



**College of Education  
Incentive Grants Program**

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**Application Receipt Date: Open**

**Award Announcement: Within One Month of Receipt**

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### **Description**

The College of Education is pleased to announce the availability of an Incentive Grants Program. This program provides funding to support faculty in the development of individual research projects leading to the pursuit of external funding and as match for internal University proposal submissions.

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### **Funds Available**

The maximum award amount is currently \$5,000. Applicants may request a project period of up to 18 months.

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### **Eligibility**

Eligible applicants include all full-time and part-time faculty members (i.e. tenured, tenure-track and clinical faculty members).

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### **Application Procedures**

1. Develop a short proposal (no more than five pages) that provides:
  - a. A brief discussion of the background and significance of the proposed idea, including its relation to the present state of knowledge in the field.
  - b. A narrative of the project that includes the objectives, significance of the research, the research tasks and expected accomplishments during the course of the project, the specific projected outcome of the project, specific identified external funding sources and funding programs, and a projected timeline for submission to the identified funding sources.
2. Attach the following supporting documentation to the end of the proposal packet:
  - a. References (should be included as appropriate, but will not be counted in the narrative page limitation)
  - b. Include a statement of support from the applicant's department chair. If the department is providing matching funds, this statement should include that figure.
  - c. A detailed budget and budget justification for total project costs  
BUDGET NOTE: If summer pay is requested, the proposer will be required to develop a major proposal for external funding (i.e., greater than \$200K per year) and to cite the specific RFP being targeted.
3. Electronically submit the completed proposal packet to the Director of the Office of Grants and Contracts at [stepherw@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:stepherw@mailbox.sc.edu).

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### **Review Process**

The primary criterion used for judging proposals is a) whether the internal funding will substantially enhance the likelihood of external funding, and b) the availability of funds. Applications that are complete will be evaluated for merit and the final funding decision will be made by the Associate Dean for Administration and Research. Awards will be announced within one month of receipt of the application.