

The GSIRI Application Process

Deadline for Submissions: Applications are due October 23rd, 2020 by 11:59 PM EST in the form of a single PDF file containing all application materials (described below). A final report is expected within four weeks of completion of the project.

Funding Announcements: Awardees will be informed by November 23rd, 2020. The funding period will run from November 24th, 2020 to November 23rd, 2021.

Overview. This is a one-year commitment. Each proposal must include a team of no less than two graduate researchers from different disciplines or sub-disciplines in EHE and one faculty member. This faculty member will serve as the principal investigator for the research and provide guidance and support to the research team. Their responsibilities include connecting the team to needed resources, monitoring their progress, and helping the team reach their research goals.

If needed, the Office of Research, Innovation and Collaboration (ORIC) can support GSIRI teams by connecting them to potential faculty members who possess interest or expertise in the proposed research area. Furthermore, each team's faculty member will be expected to oversee the research team's training in practical research skills like budgeting, data management, and timeline generation. This will ensure the research team possesses the skills needed to engage in distributed research in an independent manner.

The graduate student research team will present the findings of their GSIRI grant project at the annual EHE Research Forum (in 2021). Furthermore, the graduate student team is encouraged to present their research findings in either a professional academic conference, a peer-reviewed scholarly journal, or both. Such outcomes of the investment are aligned with the EHE Strategic Plan to promote original research and to build a better scholarly-based community within the College.

Funding available: A total of \$10,000 in awards will be available each year.

Application Format

Proposals should be single-spaced, in 12 pt. Times New Roman font, with 0.5-inch margins on all sides and must comply with APA (6th Edition) style guidelines.

The title page of the application should contain the following:

1. Title of project
2. Faculty Principal Investigator, Co-Principal Investigators, Co-Investigators
3. Departments, program areas, titles, and contact information of all team members

The body of the application should include the following:

1. *Specific Aims.* Objectives and significance of project. (1 page)
2. *Approach.* Justification for the study, innovation, study design, and analysis plan. (3 pages)

3. *Interdisciplinary Nature.* A detailed summary of the interdisciplinary approach proposed. GSIRI funding is allocated for proposals that are interdisciplinary and involve graduate student teams from within and across EHE. Applications that are particularly innovative and creative in their collaboration will be scored higher than those that are not. In essence, GSIRI envisions interdisciplinary research teams to fully integrate knowledge, techniques, and expertise from multiple disciplines within diverse fields across EHE. (1 page)
4. *Communication Plan.* Delineate regular meeting times between all team members, including the frequency of meetings and location. (1 page)
5. *Researcher Roles.* Clearly define the roles of each member of the research team and describe their expected contributions to the research project. (3 pages)
6. *Project Timeline.* Timetable for planning and implementation. (1 page)
7. *Budget Proposal.* Detailed budget proposal, including operating costs as well as narrative justification. Please note that recurring costs will not be funded. The committee will review all budgets and suggest revisions as necessary prior to funding. Applicants are encouraged to confer with Grants Development Specialists Michael Moses (moses.42@osu.edu) or Ann Smith (smith.12669@osu.edu) for guidance on allowable/disallowable budget costs. All grant disbursements and/or reimbursements must meet OSU Purchasing guidelines. (2 pages)
 - a. Allowable Costs
 - i. Participation incentives
 - ii. Travel to and lodging at research sites (continental US only)
 - iii. Data analysis software and transcription services
 - b. Disallowable Costs
 - i. Personnel costs except those outlined above
 - ii. Faculty salaries or graduate student stipends
 - iii. Conference travel cost