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Please submit through our portal:

<https://psychology.arizona.edu/psychology-department-faculty-pilot-grant>
and scroll down to “submit your proposal”

Psychology Department Request for Proposals (RFP): Faculty Pilot Grant Award

Proposal Submission Due Date: April 10th, 2023

Purpose and Research Objectives: The Department of Psychology invites proposals for research studies to provide essential pilot data to support the submission of new externally funded federal grants (e.g., NIH, NSF, DoD, DARPA, DOJ). Submissions requesting bridge funding are also accepting. Bridge funding is defined by NIH to include: “interim funding to continue federally funded research projects that have a demonstrated likelihood of continued federal funding pending resubmission of a grant proposal.”

Mechanism of Support: Grants of up to \$10,000 each in direct costs only will be awarded. The funding period is for one year.

Application Criteria and Eligibility Requirements: Pilot grant proposals will be considered from Psychology Department faculty of any rank. Post-Doctoral Fellows or graduate students are not eligible for this grant mechanism. Individual proposals will be limited to \$10,000 for the costs needed to collect key pilot data to support the submission of a competitive externally funded federal grant application within 18 months of the start of pilot grant award. Pilot grant funds cannot be used for faculty salary or teaching buyouts. Submitting multiple applications as PI or Co-PI during the same grant submission cycle is discouraged, but serving as a Co-Investigator on one or more additional proposals may be allowed, provided the aims and goals of the applications are substantially different. Recipients must agree to utilize the grant application feedback process provided by the Psychology Research Committee prior to submitting the associated external federal grant and that at least 75% of the indirect costs for the federal grant submission will be retained within the Psychology Department. Pilot grants that support programs of research that help to advance collaborations among Psychology Department faculty are especially encouraged.

Application Procedures: The proposals should include the following: (using standard 11 or 12 point Arial or Times New Roman font and 0.5 inch margins throughout the application)

1) Cover letter with names and contact information for 3 – 5 potential suggested reviewers from our Psychology Department, within the UA research community, or outside the UA

2) Face page with PI, application title, grant mechanism (i.e., Faculty Pilot Grant Award), list of Senior/Key personnel/collaborators, project performance sites, and project summary/abstract (abstract length limited to 30 lines or less)

3) Budget – limited to up to \$10,000 in direct costs with no indirect costs allowed (For providing the Detailed Budget use PHS 398 NIH fillable form from “Form Page 4: Detailed Budget for Initial Budget Period”: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html>)

4) Budget Justification

5) Biographical Sketches for Key Personnel using the NIH Biosketch Format:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm>

1. 6) Research Plan including the following: (limited to 3 pages) • Specific Aims (up to one page)
2. • Research Strategy including Significance, Innovation, Approach Sections, and a table with a timeline
3. • Plan for Submission of External Federal Grant Application

7) References Cited

All materials should be combined into a single pdf document for submission. The combined pdf should be named with the PIs last name, grant mechanism (i.e., Faculty Pilot Grant Award), and date of submission. The named pdf should be uploaded by the end of day (midnight, AZ time) on April 10th using the Psychology Research Committee website link for the “Faculty Pilot Grant Submission”

<https://psychology.arizona.edu/psychology-department-faculty-pilot-grant>.

If you have any difficulties with the submission process, please contact: Arne Ekstrom
adekstrom@arizona.edu.

Application Review Criteria: Proposals will be reviewed for both scientific and technical merit. Final award decisions will be made by the Psychology Research Subcommittee and notifications of award are expected to be made in May 2023. The anticipated funding start date of awarded applications is summer 2023. Funded applicants will be expected to submit a Progress Report to the committee at least 18 months after the start of the award.

Questions: If you have questions about the pilot grant submission or review process, please contact Arne Ekstrom (adekstrom@arizona.edu). Questions will be shared with the research committee as deemed necessary.