MEMORANDUM

To: PVAMU Faculty and Staff Research Community

FROM: Magesh Rajan, Ph.D., P.E., MBA
Vice President, Division of Research & Innovation (R&I)

DATE: July 1, 2020

RE: Funding Announcement: Research & Innovation for Scholarly Excellence (RISE) for GRADUATE RESEARCH Grant Program.
Applications Due: August 11, 2021

The Office of the Vice President for the Division of Research & Innovation (R&I), is committed to foster and grow 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 Graduate Research Grant Program funding opportunity.

The Faculty RISE-Graduate 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 the graduate students to become the next generation of experts.

For Fall 2021 and Spring 2022, the Faculty RISE-Graduate Research program will provide a $10,000 award for each successful applicant to support a graduate student involved in research or innovation projects (Summer 2022 is excluded). 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 next page for grant proposal submission guidelines and award expectations.

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Faculty RISE - GRADUATE RESEARCH Grant Program

Funding Opportunity Guidelines

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- **Online Application** [click here](#).
- **Submission deadline**: **Wednesday, August 11th, 5 PM**
- **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).
- **Statement of Compliance**: "I/We will carry out the research activities included in this RISE Grant Proposal in accordance with PVAMU's policy to help prevent the spread of the COVID-19."
- **Proposal Limit**: Only one proposal (one GRA request) per faculty will be accepted.
- **Proposal Packet**: Upload a combined proposal packet as one PDF file, named as **Faculty Last Name-First Initial RISE-GRA**.

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 (not included in the page limit)
2. **Budget** *(Maximum Funding $10,000/Academic Year. Maximum $5,000/Semester)*
   Funds are to be used only for Graduate Student/Research Assistant Tuition and Salaries only.
3. **Support Letter from Department Head** *(Recommended)*
4. **CV/Resume** *(2 pages Maximum)*
5. A current PVAMU headshot of the faculty member
6. A current headshot of the graduate student *(If available, with consent)*

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 11, 2021, 5:00 PM**.
- **Selection and award announcement**: **Friday, August 20, 2021**.