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MEMORANDUM

To: PVAMU Faculty and Staff Research Community

FROM: Magesh Rajan, Vice President for Research & Innovation (VPRI)
Division of Research & Innovation (R&I)

DATE: July 06, 2021

RE: **PVAMU Research & Innovation for Scholarly Excellence (RISE)**
Faculty RISE - *UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH* Grant Program

The Office of the Vice President for the Division of Research & Innovation (R&I) is committed to fostering and growing the research and innovation enterprise of faculty and students across all disciplines of Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU).

In support of the vision, and as we prepare to welcome the faculty, staff, and students back to campus for the Fiscal Year 2022, I am delighted to announce the Research & Innovation for Scholarly Excellence (RISE) for Undergraduate Research Grant Program funding opportunity.

The **Faculty RISE-*Undergraduate Research*** grant program supports faculty-mentored graduate students' research and innovation activities. The program enables faculty researchers to expand and sustain their research through external grants and contracts while mentoring undergraduate students to become the next generation of experts. Even during a global pandemic and remote learning, the faculty awardees provided an exceptional learning environment and experience for more than 70 undergraduate scholars.

The **Faculty RISE-*Undergraduate Research*** grant program provides awards of **\$5,000** each that can be used to support undergraduate students to work on research or innovation projects during **Fall 2021 and/or Spring 2022 (Summer 2022 is not included)**. The **Faculty RISE - *Undergraduate Research*** grant program is open to faculty and staff researchers from all disciplines and at all levels. The guidelines and expectations for the funding opportunity are given on the second page of this announcement.

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DIVISION OF RESEARCH & INNOVATION

Faculty **RISE** - Undergraduate Research

Funding Opportunity Guidelines

APPLICATION & PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- **Online Application Link:** [Click Here](#)
- The application deadline is **Monday, August 16, 2021**
- **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 (Min 50 - Max 100 Words).
- **Statement of Compliance:** "I/We will carry out the research activities included in this RISE Grant Proposal following PVAMU's policy to help prevent the spread of the COVID-19."
- **Proposal Limit:** Only one undergraduate student can be requested per proposal. Faculty may submit up to two proposals.
- **Proposal Packet:** Must upload a **combined** proposal packet as **one PDF file**, named as [Faculty Last Name-First Initial RISE-UGR](#). Include the following **six items** in the proposal packet.
 1. **Proposal/Project Description (2 pages)**
 - Introduction/Background/Problem Statement
 - Objectives/Goals
 - Methodology
 - Evaluation and Dissemination plan
 - Plans to pursue external funding opportunities on the proposed research
 - Bibliography/References
 2. **Budget (Maximum Funding \$5,000/Academic Year)**

This funding will support only undergraduate student wages/academic year. Other expenses are not allowed.
 3. **Support Letter from Department Head (Recommended)**
 4. **CV/Resume (2 pages Maximum)**
 5. **An updated headshot picture of the faculty member**
 6. **A headshot picture of the undergraduate student.** (Attach if the previously hired student is to continue or if you know a new student to hire.)

PROPOSAL REVIEW AND AWARDS

- Proposals that deviate significantly from the requirements will be returned without review.
- Review of proposals will begin immediately upon proposal submission.
- Closing date for proposal submission: **Monday, August 16, 2021, 5:00 PM.**
- Selection of proposals: **Friday, August 20, 2021.**

PROJECT DELIVERABLES

- **Monthly student status update** emailed to Dr. Grace Abolaji (gtabolaji@pvamu.edu).
- **Monthly faculty status update** emailed to Dr. Grace Abolaji (gtabolaji@pvamu.edu).
- **A Progress Report** from Faculty **each semester** (Fall: December 2021, Spring: May 2022)
- A project presentation poster from graduating undergraduate students **each semester** (Fall: December 2021, Spring: May 2022)