



## OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

GEORGIA COLLEGE & STATE UNIVERSITY

# Provost's Research and Development Seed Grant Program

**Overview:** The Office of the Provost & Academic Affairs is pleased to unveil the Provost's Research and Development Seed Grant Program. The seed grant is designed to support and increase faculty institutional research initiatives. This funding (university-wide up to \$150,000 per year) aims to enhance GCSU's research capacity, foster innovative projects, and provide essential resources to leverage faculty pursuing larger grants.

**Eligibility:** The seed grant is open to Georgia College & State University faculty members who have a proven research track record, including published work, awarded grants, national and international conference presentations as well as collaborative research projects with external institutions or industry partners. Preference will be given to faculty poised for securing external funding. Proposals should outline how the funding will facilitate significant research advancements and enhance the potential for obtaining external funding.

### Seed Grant Fund (Maximum Individual Award of \$50,000)

The multi-year seed grant is aimed to support innovative ideas, foster collaboration, and promote the advancement of Research & Development within our institution. By providing the necessary funding, we hope to stimulate groundbreaking research that can lead to significant scientific discoveries to leverage larger external funding.

**Budget Categories:** Personnel funding (part-time/temporary grant coordinator, undergraduate & graduate assistant), course-release, equipment, materials and supplies, preliminary data collection, and travel.

### Application Process: Application Due Date – October 15, Award Announced November 15

Interested applicants should submit a detailed proposal including the following: **Project Summary:** Provide a concise summary of your research project that is accessible to a general audience. **Project Description:** Outline the research project or initiative, include a section on Intellectual Merit of the project and the Broader Impact.

**Budget & Budget Justification:** Provide a detailed budget that outlines the requested funds and includes a clear justification for each budget line. **Timeline:** Include a project timeline with key milestones (limit 2 years).

**Expected Outcomes:** Describe the expected impact and potential for leveraging larger grants that include potential sponsors. **Curriculum Vitae:** Include a CV for the Principal Investigator and Key Personnel.

**Feasibility Plan:** Detail plans for leveraging funding for larger external grants, include potential sponsors.

Proposals will be reviewed by the GCSU Research Advisory Committee.