Undergraduate Faculty-Mentored Academic Grants

Student Application

The student(s) should complete this application with the assistance of the faculty mentor. A grant application written by a faculty mentor will not be considered. Students should draft answers to the following questions before submitting the application. The application is the most important part of the process; therefore, students should follow the outline carefully and adhere to formatting guidelines to produce a competitive proposal. Because research varies widely among disciplines, some adaptation of the outline may be necessary when the project or field of study demands. Applications may be reviewed by faculty in disciplines and departments other than that of the student and faculty applicants; therefore, it is important that the proposal be written so that an intelligent, educated person in another field is able to understand the proposal.

1. Project Title

2. Abstract: Provide a brief summary of your proposed project, not to exceed 200 words.

3. Project Context and Description
   • Historical or theoretical context
   • Project’s specific question, hypothesis, or objective

4. Approach/Methodology
   • Methods, procedures, theories, or lines of thinking and/or creating you will use to address your research topic.

5. My Preparation/Experience/Relevance to Future
   • Explain why this project is important to you and what role it plays in your development—personal, academic, and/or professional. If a group project, include a response from each student.
   • Your preparation and qualifications to undertake the project
   • If a group project, specifically identify the role of each student on the project

6. Timetable and Budget

7. Approvals and Funding
   • Does your project involve human subjects (e.g. interviews, surveys, focus groups, oral history)?
   • Does your project involve animal subjects (i.e. vertebrate animals)?
   • Does your project involve the use of recombinant DNA or biohazardous materials?

Any project involving human subjects, animal subjects, recombinant DNA, biohazardous materials, and/or lasers must disclose these activities at the time of application. While approvals are not required at the time of application, funding will not be released until approvals have been submitted to the Office of Research and Sponsored Projects.