



SUMMER 2019 INTRAMURAL GRANTS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

INTRODUCTION TO MSU TEXAS INTRAMURAL GRANTS

As part of the Office of Sponsored Programs and Research mission to support and enhance research across MSU Texas, Intramural Grants are designed to encourage, facilitate, and support MSU Texas research. The grants are intended to support research efforts of faculty, staff, and graduate students. The term “research” is used broadly, and includes traditional research, creative endeavors, and all forms of scholarly expression.

The number of awards made are contingent on the availability of funds as well as the quality and quantity of applications received.

WHAT INTRAMURAL GRANTS ARE AVAILABLE AT MSU TEXAS FOR SUMMER 2019?

Grant Description	Deadline	Individual Award Values (not to exceed)
Research Equipment Grants	April 3, 2019	\$5,000
Field Research Support Grant	April 3, 2019	\$5,000 or \$7,500 (if research & equipment funding are requested)
Donor-Funded Grants to Research Responses to Sexual Harassment on College Campuses	April 3, 2019	\$5,000 (tenured faculty) or \$2,500 (professional staff or students)

RESEARCH EQUIPMENT GRANTS (SUMMER)

- **Deadline for Application:** April 3, 2019 at 5 p.m.
- **Grant funding period:** May 1, 2019-Aug. 31, 2019
- **Funding limit:** \$5,000

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equipment enhancement will benefit research at MSU Texas with respect to scholarship and external funding portfolios. All funding requested through this program must be used for equipment.

The guidelines and application materials for the Research Equipment Grants can be found on the [OSPR website](#).

FIELD RESEARCH SUPPORT GRANTS (SUMMER)

- **Deadline for Application:** April 3, 2019 at 5 p.m.
- **Grant funding period:** May 1, 2019-Aug. 31, 2019
- **Funding limit:** Two categories of funding are available. Faculty are eligible to apply for:
 - research/creative endeavor funding (limit \$5,000); or
 - research-related equipment funding (limit \$5,000); or
 - both categories of funding (limit \$7,500).

The faculty field research support grant is designed to support research and creative activities of faculty members gathering data from the field (including, but not limited to, field/ground research and archival research; gathering pilot data). The FRS grants are considered startup funds for research, in that they should lead to the growth and development of continuing research programs. They are not a source of continuing support for an ongoing program, nor should they be viewed as an alternative source of funds for programs already developed to a level that normally would justify support from external agencies nor travel funds to attend or present at professional meetings. Research and creative activities will be broadly interpreted; therefore, a large range of activities can be supported. Faculty members are encouraged to submit proposals for projects that have a potential to produce future externally funded support.

The guidelines and application materials for the Field Research Support Grants can be found on the [OSPR website](#).

DONOR-FUNDED GRANTS TO RESEARCH RESPONSES TO SEXUAL MISCONDUCT ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES

- **Deadline for Application:** April 3, 2019 at 5 p.m.
- **Grant funding period:** The award period begins on May 1, 2019. Results from grant-funded research are expected to be disseminated nationally, preferably no later than 2020.
- **Funding limit:** Two categories of funding are available:
 - Tenured Faculty Funding: up to \$5,000
 - Professional Staff or Student Funding: up to \$2,500

An anonymous donor has established a fund to research responses to sexual misconduct on college campuses using MSU as a case study. The donor hopes that the immediacy of this research might serve to improve processes that can address and reduce the devastating impact of sexual misconduct on today's college students. The donor, who has had a lifelong interest in enhancing the safety of students on college campuses, said that an enormous opportunity exists at this point in time to make important strides in this area. It is hoped that by studying processes in place at MSU Texas and their impact on student safety, significant improvement might be facilitated on campuses across the nation.

The gift will fund competitive research projects in the following fields:

- Behavioral and social sciences;
- Criminal justice;
- Mass communication;
- Higher education practice and policy; and
- Student affairs.

The outcomes of activities funded through this grant must be published studies or poster or oral presentations of national stature.

Applications are encouraged from tenured faculty, professional staff in applicable fields, and students conducting research supervised by tenured faculty, and will be determined by existing policies in place for intramural grants awarded through the Office of Sponsored Programs and Research. Funding requests may vary, but should not exceed \$5,000 for faculty and \$2,500 for staff or students.

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WHAT INTRAMURAL GRANTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR FALL 2019? (TENTATIVE)

Please note that award programs, deadlines, and other information for fall 2019 are tentative and subject to change. The request for proposals for Fall 2019 will be released late in the spring 2019 semester.

Grant Description	Deadline	Individual Award Values (not to exceed)
Interdisciplinary Research Development Grant	Oct. 2, 2019	\$5,000 or \$7,500 (if research & equipment funding are requested)
Field Research Support Grants	Oct. 2, 2019	\$5,000, or \$7,500 (if research & equipment funding are requested)
Exploratory Research Pilot Grants	Oct. 2, 2019	\$5,000, or \$7,500 (if research & equipment funding are requested)
Research Equipment Grants	Oct. 2, 2019	\$5,000

INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

- **Deadline for Application:** Oct. 2, 2019 at 5 p.m.
- **Grant funding period:** Nov. 15, 2019-Aug. 31, 2020
- **Funding limit:** Two categories of funding are available. Faculty are eligible to apply for:
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This competitive program provides seed funding for interdisciplinary teams to develop new and innovative research directions with the goal of competing for future external funding opportunities. Areas of particular interest include emerging areas of significant research funding (including, but not limited to, climate change, resilience, cyber security, STEM education, affordable health care, health, digital arts and humanities, etc). Applicants should consult with their department chair(s) and dean(s) about areas of special interest within their college. Projects whose teams consist of PIs and co-PIs from different colleges are heavily favored. An explicit strategy for securing external funding must be outlined in the proposal. The proposal must describe how the early collaborative efforts will result in new research or creative activities that will lead to external funding, and how MSU Texas will benefit from the research. The grant must identify at least one external funding opportunity that the team will commit to applying for.

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separately using the Graduate Student Research Grant application form. When requesting a graduate student grant, the PI should make clear the role played by the student in the proposed research. In addition, please remember that all graduate student grants must be expended within the same academic year in which it is awarded—not at the end of the fiscal year, as with faculty grants.

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EXPLORATORY RESEARCH PILOT GRANTS

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The research pilot grant is intended to support the research and creative activities of faculty members gathering data. In order to be eligible for this program, the applicant must be with the university in a tenured or tenure-track position.

The goal of this program is to support and encourage the development of strong programs of research and creative scholarship by faculty members throughout the university. Grants are considered startup funds for research, in that they should lead to the growth and development of continuing research programs. They are not a continuing source of support for an ongoing program; nor should they be viewed as an alternative source of funds for programs already developed to a level that would normally justify support from external agencies. Neither should they provide travel funds to attend or present at professional meetings. Faculty members are encouraged to develop proposals for projects that have a potential to produce future externally-funded support.

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