Funding is available for faculty development projects designed to enhance undergraduate research activities at ECU and elsewhere in North Carolina. This support is available through a combination of funds awarded by the UNC General Administration Undergraduate Research Program and matching funds managed by the Office of Undergraduate Research at ECU.

Creative and adaptable approaches are encouraged for these Areas of Focus:

- **Assessment**: Strategies for evaluating undergraduate research projects, using data to improve the experience or providing feedback for funding support.
- **Diversity and Inclusion in Research**: Effective strategies for promoting diversity-serving undergraduate research, undergraduate research that informs diversity issues, collaborations that have brought in diverging perspectives to undergraduate research.
- **Course-based Undergraduate Research Experiences**: Methods, approaches, courses, and practices that have proven very effective in achieving learning outcomes that incorporate undergraduate research. This can include the retooling of existing courses, applied research in courses and embedded research projects within courses.

**Budget:**
We will fund requests in the range of $500 - $1,300 for individuals or teams. Funds may be used at the discretion of the awardee within the guidelines for state funds. For 9-month employees, stipends to be paid during first summer session are allowed. *All awarded funds must be used by June 30, 2018.* Proposal deadline: Feb. 5, 2018, 11:59 p.m.

**General Guidelines:**
Please submit a 1 page (maximum) proposal that includes:
- Title of project and Area of focus (chosen from the three above areas)
- Description of proposed project, which should be transferable or adaptable for broader implementation.
- Amount requested and brief budget justification.

In addition, a 2 to 3-page CV for each team member in either NIH, NSF format (with current and pending support) or in the following format:

- **Name**
- **Rank & Department**
  - A. Institutions/Degrees received
  - B. Professional work experience
  - C. Scholarship: publications and/or past projects
  - D. Awards and achievements (list awards and honors, editorial boards, etc.): 
  - E. Current and past internal research/creative activity awards (e.g., Faculty Senate awards, School and/or College awards)
  - F. Current and pending external grants and awards

**Expectations:**
- All awardees are expected to participate in the UNC System-Wide Undergraduate Research Development Summit on March 23 & 24, 2018 at UNC-Greensboro. Partial travel support may be available that is separate from this award. Please note the project does not need to be completed by then.
- At the end of the grant period, a two-page report of outcomes (Due. Sept. 1, 2018)

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