Call for Research Proposals

Troesh Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation Research Grants

Submission Deadline: April 30th, 2022

The Troesh Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation in the Lee Business School seeks proposals for outstanding academic research projects. The goal of the research grants program is to enhance faculty scholarship at UNLV and to encourage research that sheds light on entrepreneurship and innovation. The grants are intended to support a wide range of research topics from various academic disciplines, including collaborative research across UNLV units and interdisciplinary research. The proposed research project is expected to have some implications for entrepreneurship or innovation.

ELIGIBILITY

Any tenure-track or tenured UNLV faculty member may apply for these grants, with the following conditions:

1. The applicant must have had a publication (or acceptance) in a leading journal in the field during the last five calendar years.
2. Faculty members who hold a 12-month “A” contract are not eligible to apply.
3. Recipients may not teach class(es) in more than one summer session during the funded summer.
4. The grant, if awarded, will be received upon endorsement of the proposal by the respective Dean’s Office.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please submit electronically a single PDF file that includes:

1. The application cover sheet (attached)
2. A proposal narrative (maximum of five pages, single spaced, 12 font) that should clearly outline the intended activity and should in principle include:
   • A statement of the research problem and why it is important to the field of study. The proposal should be written in a way that communicates your ideas to individuals who are not familiar with your area of interest.
   • A short review of prior work to explain how your work will extend past efforts.
   • Outline of the proposed research. For a proposed journal article, for example, include details on the propositions/hypotheses. For empirical projects, include also information on data, sample, measures, statistical methods, and other research design issues where appropriate.
   • The expected outcome, e.g., the name of the targeted journal for submission and a brief explanation of why the research is likely to lead to a top-tier journal article.
   • A description of the project timeline up to the point where the proposed project will result in the intended outcome.
   • If a Troesh Grant has been received in the past, evidence of productivity from prior funding should be included, such as invitation to revise and resubmit, acceptance or publication with a leading journal, external grants, and other honors and awards.
3. Human subject (IRB) approvals, where appropriate, will be the Principal Investigator’s responsibility.
GRANTS

The grant will be a minimum of $5,000, paid as a stipend in 2022. The exact number and amount of grants awarded depends on the number and quality of the submissions received as well as funding availability.

The grant will be awarded to the proposed research project, regardless of the number of investigators for the project. If more than one faculty members are listed as investigators on the proposal, the grant will be evenly divided between the investigators or distributed per the written request of the investigators. A faculty member may not submit more than one proposal to this grant program per year.

SELECTION PROCESS

An ad hoc Grant Selection Committee will be formed. Committee members who have submitted a grant proposal must not be involved in the evaluation process for that proposal. The Committee will review the proposals and make recommendations regarding funding to the Research Director of the Troesh Center.

OBLIGATIONS

1. If a grant is received, the faculty member must submit a progress report (not to exceed one page) to the Research Director of the Troesh Center, by March 31st, 2023 following the award. The report must include:
   a. A summary of the progress on the project as described in the proposal
   b. The nature of the research results (if available)
   c. Conference and seminar presentations
   d. Submission of other grants based on the funded project
   e. Planned or documented submission of project results, e.g., the name of journal and expected (or actual) submission date
   f. Additional information may be requested by the Research Director of the Troesh Center.
2. Sufficient progress on the funded project must be demonstrated before the faculty member is eligible to apply for a subsequent grant in the future.
3. Awardees of the Troesh Center grant will be Research Affiliates of the Center and honored as “Troesh Scholars” (in acknowledgement of the generous support of the Troesh Family) during the funding period. Awardees must be willing to present their research at a future Troesh Center-hosted event. All publications (including working papers), presentations and other outcomes that are directly related to the Troesh Center funding must acknowledge the support of the Troesh Center grant.

APPLICATION DEADLINE & DECISION

Completed applications should be sent to troesh.scholars@unlv.edu, and must be received no later than 5:00 pm PT, April 30th, 2022. Grantees will be notified no later than 5:00 p.m. PT, June 20th, 2022.