

Ralph E. Powe Junior Faculty Enhancement Awards

The Ralph E. Powe Junior Faculty Enhancement Awards provide seed money for research by junior faculty at Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) [member institutions](#). These awards are intended to enrich the research and professional growth of young faculty and result in new funding opportunities.

ELIGIBILITY – Full-time assistant professors at ORAU member institutions within two years of their initial tenure track appointment at the time of application are eligible. If there is a question on eligibility, the ORAU Councilor makes the final decision.

TECHNICAL AREAS – The research project must be in one of the following five disciplines:

- Engineering and Applied Science
- Life Sciences
- Mathematics/Computer Sciences
- Physical Sciences
- Policy, Management, or Education

FUNDING SOURCE AND DURATION – Funding is provided exclusively from non-federal monies by ORAU. The award amount provided by ORAU is \$5,000. The applicant's institution is required to match the award with at least an additional \$5,000. This is a one-year grant (June 1 to May 31).

FUNDING RESTRICTIONS – This award can include funds for faculty summer salary, graduate student salary, travel, equipment, or other assistance relevant to the faculty member's research. **ORAU does not allow overhead charges or indirect costs on the award from ORAU or the university match.**

RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS – Applicants are encouraged to develop research collaborations with government, private-sector, and other academic researchers. Such alliances enrich and extend not only the reach of your efforts, but the nation's research enterprise, overall. Because of the close working relationship between ORAU and Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL), the Award Committee particularly encourages collaborative interaction with ORNL. Thus, substantive interdisciplinary research and inter-institutional research partnerships will be considered as very positive factors in the review process, and will increase chances for success.

View more details [HERE](#). For the 2017-18 academic year, the Powe Award Committee awarded 37 grants. Please see the complete list of [winners for the 2017 Powe Awards program](#).

This is a **LIMITED SUBMISSION GRANT OPPORTUNITY** – No more than **two applications** can be submitted **per ORAU institution** and must be nominated by WSU's ORAU Councilor, our Vice President for Research.

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 p.m. on **October 2, 2017**. Nomination materials are due to ORAU by January 8, 2018 and must be submitted by OVPR.