ORAU Events Sponsorship Program

The ORAU Events Sponsorship Program provides up to $4,000 to support events that involve participants from more than one ORAU institution. Two calls for proposals are issued each year. Typical events might include visits to an ORAU institution by a renowned speaker, conferences or workshops with a focused theme, or a technology transfer/business plan competition.

There are 2 ORAU deadlines: 1). If the event will take place between Oct. 1 and May 31 of the following year, applications are due by Sept. 1. 2). If the event will take place between April 1 and Sept. 30, applications are due by March 1. Funding is provided exclusively from non-federal monies by ORAU. ORAU does not allow overhead charges or indirect costs on the award from ORAU. The event must be held by September 30 (the end of ORAU’s fiscal year). A report must be submitted within 30 days following the event documenting participation and outcomes.

Criteria for decisions to award Event Sponsorship grants include:
- Potential engagement of others, especially students
- Probability of a long-term collaboration
- New or enhanced collaboration (proposed partners have no strong current ties)
- Well-defined outcome(s), such as a proposal to an identified opportunity, a white paper in anticipation of future funding, or a publication as a result of data collected during the event.

The selected applicant will be provided the application document by WSU’s Office of the Vice President for Research. Our ORAU councilor, our vice president for research, must submit the application to ORAU.

Eligibility
- Applications must be submitted by the Councilor at any ORAU institution in good standing (i.e. membership fees and required reports for existing award programs are current).
- Each ORAU institution may submit one request within ORAU’s fiscal year (Oct. 1 - Sept. 30).
- A representative from ORAU must be invited to the event and will attend, if possible.

TO BE CONSIDERED, please submit a one page Letter of Intent and the PI’s abbreviated CV in ONE PDF DOCUMENT to rifs@wayne.edu by 5 PM on the LOI due date. If the event will take place between April 1 and Sept. 30 (ORAU application is due by March 1), LOIs are due to OVPR by February 9, 2015 (by 5PM). If the event will take place between Oct. 1 and May 21 of the following year (applications are due to ORAU by Sept. 1), LOIs are due to OVPR by July 6, 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah James at sjames@wayne.edu.