Interdisciplinary Research (IDR) Origination Awards

Cover Page

Project Title

Title:

Principal Investigator(s) (full-time faculty)

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Track

Track one or Track two

Abstract

Replace this text with an abstract of up to 250 words.

Summary of Plans for External Funding

List target sources of external funding and proposed timeline for proposal submission.

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Proposal Instructions

Submission process

1. **Letter of intent.** Submit online through the form found at <https://byu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_033e3f52fsVUYJM> by January 18, 2022 at 11:59 pm. An email is automatically sent to the PI’s department chair, who must provide a Statement of Endorsement (short acknowledgement that the chair supports the project).
2. **Full proposal submission.** Send proposals to rdadmin@byu.edu by February 22, 2022 at 11:59 pm. Use the subject line “Application for IDR Origination Award.”

Eligibility criteria (proposals not meeting these criteria will not be reviewed):

* Track One Investigators must be full-time faculty from two or more BYU colleges, and three or more BYU departments or programs
* Track Two Investigators must be full-time faculty from one or more BYU colleges, and three or more distinct departments or programs at BYU
* Budget limited to $60K per year for up to two years for Track One, and $20K per year for up to two years for Track Two
* Eligible departments include: academic departments, the Center for Collaborative Research and Statistical Consulting, the Harold B. Lee Library, Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), the Microscopy Lab, the MRI Facility, the Wheatley Institution, the Maxwell Institute, the Sorensen Center for Ethical and Moral Leadership.

The proposal consists of the following elements:

1. **Cover page template** (1 page). List the names of faculty participating and their departments and colleges (minimum requirements for each track must be met)
2. **Project narrative** (up to 5 pages). This section is the main body of the proposal and may include the following:

Introduction that provides background or rationale for the project; identifies the current status of the research; describes the project’s long-term goals and short-term objectives

Proposed plan which describes the project’s expected outcomes; the project methodology; identifies specific research or scholarly activities to which funds will be applied and how these investments will enhance the competitiveness of the project for external funding; provides a schedule and expected milestones; describes the interdisciplinary team and how the IDR Origination Award will enable the team to successfully obtain future external support

Expected research outcomes

1. **Budget and budget narrative** (up to 1 page). Teams can propose up to $60K per year for up to two years for Track One, and $20K per year for up to two years for Track Two. Funds may be used for allowable costs consistent with university rules for travel, equipment, supplies, contractual services, and core/shared user facility use. Funds also may be used for salary to support the project efforts of graduate and undergraduate students and/or technical personnel under the supervision of project investigators, where data collection is required as a part of the effort to enhance competitiveness. Funds may NOT be used to replace current funding from another source; for renovation, remodeling, or alteration of research laboratories or core/shared facilities; for instructional release/course buyout.
2. **References** (no page limit). List references cited in the project description.
3. **Plans for external funding** (up to 1 page). List of potential external funders and a timeline for submitting proposals
4. **Biographical Sketches** (up to 2 pages per PI)
5. **Current and pending support** (no page limit). List all current external and competitive internal funding (this should include all funding regardless of how it relates to this project)

Proposal format:

Proposals should be submitted as a PDF. The document should use Times New Roman, 11 point font with 1 inch page margins.

Review criteria:

* Strength of the interdisciplinary team and the justification for an interdisciplinary approach for the research problem
* Clearly defined problem statement and measures of success
* Innovative aspects of the proposal, overall proposal quality, and potential impact of outcomes
* Potential to produce significant scientific, cultural, creative, or societal impacts
* Potential for future external funding

Review Process

Research Development will perform a compliance review of proposals. Several rounds of technical reviews will then be conducted by members of the University Research Council (Research Associate Deans). After the reviews, funding recommendations will be made to the AAVP-Research.

Reporting requirements:

* Selected awardees will present brief oral reports at the Research Networking Event (usually held during the Annual University Conference week).
* Written reports are due on August 1 after each year of funding. The final report should describe proposal(s) and their status, and other research outcomes (publications, student mentoring activities, presentations, etc). A report template will be provided to the PI by Research Development.