

NSC Major External Funding for Research Development Stimulus Initiative (IV)

Application Deadline: May 4, 2012

Description: It is an explicit goal of NSC to facilitate significant external research funding and/or research grant productivity among the tenured and tenure-track faculty. This initiative is intended to provide assistance and support to faculty to create and submit funding proposals or additional subsequent funding for continuing projects that have a high likelihood of success and for which the provision of reassigned time from instructional duties is an important factor in the successful submission of an appropriate funding proposal.

Award: This award consists of a one course load reassignment of duties from teaching to development of an external funding proposal for the faculty member's research. There are a limited number of course reassignments available in the spring 2013 semester to NSC faculty who would use such reassigned time to produce appropriate major funding request proposals. External funding of research is important to qualified faculty researchers and scholars to support their original research efforts (supported or desired by the funding sources) and include external funding for: faculty reassigned time for research and scholarly activities, summer funding for research activities, funding for research programs or initiatives; research and grant development staff support; graduate research assistants, research equipment, travel related to research, research facilities and research equipment. Faculty would devote significant time and effort in pursuit of such funding in lieu of instruction in an assigned NSC course.

Expected Outcomes: The outcomes for the reassigned work load should result in the identification of possible funding agencies; the development of a research agenda and justification for support; the creation and submission of proposal(s) (including budgets, oversight, and other aspects) for substantial grant awards (those managed by UCF Office of research and Commercialization (ORC)) which are appropriate to the funding agencies criteria. Recipients of the reassigned time would be expected to meet with representatives of ORC, College of Sciences (COS) grants development office (Ms. Joan Jarvis) during the course of preparing their proposals; engage in funding source research; respond to RFPs; create proposals and follow-through with submission of proposals to appropriate funding agencies. Recipients of reassigned time under this initiative should provide a brief summary report on their activity and productivity engaged in during the reassigned time periods. The requested funding should include overhead and/or indirect cost recovery for UCF and NSC and may include funding support for faculty research activity, travel, research assistants, staff, equipment, facilities improvements, and reassigned course time (reduced teaching load) "buy out" support to enable faculty to devote larger percentages of their work time pursuing scholarship, research or activities supported by the grantors. The expectation is that one or more fully developed grant proposals will be submitted to an appropriate funding agency or source no later than 31 December 2013 as a direct result of the reassigned time provided by this grants development stimulus initiative.

Application: To be considered for such an award, please provide the following information:

1. Faculty name
2. Proposed course to be released with reassignment to grants development
3. Brief description of the grant development project (including area of research, types of identified costs, uses of the grant funds, projected submission dates, etc.)
4. Identified potential funding sources and submission deadlines (if known)
5. Please provide status/report on success of any previous NSC Major External Funding for Research reassigned time awards
6. Please list previously successful external funding proposals of which you were the PI or co-PI
7. Attach any other supporting descriptions, documentation, RFPs, previous funding success, etc. deemed relevant to evaluating the proposed project for reassigned time

Please submit proposals (electronically is preferred) to the NSC Director (please C.C. Ruth Ridore, Administrative Assistant to the Director) no later than May 4, 2012 (for consideration for spring 2013 reassigned time).