CFA INCENTIVE SEED GRANT PROGRAM
Deadline: May 30, 2015
(Future Deadlines: October 19, 2015 & February 19, 2016)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
The CFA Incentive Seed Grant Program supports areas of research likely to generate extramural funding. Successful applicants will use the CFA Incentive funds to develop proposals for extramural funds that will support projects long term. Preference will be given to proposals that: (1) have a high potential for extramural funding, (2) have significant merit in creative & scholarly arts research, and/or (3) build cross-disciplinary research partnerships.

ELIGIBILITY
• Only one proposal per applicant will be accepted in any application cycle.
• No restrictions on research collaborators, but that information must be included in the proposal.
• Proposals already submitted to an extramural agency or already reviewed and found non-competitive by an extramural agency will not be accepted. However, The CFA Research Grants & Awards Committee will consider proposals previously submitted to an extramural agency that were declined on the basis of insufficient preliminary information if the PI submits an official letter from the agency specifically stating the deficiency or absence of preliminary information.
• If an application is unsuccessful in the CFA, the CFA will accept a revised proposal once. Revised proposals must indicate changes from previous proposal and responses to reviewer comments.

PROPOSAL (please include the following):
1. Abstract: half of 1 page
2. Project Description: 2-3 pages
   • General background and significance of the research
   • Specific goals and anticipated results
   • Discussion of project methods
3. Summary of changes and response to reviewers comments (resubmissions only): 1 page
4. Bibliography: 1 page
5. Plan for extramural support: 1-2 pages
   • Provide a specific plan for development of an extramural proposal, including answers to the following questions:
     o From which extramural programs will you seek support? Please include deadlines.
     o If you have not yet identified specific extramural funding opportunities, which potential funding programs will you monitor for RFP announcements and on what basis do you assume they will likely announce RFPs relevant to your project in the near future?
     o Why do you anticipate that this research will leverage external support?
     o Who will read and comment on your proposal before it is submitted for external funding?
6. Budget: The budget may not exceed $1,000
7. Current & Pending Support: List all grants received in the past 5 years, including from the University/CFA
8. CV
9. Letter of support from a colleague qualified to speak to the quality & fundability of the research project
REVIEW CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated using the following criteria:

• Does the project have a high chance of receiving extramural support?
• Have extramural opportunities been identified and are they reasonable?
• Does the applicant have the experience necessary to carry out the project?
• Are the significance and merit of the research clearly conveyed?
• Are the goals and expected results clear and are they reasonable, given the resources available?
• Are the project methods outlined and do they reflect the goals stated in the proposal?
• Will the project strengthen the national and/or international reputation of the CFA and/or will the project benefit the CFA long term?

REPORTING REQUIREMENT

Within one year, successful applicants must submit at least one proposal for extramural funding and provide a copy of this proposal to the CFA as the final report for the Incentive Seed Grant.

FUNDS AVAILABILITY

Funds will be transferred to the faculty member’s home department/school within one month of submission deadline.

SUBMISSION

Please submit your proposal as an electronic pdf by 5:00 p.m. on the due date to Associate Dean Projansky, sarah.projansky@utah.edu.