphrase. Once logged in, click on the *Research Grants* tab at the top of the screen.
- 3) Click on *Apply Now* under New Research Initiatives and Collaborative Interdisciplinary Research.
- 4) The following information will be pre-populated on the application form: Name, Email and Department. Please make sure that the information is correct.
- 5) To submit your application, click the *Browse* button to locate your PDF file on your computer. Please see the *Application Guidelines* link for specific instructions regarding the forms and documents required for the large grant proposal.
- 6) Click the *Upload Application* button to submit your proposal.
- 7) You will receive a confirmation message on screen and an email once your proposal is successfully submitted.
- 8) Feedback on grant proposals will not be provided.

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