



AUGUSTA UNIVERSITY

Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship

Materials and Travel Grant Proposal Call for Proposals Fall/Spring

The Center for Undergraduate Research & Scholarship (CURS) is pleased to announce a call for proposals for grants supporting student-faculty research sponsored by the Provost and the Vice Provost for Instruction. CURS Grants are open twice per year (Fall/Spring) and support original scholarly work through faculty mentored student research. Funding each term depends on the number of applicants, available funds, and feasibility of proposed research or scholarship. Each proposal will be reviewed by an interdisciplinary advisory committee and evaluated on its significance to undergraduate research at Augusta University. Grant requests can be made for travel to conduct or present research, or to purchase materials and supplies (capped at \$1000). CURS and the review committee require that proposals are written for an interdisciplinary audience. Discipline specific jargon that excludes a diverse review panel will likely receive low scores and not be funded. See website for full details and tips for successful proposals.

Faculty members may submit proposals for Materials or Travel requests. See instructions below.

Students seeking travel funding to conduct or present research may submit a Travel proposal. (The **student** is expected to write this proposal. Faculty may provide feedback or guidance, but *should not write the proposal.*) Student travel grants clearly written by a faculty member will be rejected. Authors are strongly encouraged to review proposals before submission. See instructions below.

Proposals will be accepted during the following dates:

Fall grants: August 1 - August 31 (or next business day)

Spring grants: January 1 - January 31 (or next business day)

Proposal Instructions:

Include the following sections **in the following order and format**. Proposal should not exceed **3 pages**. Be specific and write for an interdisciplinary audience. All proposals should be in Word format (.doc or .docx). Name your file using the following format:

Lastname_Firstinitial_MM_YY

Research Title (10 word max)

- 1. Research Project Description and Significance to Scholarly Development:** Explain the scholarly project and the objectives of the research or scholarly activities. *Be sure to explain the significance of the project for reviewers from varied disciplines.*
 - For Travel proposals, include the dates and purpose of travel, and explain how the activities contributes to research/scholarly goals.
- 2. Mentor and Mentee Roles:** Mentorship is highly valued and is the priority for CURS funding.
 - FACULTY proposals: Explain the mentor and mentee roles and responsibilities. Please address topics such as:
 - What will you teach students?
 - What will students experience?
 - What skills will students learn?
 - Indicate team collaborations if appropriate
 - STUDENT travel Proposals should address topics such as:
 - Your role thus far in the research
 - Skills learned
 - Collaborations
- 3. Budget Justification:** Explain budget request and any unusual expenses. Itemized details to include the items you wish to purchase as well as anticipated travel costs will significantly improve your application. Awards will not exceed \$1000.
 - Ineligible costs include (but not limited to): abstract/publishing fees, membership dues, personnel (stipends, consulting fees, technicians etc.), participation incentives, and core facility charges.
- 4. Plans for Dissemination** (for Materials proposals only): Provide an explanation and discussion of expected deliverables and student learning outcomes. If the project is expected to result in a presentation in a public forum, please explain the setting, and whether it includes posters, presentations, publication, or other types of dissemination.