CICOES Research Grants 2020
Request for Proposals

Overview

- Funding Available: $150,000 (maximum $45,000 or $30,000 depending on category)
- Estimated Number of Awards: 4
- Proposal Due: December 11, 2020, 4 pm PST
- Project Selection Notification: January 8, 2021
- Project Period: Mar. 1, 2021 – Feb. 28, 2022
- Two categories of grants:
  - Partnered – Research Scientist/Faculty co-PIs from CICOES affiliated departments/units that include at least 2 of 3 partner universities
  - CICOES-UW – Staff members who are a Research Scientist 3 and above (if no Principal Investigator status, then you need a letter of support from a CICOES PI), eligible UW-CICOES Postdoctoral Scholars
- 1 proposal per PI, individuals can participate in other proposals as co-PI
- Submit a single PDF file to: Collen Marquist (marquist@uw.edu)

Program Scope

The CICOES Research Grant program will be expanded to include OSU and UAF to stimulate collaboration among partners. Total RFP available funding is $150,000 in two categories: Partnered (max $45k/project) and UW-CICOES (max $30k/project). The partnered category requires a minimum of two PIs from at least two of the three CICOES Universities (OSU, UAF, UW). The CICOES – UW category includes CICOES Research Scientists and, new this year, eligible Postdoctoral Scholars. Collaboration with researchers in other UW units and/or NOAA is encouraged. A total of 4 proposals are expected to be funded. Funds for this program are not subject to indirect/overhead charges.

Research proposals should include new, currently unfunded, or a significant extension of existing but unfunded research that is encompassed by at least one of the nine CICOES research themes. CICOES Research Grant funds are to be used primarily for salary (including fringe benefit costs). With justification (e.g. RFP announcement), a portion of funds may be used to acquire proof-of-concept data or training that is combined with the collection of proof-of-concept data. Proposal acceptance subject to budget approval.

Content and Format

The proposal narrative should include a description of the proposed research: context (within the field and relationship(s) to existing research); objectives; methods; statement of work including all outcomes; and potential future funding (if appropriate). Previous JISAO Research Grant holders are expected to include a description of resulting products (e.g. proposals, papers, collaborations) from past Internal Research Grants. Proposals are limited to 7 pages comprised of a 3-page narrative (including figures and tables), and maximum 1 page each for references, budget and budget justification, CV, and current & pending support. UAF and OSU proposals will need signoff from host institution's Office of Sponsored Programs.

Evaluation

Proposals will be evaluated by a panel with members from the three partner universities. Evaluation criteria include scientific merit, expansion to new research areas, inclusion of CICOES research themes, institutional collaboration, and potential/actual leverage of new funding. Successful applicants are required to submit a final report describing outcomes, products, and next steps no later than three months after completion of the project. Successful applicants will be ineligible to compete for Research Grants the following year.

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