**Southeastern Veterinary Education Consortium**

**Research Grants Program**

**Purpose of the Program**

The goal of the Southeastern Veterinary Education Consortium Educational Research Grants Program is to encourage and cultivate collaborative education research scholarship among SEVEC membership within and across institutions. This program is conceptually linked to the Mentorship program and intended to be used as a resource for mentor/mentee collaborative work, though such a team is not required for application.

Since these goals include the promotion of educational research awareness within and without the consortium, it is expected that results from projects funded through this program will result in a scientific presentation and/or publication, including presentation to the SEVEC community.

A total of $5,000 is available for funding, and potential grantees may request up to $5,000 for their project. The judging panel may choose to award more than one grant, even if this means reducing the allotted funding amount of the selected grantees. In the case that an award is made for a reduced amount and the awardee requires the full amount requested, the awardee is eligible to submit a full proposal to the SEVEC VER grant program for the remaining budgetary needs up to $2500. Extensions for up to one extra year may be requested with justification, although no additional funds may be requested. At least one award will be made and announced during Boot Camp.

Proposals are to be submitted through the “Dolphin Tank” activity at the annual SEVEC Bootcamp.

**Evaluation of Proposals**

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Each proposal for the Dolphin Tank activity will be presented live to Bootcamp participants and a pre-selected panel of three grant reviewers/judges from different colleges. The panel will select a winner based on the live pitch, a written submission, and a proposed budget submission.

**Dolphin Tank Submission Guidelines**

Proposals to be presented at the Dolphin Tank include three parts:

1. 3 Minute “Pitch” Proposal with one PowerPoint slide or poster
2. Written submission
3. Budget submission

Part 1 (Pitch) is due on the day of Bootcamp. Parts 2 & 3 must be submitted no less than three business days before Bootcamp begins. Submit documents to ehh0019@auburn.edu as pdfs.

**1) Three Minute “Pitch”**

- Presented by one or more member of the research team at SEVEC Bootcamp

 *It is not required for all members to be present. At least one member must be a participant in the Bootcamp.*

- Three minutes of verbal presentation to include:

 - **Title**

 - **Introduction** (Problem, Significance, Hypothesis if applicable)

 - **Methods**

 - **Projected Impact**

**-** A “one pager” slide or poster to support presentation

**2) Written Submission Format**

- Limit 3 pages for Project Description, not including References List

- Double spaced (27 text lines per page), 1” margins on top, bottom, and sides

- Arial 11 point or Times New Roman 12 point is required

- Figures, charts, tables and legends may be smaller but must be legible and included in the Project Description. No appendix material will be accepted.

- Write your proposal for colleagues who may not be experts in your area. Avoid jargon and excess use of abbreviations specific to your research area.

**Project Description:**

- List Title, PI’s & Co-I’s

- Introduction: A brief summary of problem and significance, the research question, and a hypothesis (if appropriate).

- Background: Include a brief review of pertinent literature.

- Methods: Briefly outline the proposed participants, materials, design, and procedure to be followed.

- Projected Impact: List theoretical implications for veterinary education, how the proposed study fits into long-term research goals of the PI or Co-Is, and plans for publication of results.

\*\* References: Abbreviated list of citations that are directly relevant to this project. Include an abbreviated list of authors and full titles of papers or chapters. The reference list does not count towards page limit, but should be no more than a page itself.

\*\* IRB: Selected proposals may also require your college’s IRB review before receiving funding. You may apply for funding before receiving IRB approval. Remember that all research with human subjects must be reviewed by the IRB before it can start. Party to this, each PI and Co-I may be required to complete CITI ethics training for research involving human subjects. Please contact the SEVEC Research Manager if you would like assistance with this process.

**3) Budget Submission:**

The budget should be completed in the SEVEC Research Proposal Budget Template (included below) and should be rounded to the NEAREST DOLLAR.

Budgets must be well-defined and itemized, including quotes for any equipment or materials to be purchased. Justification must be provided for temporary labor. Travel funds are limited to those necessary for conducting the research, such as collection of samples. Justification for providing research incentives must be provided.

**Research Proposal Budget -- SEVEC Research Support**

**Primary Investigator**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**University: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

(ROUND TO NEAREST DOLLAR)

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| **Total** | **$** |

Do you expect any matching or in-kind funding from other sources? If so, please name the source organization, amount, and any additional requirements below.