

NSC Major External Funding for Research

Development Stimulus Initiative (V)

Application Deadline: March 31, 2013

<u>Description:</u> 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.

<u>Award:</u> 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 2014 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, 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 workload 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 2014 as a direct result of the reassigned time provided by this grants development stimulus initiative.

<u>Application:</u> To be considered for such an award, please provide the following information:

- 1. Faculty name
- 2. Brief description of the grant development project (including area of research, types of identified costs, uses of the grant funds, projected submission dates, etc.)
- 3. Identified potential funding sources and submission deadlines (if known)
- 4. Proposed course to be released with reassignment to funding proposal development (*Please note that if awarded the identified course to be reassigned from will of necessity be determined in collaboration with the relevant Area Coordinator and the context of the programmatic and curriculum needs of the school.)
- 5. Please provide status/report on outcome of external funding request (such as successful award, denial of award and/or return for modifications) of any previous NSC Major External Funding for Research reassigned time awards.
- 6. Please list the outcomes of previously submitted external funding proposals or external funding requests (such as successful awards, denials of award and/or return for modifications) 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. Dr. Danielle Franco, Coordinator of Administrative Services) no later than March 31, 2013 (for consideration for spring 2014 reassigned time)

- Note: This initiative is contingent upon sufficient budgetary resources and may be restricted or limited based upon instructional needs of programs or the school.
- Accountability: It is important that the work associated with this reassigned time be devoted with diligence towards the goals for which the reassignment was made. For those receiving reassigned time from teaching assignments as part of this initiative, note that failure to produce proposals and submit them in pursuit of external funding by the specified deadline shall result in a subsequent negative performance evaluation related to this assignment, would prevent any such future reassignment to such pursuits, and for which the faculty member may be asked to teach an additional course in a future semester as a method of restitution.