CICOES Research Development Grants 2024
Request for Proposals

Summary
● Funding Available: $200,000; Estimated maximum number of awards 5
● Two grant categories: Partnered (max $50,000), CICOES-UW (max $40,000)
● Preference given to CICOES Symposium inspired projects
● Proposal Due: November 1, 2023, 8 am PST
● Project Selection Notification: December 19, 2023
● Project Period: February 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024
● One proposal per PI, individuals can participate in other proposals as co-PIs
● Submit a single PDF file to: Marlene Poches (mpoches@uw.edu)

Scope
The CICOES Research Development Grant program is intended to leverage new research activities within the CICOES community. Funding is provided for new or a significant extension of existing but unfunded research that is encompassed by at least one of the nine CICOES research themes. Collaboration with researchers in other UW units, CICOES partner Universities, and/or NOAA scientists is encouraged.

CICOES Research Development Grant funds are primarily intended to support salary and fringe benefits. With justification (e.g. RFP announcement), awarded funds may be used to acquire proof-of-concept data to increase potential funding of an external proposal. Research Development Grant funds are not subject to indirect charges.

Preference will be given to proposals arising from collaborations initiated at the CICOES Symposium.

Eligibility
Partnered: CICOES Research Scientists (3 and above with principal investigator status) and CICOES-affiliated faculty from OSU, UAF, and UW are eligible to apply. Proposals must include PIs from at least two of the three partner Universities.

CICOES-UW: CICOES Research Scientists 3 and above with principal investigator status. If an applicant does not have Principal Investigator status, then a letter of support from a CICOES PI must be submitted with the proposal. UW-CICOES Postdoctoral Scholars who have or are eligible for PI status may apply.

Proposal Content and Submission
Proposals must include: 1) research context; 2) objectives; 3) methods; 4) proposed work including outcomes; and 5) potential future funding. Proposals are limited to a 3-page narrative (including figures and tables). Supplementary material can include: references (max 1 page), budget and budget justification (2 pages), CV (1 page per PI), and current & pending support (1 page per PI), and support letter for non-PI applicants if required. UAF and OSU proposals need signoff from the host institution’s Office of Sponsored Programs before submission to UW. Previous CICOES Research Development Grant recipients are expected to include a maximum 1-page description of resulting products (e.g. proposals, papers, collaborations) if a previous Research Development Grant was received (supplementary material). Incomplete proposals will not be reviewed.

Evaluation
Proposals will be evaluated by a panel composed of members from the three CICOES universities. Evaluation criteria include: i) scientific merit, ii) expansion to new research areas, iii) potential to leverage new funding, iv) compliance with proposal requirements, v) Symposium inspired, and if partnered vi) institutional collaboration. 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. All reports will be posted on the CICOES website. Successful applicants will be ineligible to compete for Research Development Grants the following year.

Direct any questions to John Horne (jhorne@uw.edu)