

Research Project Award Application (Faculty)

Purpose: Faculty may apply for and receive awards offered through the Center for Research & Scholarship (CRS) for research projects. Faculty will be given these awards to resource the purchase of equipment (which becomes University assets), supplies, travel (including overseas), consultation fees, student stipends, or other support services needed for the execution of research projects.

Additionally, faculty or students participating in *research-intensive (R-I)* courses as designated by Degree Completion Plans (DCPs) may apply for awards to support research projects embedded in a *research-intensive* course or emerging out of the course as a co-curricular project. R-I Awards administered by CRS will resource faculty for items including, but not limited to, compensation, purchase of equipment and supplies, travel (including overseas), consultation fees, student stipends, or other support services needed for the execution of research projects.

“Research” refers to inquiry that harnesses knowledge, skills, and values to produce new knowledge or to make a new contribution to the discipline, and it is recognized that this concept varies across the humanities, the creative arts, and the sciences disciplines.

Applicant’s Name:

Applicant’s LUID:

Applicant’s School:

Applicant’s Budget Manager:

Applicant’s Dean:

Budget Index Code:

Type of Award Requested:

Faculty Classification:

Brief Description
of Research:

Eligibility:

Please state your involvement in the research mentorship of students, including relevant course numbers and descriptions, if applicable. Specifically address undergraduate students if applying for an R-I award.

Full Description of the Proposed Research: In narrative form and not exceeding two (2) single-spaced pages or four (4) double-spaced pages with type no smaller than 11 pt., please write your proposal in language clear to a non-specialist in the field. Include the following and submit as a separate attachment to this form:

- (a) The **background and research problem/interest/question**, including what area of interest/problem or question is to be explored, how this project supports the University’s mission, the approach or line of thought to be taken, the specific program of study or research

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planned for the award period, and how this research relates to the work of other scholars in the same general area.

- (b) The **plan and method of the proposed work**, including an overview of the planned approach, approval status from the IACUC or the IRB (if applicable), specific tasks to be performed, resources and facilities needed, the projected results, and plans for your pursuit of publication.
- (c) The **significance of the project**, including the nature of the general problem and the specific piece to be investigated, the relevance of the problem to the research area, and how the project is relevant to the field at large. Applicants should explain this significance explicitly and in a well-structured rationale.
- (d) The role of the **faculty member** in guiding the research agenda and mentoring students through the research process, if applicable.
- (e) Expectations of how the participating **students** will significantly contribute to the research agenda/creative work, if applicable.
- (f) A bibliography.

Research Project Logistics:

Proposed project's relation to a research-intensive course (required for an R-I application, but not PRI application):

Number of students participating as research collaborators:

Implementation timeline:

Anticipated Impact on Student Learning:

Anticipated Real World Impact:

Please articulate how the proposed research enhances students' competitive advantage in pursuing career opportunities, advances the University's reputation, impacts society, and applies to the industry.

Budget

Note: If you are requesting a portion of the funds for compensation, please ensure that the exact amount is included and indicated in the Itemized Budget and Total Amount Requested fields below. Also, please provide justification (extraordinary time requirements, extraordinary effort, etc.) for this request for compensation.

Additionally, you must list and divide the total requested amount among each FOAPAL that you are planning to use for the research expenditures. You should use a program code of 20.

Total amount requested:

Itemized budget:

Will you accept partial funding?

Additional Documents Required:

Please attach the following additional documents to this application.

- 1) Applicant's Curriculum Vitae
- 2) If you are using a new technique or methodology with which you have no previous experience, please include a letter(s) of support from 1) external collaborator(s) agreeing to collaboration or 2) a supervising mentor agreeing to oversee the process.

Applicant's Statement of Agreement:

I have reviewed all criteria (e.g., conforms to ethics/best practices; IRB or IACUC approval) and agree to all terms for this grant.

I understand that dispersal of funding for projects involving human or animal subjects will be dependent upon proof of IRB or IACUC approval.

I agree to expend any funds granted only for the research identified on this application and in accordance with proposed budget. I agree to return unexpended funds to CRS.

I agree to submit a final report on the outcomes of the funded research project within four weeks of the project's conclusion.

Faculty Signature: _____ Date: _____

Budget Manager Signature: _____ Date: _____

Dean Signature: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for submitting an application for a Research Project Award. Within three weeks of the submission of your application and all requested documentation, the Center for Research & Scholarship will contact you regarding the acceptance of your application. Please contact the Center for Research & Scholarship at crs@liberty.edu or (434) 592-5939 with any questions or concerns.

Note: Each application will be assessed by faculty reviewers using a rubric based on the evaluation criteria defined in the application guidelines.

Center for Research & Scholarship: Award Approved or Disapproved

Approved for _____ amount of funding

Disapproved

Comments:

CRS Signature: _____ Date: _____

Provost: _____ Date: _____