MEMORANDUM

To: PVAMU Faculty and Staff Research Community

FROM: Magesh Rajan, Ph.D., P.E., MBA

Vice President, Division of Research & Innovation

DATE: July 13, 2023

RE: Funding Announcement: Research & Innovation for Scholarly Excellence (RISE) for

GRADUATE RESEARCH Grant Program.
Online Applications Deadline: August 09, 2023

The Division of Research & Innovation (R&I) is committed to sustaining PVAMU status as an R2 Carnegie Classification of high research activity institution and further enhancing the university's research and innovation enterprise. As we prepare to welcome the faculty, staff, and students, present and new, to the campus for the academic year, Fall 2023-Spring 2024, we are delighted to continue the Faculty RISE (R&I for Scholarly Excellence)-*Graduate Research* Grant Program.

The **Faculty RISE**-*Graduate Research* Grant Program supports faculty-mentored graduate students' research and innovation activities. The program awards faculty researchers with seed grants to expand and sustain their research through external grants and contracts while mentoring graduate students to become the next generation of experts.

For Fall 2023 and Spring 2024, the Faculty RISE-Graduate Research Grant Program will provide each successful applicant \$18,000 per academic year (\$2,000 per month) to support a doctoral student or \$14,400 per academic year (\$1,600 per month) to support a Master's student involved in research or innovation projects. While this grant program is open to faculty and staff researchers at all levels from all disciplines, tenure-track Assistant Professors will be given preference.

See the following page for grant proposal submission guidelines and award expectations.

DIVISION OF RESEARCH & INNOVATION

Faculty RISE - GRADUATE RESEARCH Grant Program |Fall 2023 - Spring 2024

Funding Opportunity Guidelines

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- Online Application: click here.
- Submission deadline: Wednesday, August 9, 2023.
- Faculty Information: Name, position, affiliation, and contact details
- *Proposal Information:* (*To be entered online*) Title, Project Summary (100 150 words), Statement of Anticipated Results and Impact (50 100 Words).
- *Proposal Limit:* Only one proposal (one GRA request) per faculty member will be accepted.
- **Proposal Packet:** Upload a <u>combined</u> proposal packet as <u>one PDF file</u> named **Faculty** Last Name-First Initial RISE-GRA.

Include the following items in the proposal packet:

- 1. Proposal/Project Description (2 pages)
 - Introduction/Background/Problem Statement
 - Objectives/Goals
 - Methodology
 - Targeted external funding opportunities for the proposed research
 - Bibliography/References (not included in the page limit)
- 2. Budget: \$1,600 per month; \$14,400 per academic year for master's student; \$2,000 per month; \$18,000 per academic year for doctoral student.

Funds will be used only for Graduate Student/Research Assistant tuition and salaries.

- 3. CV/Resume (2 pages maximum)
- 4. Support Letter from Department Head (*Recommended*)

PROPOSAL REVIEW AND AWARDS

- Proposals that deviate significantly from the requirements will be returned without review.
- Review of proposals will begin immediately upon receipt.
- Closing date for proposal submission: Wednesday, August 09, 2023.
- Selection and award announcement: Wednesday, August 16, 2023.

EXPECTATIONS

- Presentation and prompt submission of a research progress report at the end of the grant period.
- Submission of a grant proposal to an external funding agency in Fall 2024 or earlier.