

RFP for Large Program Development

Current Solicitation:

SPRING 2017

Proposal Deadline: Friday, March 17, 2016 by 5:00 PM

Award Announcement: *Approximately* June 2017

Description

Large Program Development (LPD) funds are awarded to cohorts of faculty for research that is not yet supported by organized or directed programs. The intent of the LPD is to stimulate new, major, transdisciplinary, extramurally-funded research programs by supporting multidisciplinary teams to work together for an extended period of time. The LPDs are intended to identify new research cores at OSU and to generate research that advances SP3.0. LPDs are normally expected to run for 2 years, and so are most appropriate for development of emerging research opportunities. In some cases, a federal or international RFP for the topic may not yet exist, but is envisioned.

Eligibility

Faculty are only allowed to be part of one LPD at any given time, and may be part of only one submission per solicitation.

Tenure-track faculty at any rank are eligible to serve as Principal Investigator. The proposal must have a co-PI who is a faculty member in another college, and who must hold a faculty rank. Other faculty, Research Associates, Postdoctoral Scholars and Postdoctoral Fellows, Courtesy Faculty, and students are eligible to serve on the team.

Proposals should be submitted by the PI and at least one co-PI. The maximum number of PIs and co-PIs is three. Others may be involved in the research, but the three PI/co-PIs will be responsible for the deliverables.

The Research Office is interested in supporting new faculty. However, new faculty with uncommitted Research Office start-up funds are not eligible for consideration as lead PI.

Investigators may receive an award from the LPD program only one time in a 36-month period. Prior funding from the Small Grants (SG), General Research Fund (GRF), or Faculty Release Time (FRT) does not affect eligibility.

Award Information

Large Grant Award	Anticipated Funding	Number of Awards (approximate)	Range of Award Amounts
LGA	\$140,000	Two each year	Approximately \$35,000 per year for two years.

Applicants will be notified via email of award decisions.

Matching Funds

Matching funds are encouraged but not required. To the extent that matching funds give the proposed plan a greater chance of success, matching funds are an advantage.

Resubmittals

The Research Office will accept one resubmittal of a denied proposal. The proposal will be deemed a resubmittal if the PI or any co-PIs propose the same or substantially similar research or if a substantially similar proposal comes from members of the same team. Resubmitted proposals must be accompanied by a letter, not to exceed one page, explaining how the reviewers' comments from the previous submission have been addressed.

Use of Funds

Budget Items eligible for support

- Minus the exceptions called out below, any expenses for which E&G funds may be used and which advance the chance of the project succeeding are eligible for support, including salary.

Budget Items ineligible for support

- Building renovations
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Research Compliance Requirements (if applicable)

If the proposal would involve active engagement of activities requiring compliance oversight, it is the responsibility of the **Investigator** to obtain approval from the appropriate compliance committee(s) **prior**

to the initiation of the research project. Please allow sufficient time for the review and approval process which could take **up to ten weeks**.

- Human Subjects: [OSU Institutional Review Board \(IRB\)](#)
- Live Vertebrate Animals: [OSU Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee \(IACUC\)](#)
- Recombinant DNA Molecules Transgenic Plants or Animals, and/or Infectious Agents of Plants, Animals, or Humans: [OSU Institutional Biosafety Committee \(IBC\)](#)
- Ionizing Radiation: [OSU Radiation Safety Committee \(RSC\)](#)
- Chemical Carcinogens: [OSU Chemical Safety Committee \(CSC\)](#)
- [Scuba Diving, Free Diving](#), and/or [Small Boating Operations](#):
- [OSU Scientific Diving and Small Boating Programs](#)
- [Export Controls and International Compliance](#)
- [Conflict of Interest](#)

Review Procedure

The Research Office reviews all proposals for eligibility. Those requests that qualify are generally reviewed by the Research Council, and the Research Council may elect to have others review the proposal (possibly including individuals suggested by the Investigator). The Research Council will provide a prioritized list of recommendations for funding to the Associate Vice President for Research, based on the quality of the proposals as reflected in the evaluation criteria. The Associate Vice President for Research will make all final award decisions based on the recommendations and available funds.

Incomplete proposals or proposals not following the guidelines and format instructions (*including page limits, spacing, font size, and margins*) will not be reviewed.

Evaluation Criteria

Proposals may be reviewed both by knowledgeable colleagues and by members of the Research Council. Reviewers will be asked to provide a summary recommendation for each proposal consisting of:

- High priority for funding
- Support if funds are available, or Not recommended for funding

Funding decisions will be made by the Associate Vice President for Research.

Review criteria are in the table below.

Criteria	Comments
Merit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Does the proposal provide a compelling argument for research?● How would the proposed project lead major, new, transdisciplinary, extramurally-funded research at OSU?● Is the text of the proposal well-written and aimed at a general audience of reviewers from a variety of disciplines?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Does the proposal provide a clear statement of overall project objectives?• Who is the audience for the proposed work, and why will they value it?
F&A	Proposals must show viable path to fully-overhead (at 47%) extramural grants.
Project team	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lead PI is tenure-track faculty.• Involves at least two colleges.
Quality of plan, including milestones.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is the timeline reasonable and does it have verifiable milestones all along the timeline that move the project toward completion?• Does the proposal provide clear and specific budget information?• Is the biosketch well-prepared?
Advance SP3.0 benchmarks	
Other desirable criteria include the following. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Internationalization of OSU• Involves University Centers and Institutes (see list on Research Office website)• Involvement of external partners• Promotion of diversity• Mentorship of junior faculty	While the ideal project would involve some of these, it is recognized that the funding level is modest and not every other desirable goal can be achieved. Some goals may be achieved later while others are achieved earlier.

Application Procedure

- The LPD application form is available in [MS Word](#) format (updated November, 2016).
- **Complete** all sections of the application form and follow the submission instructions on the application form.
- **Submit** the complete set of documents
 - as a **single pdf** by the [deadline](#) date
 - Submit via email to incentives.programs@oregonstate.edu
 - Use subject header “Large Program Development: your last name, first name” (replace PI last name with lead PI’s last name, first name)

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Reporting Requirements

Award recipients and anyone funded by the program are required to present at a campus research forum to be held in the spring of each year of funding.

Award recipients (PIs) are required to submit a final report 6 months after completion of the project.

This final report will be posted on the [Research Office website](#) and will be archived such that future applicants and awardees will be able to access it as a source of reference. If there is a valid reason for not wanting the final report posted on the website, submit the justification (*limit one page*).

Award recipients (Investigators) who fail to submit the required final report will be ineligible to receive future funding from the Research Office Incentive Programs.

The final report should contain the following information:

1. Header: including Proposal Title, Investigators, Departments, Colleges, Award Information (*type, date of award, amount of award*).
2. A brief summary of the goals and the activities performed using the LPD support.
3. List of metrics in SP3.0 advanced by the LPD and how those metrics were advanced.
4. List all extramural funding requests (*i.e., proposals*) that have been developed and submitted as a result of the LPD Funding.

Submit the final report electronically to Research Office Incentive Programs at Incentive.Programs@oregonstate.edu.

For More Information

Contact Research Office Incentive Programs at: Incentive.Programs@oregonstate.edu