SEED FUNDING CRITERIA AND SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

OVERVIEW

The Young Scholars Interdisciplinary Forum (YSIF) is requesting proposals from current Fox School faculty and PhD students for seed funding grants to undertake novel research projects. Funding is available to encourage and support early-stages interdisciplinary collaborative research.

Typical seed funding amounts will range from $500 - $5,000. Smaller or larger funding requests will be considered based on the particular needs of the project. The Young Scholars Interdisciplinary Forum proposal groups should aim to facilitate research projects that span departments both within and outside of the Fox School. Funding amounts are based on the particular needs of the research, as well as the proposal group’s plans for seeking additional funding sources – both from within Temple University and from outside sources. Future plans for conference presentations or submissions to specific journals will also be considered.

Consistent with the purpose of the school-wide interdisciplinary forum for Young Scholars, the seed funding aims to facilitate interdisciplinary collaborative research projects that span several disciplines within and outside of the Fox School. Young Scholars Interdisciplinary Forum proposal groups should aim to facilitate research projects that span departments both within and outside of the Fox School. Please note, not all proposal submissions are eligible to participate in the Young Scholars Forum.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

All YSIF proposal submissions should be sent via email to the Fox School’s Office of Research (FoxResearch@temple.edu) by Friday, March 17th at 3:00pm. At least one member of the research team must be able to present the proposal during the announced Young Scholars Interdisciplinary Forum.

Please note: A student or faculty member may submit more than one proposal for different research projects, but no student or faculty member is permitted to present twice during the forum.

Each proposal submission should explain how the project: builds on the applicants’ previous research work, seeks to extend their research into new directions, and intends to enhance professional development.

Each proposal group should submit a formal budget for the proposed research project, including a funding request from the Young Scholars forum, and a description of where funds will be allocated. In addition, applicants should note their plans for seeking additional funding sources, both from within Temple University and from outside sources, and include future plans for conference presentations or submissions to specific journals.
Each proposal submission must include the following:

- A research project title
- Names and affiliations of all authors
- An Abstract
- Proposal of at least one page in length, which includes the above information
- A budget for the requested seed funding, with specific plans for seeking additional funding
- Specification on which faculty member the awarded funds should be deposited to
- A CV for each of the authors

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- the ability of the research to engage several disciplines within and outside of the Fox School
- the probability that the research will result in important findings that could be published in prominent journals
- the feasibility to attract additional support from other funding sources
- the potential of the project and the ability of the applicant team to undertake the research

Accordingly, submissions are strongly encouraged to seek seed funding from other sources within the University, such as:

- The Grant-in-Aid ([temple.edu/vpfaculty/awards/](temple.edu/vpfaculty/awards/))
- The TU Internationalization Grant ([https://www.temple.edu/provost/international/resources/grant-description.html](https://www.temple.edu/provost/international/resources/grant-description.html))
- The OVPR Seed Funding Grant ([http://research.temple.edu/ovpr-2016-internal-funding-programs](http://research.temple.edu/ovpr-2016-internal-funding-programs))