

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey  
Office of Research and Sponsored Programs  
is pleased to announce  
the University Research Council Program  
of small grants  
for the faculty's use in Fiscal Year 2008-2009

**PURPOSE** By means of small grants, the Research Council supports studies leading to significant outside funding and publication in all fields of learning represented in the University as well as creative work in the arts. Applicants may request funds for a variety of needs, such as equipment and supplies, help, publication subvention, research colloquia, and essential travel related to research - in short, funds to cover expenses directly related to research and to other creative endeavors. Requests for wages of labor must be justified fully in convincing detail.

Faculty members in the biomedical sciences may apply to the Research Council or to the Busch program, *but not to both*, for support of a health-related research project. Since Research Council funds are in extremely short supply and must be used for all disciplines, faculty members in the biomedical sciences are strongly encouraged to make the Busch program their priority.

**ELIGIBLE** Full-time members of the Rutgers faculty.

**NOT ELIGIBLE** Assistant Professors in their sixth year of tenure-track appointment ◊ Visiting persons ◊ Emeriti.

Research Council grants may not be used to support research leading to an academic degree for the grant recipient from Rutgers or any other university.

**DEADLINE** Applications must be completed and returned to the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs on or before **Friday, March 7, 2008**. *Late applications will not be accepted.*

**APPLICATIONS** Applications and instructions are available on the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) website: <http://orsp.rutgers.edu/formsandinstructions.asp> or from Joan Suber at [suber@orsp.rutgers.edu](mailto:suber@orsp.rutgers.edu). *The website also includes previously funded applications selected by the Council for use as models by those seeking guidance in proposal writing.*

- Only one application is acceptable per faculty member.
- One member of a collaborative research group must act as applicant for the group.

**OUTSIDE SUPPORT** As the Research Council's funds are limited, the faculty is encouraged to seek support from outside the University. Help with acquiring external funding can be found at [http://orsp.rutgers.edu/External\\_funding.php](http://orsp.rutgers.edu/External_funding.php). Note: Applicants who are successful in receiving outside funding will not receive Research Council support for the same project. However, the Council will consider funding an unanticipated need or innovative pilot research derived from an outside sponsored project.

**AWARDS** Research Council awards, which average \$1,200 - \$1,500 and have a maximum of \$5,000, are conditional upon the availability of funds from the State. Awards are made on the recommendation of peer review panels guided by the priority system outlined in the application form. Notification of awards will be mailed in June for use starting July 1, 2008.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** Those with questions concerning the Research Council Grants Program should call Dr. David Pramer 732.932.0150x3027 or Joan Suber 732.932.0150x2118.