SUMMER RESEARCH INITIATIVE AND PILOT GRANT AWARD

Purpose
Summer Research Initiatives provide support during the month of June for faculty to engage in significant research or artistic initiatives. Pilot Grant Awards provide support for the development and submission of a grant proposal within 1 calendar year.

Award and Activities
The Summer Research Initiative and Pilot Grant awards each provide salary or travel support of up to $3,500, payable by the end of June, for a concentrated research or artistic project conducted during the summer months. Each Pilot Grant Award carries salary or travel support of up to $3,500, payable by the end of June, for the development and submission of a grant proposal within 1 calendar year.

Eligibility
To be eligible to apply, the applicant:
- Must be a full-time 9-month continuing faculty member;
- If either award is taken as a salary stipend, faculty can teach no more than 3 credit hours during Summer I nor receive other June salary; research funding from internal or external sources is not a barrier if those funds are earmarked entirely for non-salary support (such as supplies, travel, or equipment);
- If either award is taken as a travel stipend, the travel reimbursement must be submitted by mid-June (airfare can be purchased by mid-June for trips as late as mid-August); and
- Cannot receive either award more than once every 3 years.
For additional questions contact David Webster at webste@uncw.edu.

Application Deadline
By October 10, the applicant must submit a Summer Research Initiative (for the following summer) or Pilot Grant application (for the remainder of the current academic year) to the department chair.

Application Proposal
The application should be written for a multi-disciplinary audience within the College of Arts and Sciences. It must include the following:
- The prescribed cover page (both are appended);
- A specific and concrete description of the activities to be engaged in;
- A brief (1 page maximum) narrative budget;
- A brief (3 page maximum) description of the proposed research or artistic project that includes 1) its purpose and primary objective, 2) its scope of work, and 3) its significance and benefit to the discipline, university, department, and its students; and
- A brief statement of the applicant's preparation for the proposed initiative. The statement should include the anticipated end product (such as target publication, juried performance, exhibit, or proposal and funding agency) as appropriate for the discipline.

Selection of Recipients – Procedures
By October 17, the department chair will forward to the dean those applications which the chair considers most deserving of each award. By October 24, the dean will convene a group of representative faculty to review the proposals. After consultation with the committee, the dean will announce award recipients by November 7.

Selection of Recipients – Criteria
Evaluation of proposals will consider quality and feasibility, as well as potential benefit to UNCW, the College of Arts and Sciences, the department, and its students.

Subsequent Responsibilities
By September 15, the recipient will submit to the department chair a report on the completed activity. The chair will forward it, with comments, to the dean, who will forward it to the provost, with the dean's summary comment. Applicants who have not fulfilled subsequent responsibilities for previous awards will not be considered.
SUMMER RESEARCH INITIATIVE
Proposal Cover Sheet

Name: ______________________________________________________________________

Department: ___________________________________________________________________________

Title of proposed project: ___________________________________________________________________________

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Expected semester of implementation: ___________________________________________________________________________

Year(s) of previous Summer Research Initiative, if any: ___________________________________________________________________________

Signature of applicant: __________________________ Date: __________

The applicant submitting this proposal is a full-time, 9-month, continuing, tenure-track faculty member who will not be teaching more than 3 credits during Summer I, and will not be receiving other salary during June. The proposed scope of activity is reasonable for the available time and should result in a significant research/creative work by this faculty member.

Signature of department chair: __________________________ Date: __________
Name: 

Department: 

Title of grant proposal: 

Targeted funding agency: 

Expected date of submission: 

Year(s) of previous Pilot Grant Award, if any: 

Signature of applicant: Date: 

Signature of department chair: Date: 