

Research Competitiveness Subprogram (RCS)



RCS: Overview



- ▶ RCS is a **stimulus** program directed only toward researchers at the threshold of **becoming competitive** on a consistent basis in the **federal R&D** marketplace.
- ▶ Proposed research must include **fundamental** (basic) research **contributions** rather than simply the application of existing knowledge.
- ▶ **Junior** researchers at the threshold of competitiveness are given priority over senior researchers **changing fields**.

RCS: Program Types



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- ▶ For projects lasting up to **three years**
- ▶ Max request is **\$200,000**

RCS One-Year

- ▶ For projects lasting **one year**
- ▶ Max request is **\$20,000**

RCS: Eligibility



- ▶ You may only serve as PI or Co-PI on **one** RCS grant at a time
- ▶ If you are currently benefitting from RCS funding or received funding **last year** (start date 6/1/22), you are **not** eligible
- ▶ If you received funding in **FY 2022 or earlier**, you **are** eligible

Disciplines

- ▶ Biological Sciences I and II
- ▶ Computer & Information Sciences
- ▶ Earth/Environmental Sciences
- ▶ Agricultural Sciences
- ▶ Engineering A (Chemical, Civil, Electrical, etc.)
- ▶ Mathematics
- ▶ Physics/Astronomy
- ▶ Social Sciences

RCS: Budgets



F&A (Indirect) Costs

- ▶ 25% of salary, wages, and payroll benefits

Salary Limitations

- ▶ 25% of academic salary + 2 summer months

Equipment

- ▶ Must include 25% cash match

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The Office of Research maintains a [webpage](#) dedicated to Board of Regents funding—including a **budget spreadsheet** that will *automatically* calculate the correct F&A costs, payroll benefits, and more!

RCS: Cost Share



- ▶ **Startup funds** may be included as cost share.
- ▶ **Unrecovered F&A** may be included as cost share.
- ▶ **Equipment** must include 25% cash match.



RCS: In Summary



- ▶ **Geared toward researchers who need support becoming competitive in the federal R&D marketplace**
- ▶ **Program Types**
 - ▶ **RCS:** up to \$200,000 over 3 years
 - ▶ **RCS One-Year:** up to \$20,000 for 1 year

[Get the RFP](#)

Deliverable	Where	Deadline (by 4:30 PM)
UNO Grant Writer Service Request form	SharePoint	Thursday, September 8
BoR Notice of Intent	LOGAN	Monday, September 12
UNO Proposal Routing form	SharePoint	Monday, October 10
BoR Proposal	LOGAN	Monday, November 7