BYU Gerontology Program

Request for Funding Proposals

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE: November 14, 2014

Funding from the BYU Gerontology program is available for BYU faculty who are conducting research related to the physical, psychological or social aspects of aging in the later years (main focus of research: age 50 or older). Research proposals from all disciplines considered.

Submit PDF copy of proposal and curriculum vitae to: Dr. Vaughn Call, Director C/O Brittany Feuz
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FUNDING: It is anticipated that 3 to 5 awards will be made, ranging from about $1,000 to $10,000 depending on our level of funding, the number of quality proposals, and the amount requested. It is anticipated that awards will be announced by December 15, 2014 and funding will be available by January 5, 2015 through December 31, 2015. The number and amount of awards will depend upon funding approval for 2015.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

- Relevance of project to gerontology (15%)
- Potential for generating new knowledge or research procedures (15%)
- Intrinsic merit of the research (creative, cutting-edge research) (35%)
- Research performance competence (demonstrated knowledge of the subject material)(5%)
- Involvement of new faculty (5%)
- Multidisciplinary/collaborative research (5%)
- Mentored learning experience (15%)
- Budget justification (5%)
PROPOSAL FORMAT:

COVER SHEET
1. Title of the project
2. Name and BYU faculty rank of the Principal Investigator
3. Names of Co-Investigators and current faculty rank
4. Address, phone number and e-mail address
5. Department and College affiliations
6. Total amount requested
7. Principal Investigator’s signature
8. Date of submission

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (combined text and figures should not exceed 5 pages)
1. Goals and objectives
2. Salience of the project
3. Brief review of the current state of knowledge (current theory and research)
4. A clear statement of the hypotheses/procedures being tested
5. Data, research methods, and analysis plans
6. Description of student mentoring experience (number of students, student learning experiences, etc.)

BIBLIOGRAPHY
A bibliography of pertinent literature is required. (one page maximum)

BUDGET AND BUDGET JUSTIFICATION (one page maximum)
Each proposal must contain a detailed budget for the support requested. The majority of the funding should be used for direct research expenses. PI’s may designate a portion of the funding to support graduate (maximum 10 hours per week) and undergraduate students. Any travel expenses must be research related (travel for paper presentations is not considered a research expense). A brief budget justification is required.

FUNDING HISTORY
All current and pending support from all sources (internal and external) must be listed for the PI and any other faculty affiliated with the project.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH
1. Curriculum Vitae for PI and all affiliated faculty
2. List up to five publications related to the proposal project authored/coauthored by the PI or affiliated faculty. (If new area of research, expertise for new area must be discussed).

FINAL REPORT: As a result of funding, each Principal Investigator will be required to:
1) obtain IRB approval for his/her project, 2) submit a final report to the Director of the Gerontology Program by February 2, 2015, and 3) prepare a poster outlining the research and results to be displayed at the annual BYU Gerontology Conference (which will be held in early spring of 2015). One or two reports may be selected for presentation at the Conference.