

URI Foundation Competitive Grant Program

CRITERIA FOR SUCCESSFUL PROPOSALS

- ✓ Competitive grants are available to all tenure-track faculty, lecturers and full-time staff. The project must benefit students in the classroom, laboratory, and other educational settings.
- ✓ The project should be a start-up program with the Foundation's grant providing seed money, as opposed to being used for a continuing expense or an expansion of an existing program. If future grants or other support will be required, full details should be provided.
- ✓ Given the emergence of new learning priorities at URI and in higher education nationally, projects focused on interdisciplinary teaching and learning, active e-learning to promote student engagement, problem-based and experiential learning, and global perspectives are especially encouraged.
- ✓ Please list alternative sources of support and funding that have been investigated for this project – i.e., general revenue budgets, state and federal grants, foundations, research council grants, visiting scholars, and/or alumni faculty development grants. In addition, please list what alternative funding has been successfully secured.
- ✓ The project should not represent a duplication of services, equipment, or facilities already available within the University. The principal investigator must thoroughly review this issue.
- ✓ This fund does not support faculty travel unless it is associated directly with the delivery of new pilot travel courses for students. Financial support for student assistance, funding for summer faculty support and meeting refreshments will not be provided.
- ✓ Prior proposals funded by the Foundation and accomplishments/recognition should be explained.
- ✓ Proposals must carry the signatures of the department chair and the college dean or their official designees. Proposals from administrative units must carry equivalent signatures.