

Junior Faculty Grants in the Social and Behavioral Sciences

PROGRAM PURPOSE

The Office of the Vice President for Research announces the availability of seed money grants to launch the research programs of junior faculty in the social and behavioral sciences. Awards of up to \$50,000 will be made, contingent upon available funds, in order to develop preliminary data for submission of an externally funded research grant application.

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible faculty are defined as assistant professors of social and behavioral sciences within their first four years of faculty rank. Faculty in any college who fit that disciplinary profile are welcome to apply.

REQUIREMENTS

Successful applicants are expected to:

- participate in grant-writing training in preparation for external applications
- secure the help of a senior faculty mentor for research career development guidance (note: the selected mentor, who will be eligible for OVPR's Research Mentor Program for New Faculty award, will be expected to show recent evidence of successful external support of their own research)
- submit, within two years of the award, an application(s) to major external funding agencies appropriate to the field of study

Applicants should submit an application not to exceed five pages (excluding cover page, budget, list of external funding agencies, biosketch and support letters) that outlines:

- the hypotheses to be addressed
- the significance of the research area
- the plan of work
- a time-line for completion of project

In addition, the application should include:

- a listing of appropriate external funding agencies
- a detailed budget with justification of the proposed use of the funds
- a biosketch not to exceed four pages

- letters of support from appropriate chairs, directors or deans that outline the career plans for the applicant as well as the availability of matching support, including summer salary

HOW TO APPLY

Applications will be accepted **by 5:00 p.m. on January 25**. Please send **as one e-mail attachment to sjames@wayne.edu**. The e-mailed document should be in **PDF format** and include the ***cover sheet with the chair and dean/directors' signatures, application, and biosketches*** **all in one document**. Biosketches should not exceed **4 pages** each.

Applications will be reviewed and ranked by a committee of experienced faculty and research administrators. **Final decisions will be announced by February 22.**

If you have questions, please contact Sarah James in the Office of the Vice President for Research at 577-8997 or sjames@wayne.edu.