Fox Research Seed Funding Program

The Fox Research Seed Funding Program is a year-round opportunity for Fox School faculty, sponsored by the Office of Research, Doctoral Programs, and Strategic Initiatives. The program is designed to infuse applied research projects with the necessary funding to support the potential to receive additional funding from external sources.

The seed funding program aims to assist researchers in overcoming a developmental hurdle or a technical challenge. The Office of Research expects this funding to establish complementary and interdisciplinary partnerships with faculty that will result in the development of future externally-funded research programs. These projects must make use of large data sets and involve the collaboration between data science and technology.

Projects that are funded will receive support for individual projects in the range of $5,000 to $20,000, with the goal of yearly funding under this program to reach upwards of $50,000.

Eligibility
The following are eligible for consideration:
- Full-time professors, associate professors, assistant professors, instructors, lecturers and personnel
- Full-time research faculty
- Doctoral students collaborating on a project with a faculty mentor
  For the purposes of this program, persons holding adjunct appointments or other honorary titles shall not be considered to be members of the faculty.

The following are not eligible:
- Research proposals for projects leading toward an academic degree
- Students, temporary faculty, adjunct faculty, emeritus and honorary faculty
- Awardees from the fiscal year directly preceding the current award cycle
- Faculty who have received funding in the past 5 years and did not complete the contract commitment or final project report

Proposal Requirements
- Cover letter with signature from the Department Chair and/or director of the PI’s home unit.
- Letter of support from consultants and collaborators on the project
- Researcher’s current CV
- Abstract (a one-page summary of the proposed project, the project’s goals and its significance)
- Project Narrative
  - No more than five (5) single-spaced pages with a minimum font size of 12 points.
  - Project length should not exceed 12 months from project start date.
- References: not to exceed two (2) pages
- Budget and a budget narrative
  (Funds cannot be used for faculty salaries, travel unrelated to the project, conferences)

Apply
To apply, please send all documents listed above to Joseph Ryan, senior associate director of research and administration, at jp.ryan@temple.edu. Please allow at least two weeks for a decision.