



Board of Regents Support Fund

• OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND SPONSORED PROGRAMS •

Research Competitiveness Subprogram (RCS)

Program Objective:

- ✿ The RCS program targets junior researchers on the threshold of becoming nationally competitive to build and strengthen their fundamental research base.
- ✿ All PIs and Co-PIs must be full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty.

Eligibility:

- ✿ Faculty may serve as PI/co-PI on a maximum of 1 RCS or RCS One-Year project at any one time (This includes RCS or RCS One-Year Funding in last year's competition).
- ✿ Project period of 1 to 3 years (start date June 1, 2027).
- ✿ Maximum total project funding request of \$200,000 over a three-year period.
- ✿ Eligible disciplines:

Group I

- * Biological Sciences
- * Computer & Information Sciences
- * Earth and Environmental Sciences

Group II

- * Agricultural Sciences
- * Mathematics
- * Engineering A (Chemical, Civil, Electrical, etc.)
- * Physics / Astronomy
- * Social Sciences

NOTE: The topic of the proposal determines eligibility, not the academic background of the applicant.

RCS Funding Guidelines

- ✿ PI salary & fringe benefits (25% academic year + 2 summer months)
- ✿ Student and support personnel
- ✿ Travel
- ✿ Supplies
- ✿ Equipment (must include a 25% cash match)
- ✿ Publication Costs
- ✿ Other expenses

ORSP Budgetary Guidelines

PIs must use the EXCEL budget spreadsheets provided on the [ORSP BoRSF webpage](#). These spreadsheets contain additional budget information and will automatically calculate the correct fringe benefits, indirect costs, and the composite budget page.

Relevant Deadlines

- ✿ September 1st – NOI uploaded by PI to LOGAN & released to ORSP
- ✿ September 9th – NOI submitted to BoR by ORSP
- ✿ October 5th – PI docs to ORSP for 1st review by 9 a.m.
- ✿ October 12th – PI docs to ORSP for 2nd review by 9 a.m.
- ✿ October 15th – Last day to ask questions about the RFP to BoR, see RFP
- ✿ October 26th – PI docs to ORSP for routing by 9 a.m. Full proposal must be FINAL!
- ✿ November 4th – Proposals submitted by ORSP to BoR via LOGAN

Interested faculty should review the complete RFP available [here](#) at the Board of Regents website.

Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact [your assigned ORSP Pre-Award Grant Specialist](#) or the ORSP office at 482-5811.