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 14, 2022

RE: PVAMU Research & Innovation for Scholarly Excellence (RISE)

Faculty RISE - UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH Grant Program

As PVAMU has recently become one of the only 11 HBCUs in the nation with an R2 Carnegie classification of high research activity, the Division of Research & Innovation (R&I) is committed to sustaining that status and further enhancing the university's research and innovation enterprise to higher milestones, such as becoming a Texas Emerging Research Institution, in the near future. As we prepare to welcome the faculty, staff, and students, present and new, to the campus for the academic year, Fall 2022-Spring 2023, we are delighted to continue the Faculty RISE (R&I for Scholarly Excellence)-Undergraduate Graduate Research Grant Program.

The Faculty RISE-*Undergraduate Research* grant program supports faculty-mentored undergraduate 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 \$6,000 each that can be used to support undergraduate students to work on research or innovation projects during Fall 2022 and/or Spring 2023 (Summer 2023 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

- The application deadline is Wednesday, August 10, 2022
- Online Application Link:

https://pvamu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/preview/SV_5pAXYk5UcnvKglM?Q_CHL=preview&Q_SurveyVersionID=current&previewID=326e5182-d3cd-426a-9bab-b72ae64add04

- 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 and guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 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 <u>combined</u> 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 for the proposed research
- Bibliography/References
- 2. Budget (Maximum Funding \$6,000/Academic Year, \$12/hr. for a maximum of 20 hrs./week)
 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. A 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 have 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: Wednesday, August 10, 2022, 5:00 PM.
- Selection and award feedback to Faculty: Wednesday, August 17, 2022.

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 2022, Spring: May 2023)
- A project presentation poster from graduating undergraduate students each semester (Fall: December 2022, Spring: May 2023, and Summer: August 2023)