

# Request for Proposals (RFP)

## Student Research Grant

*The College of Health Sciences (CHS) has money available for student research. College of Health Sciences students, currently admitted to a CHS program, are encouraged to submit proposals for research funding.*

**Awards will be announced at the College of Health Sciences Research Day  
Thursday, March 28, 2019**

## Guidelines:

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CHS seed grant funds are intended to support student research in the College of Health Sciences. Applicants are requested to submit proposals that will support a research project, a Master's thesis, or PhD dissertation research. Applicants must be continuing their studies within the CHS in the following year. Funds are available for use during the **12 months** following funding of your project. Funding cannot be used for student salary. There is a **3-year eligibility cycle** for this award, i.e. a student receiving funding for this award cannot apply again for 3 years.

**Maximum Award:** \$1,000

**Submission Deadline:** February 15, 5:00pm MST

**Requirements:** Proposals must be **1500** words or less (excluding Appendices) and **must include** the following:

1. COVER SHEET and PAYMENT INFORMATION (final 2 pages of this document)
2. INTRODUCTION (provide general context for the research)
3. SIGNIFICANCE/INNOVATION (address importance and scientific merit of the research; address **relevance to the human health and well-being** (e.g., education, health outcomes))
4. APPROACH (include strategy, methodology, and data analysis plan)
5. FUTURE PLAN (describe how this proposal fits within your overall research agenda; how this research will result in additional grant funding by referring to funding agency and submission dates)
6. APPENDICES
  - must include**
    - a. Proposed budget with justification
    - b. Bibliography
    - c. Letter of support from faculty mentor

**NOTE: Proposals will be reviewed by faculty and students from all disciplines in the CHS, thus, should be written in a manner that is understood by all in general (i.e. avoid ambiguity, avoid discipline-specific jargon, clearly define discipline-specific topics or procedures, etc.).**

**Evaluation:** Each proposal will be carefully reviewed by all CHS research committee members and scored as follows:

- **Significance/innovation:** Is there a strong scientific foundation for the project? Does the project address an important problem or critical barrier in the field? If the goals of the project are achieved, how will scientific knowledge and/or clinical practice be improved? Are the concepts, approaches, methodologies, or interventions novel to the field or novel in a broad sense? Or, do the concepts,

- approaches, methodologies, or interventions reflect a refinement or improvement in current practices?
- **Approach:** Are the strategy, methodology, and analysis plan clear, well-reasoned, and appropriate to accomplish the project goals? Are the strategies appropriate for the work proposed?
  - **Future plan:** Is the project relevant to the investigator research topic and future goals? Are the future funding plans clear and reasonable?
  - **Overall quality:** Is the proposal clear, organized, and well-written? Are all proposal requirements met?

<b>4 = Excellent</b>	<b>3 = Good</b>	<b>2 = Average</b>	<b>1 = Acceptable</b>	<b>0 = Unacceptable</b>
Application addresses a problem of <b>high</b> importance/interest. May have very little or no weaknesses in other criteria (approach, future plan, or overall quality).	Application addresses a problem of <b>high</b> importance/interest. Overall impact is brought down by weaknesses in other criteria (approach, future plan, or overall quality).	Application addresses a problem of <b>moderate</b> importance/interest, with some or no weaknesses other criteria (approach, future plan, or overall quality).	Application addresses a problem of <b>moderate</b> importance/interest. Overall impact is brought down by weaknesses in other criteria (approach, future plan, or overall quality).	Application addresses a problem of <b>low</b> or <b>no</b> importance/interest. Overall impact is brought down by weaknesses in other criteria (approach, future plan, or overall quality).

The mean score will be calculated and used for ranking. In case of tie, additional voting will be performed to determine the rank.

Although the quality of research proposal is mostly valued, the actual ranking will be **needs-based** and the following rules will be applied:

- ✓ A proposal submitted by a non-tenured faculty member will receive a bonus of 10% of its mean score when it is ranked with proposals submitted by tenured faculty.
- ✓ If an applicant who is already ranked high (top 3) in the faculty seed grant application also competes for the faculty travel awards, the mean score of his/her travel award application will be discounted for 10% before being ranked.
- ✓ If the proposal remained to be top ranked after the application of the above two rules, the proposal should be recommended for an award regardless.

**Directions:** Proposals including the cover page (attached below) should be submitted to the assignment folder of “**Student Research Grant**” on the **WyoGroups** named **CHS Research Committee**. Please email Jenifer Thomas (jthoma41@uwyo.edu) to request membership for this WyoGroup before submission. All submission should be made by **February 15, 2019**. The submission file should be named as “**XXX-CHS Student Seed Apply-19**”. Obviously, your last name will replace the XXX above.

For questions, please contact:  
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 CHS Research Committee Chair  
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**College of Health Sciences  
Student Research Grant Proposal 2019  
Required Cover Sheet**

**Faculty Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**College unit** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title of Research Project**

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**Budget Request: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Detailed Budget Proposal (see restrictions above)**

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If you are **not** a UW employee please complete the supplier registration by clicking [here](#).

Please provide the date you completed the supplier registration [Click or tap to enter a date.](#)

UW employees will receive their award payment with their paycheck. Non UW employees will receive their award payment via check or direct deposit, if the bank account information section is not completed on the supplier registration you will receive a check.

Please return this form to Leslie Montoya in the Health Sciences Deans office, HS235 or [ldarnall@uwyo.edu](mailto:ldarnall@uwyo.edu)

If you have any questions please contact me.

Thank you,

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