Call for Proposals
Pilot Project Awards for
UVM Faculty Research in Complex Systems Modeling

Application due by web submission on Oct. 30, 2007

Vermont EPSCoR requests proposals for pilot projects in the area of complex systems computation. There are two types of awards available: those limited to the faculty in the CSYS core group of the VT EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement grant, and those available to UVM faculty at large, but both are for pilot project research using or studying complex systems computation.

Pilot Project Support

- For Pilot Project support, award funds will begin by Jan 1, 2008 and should be expended by June 30, 2008. Because this is a short time frame, arrange your budget accordingly to finish spending on time.

- A call for pilot project proposals will be made in spring 2008 when it will be possible to apply for renewal of these pilot projects (based on demonstrable progress).

- Applications must be submitted on our application website, which you can access beginning Oct. 1, 2007 at http://www.uvm.edu/EPSCoR


- You may request up to $25,000 in Pilot Project support. Small projects under $10,000 will not be considered.

Eligibility Requirements

- Only UVM full time tenure track or research track at the levels of Res. Asst. Prof., Res.Assoc. Prof. or Res. Prof. are eligible to apply. Tenure track faculty will be given priority.
- Research clearly in complex systems computation

Application Review

A panel of faculty will review the proposals. Criteria include:

- Focus on complex systems computation
- Intellectual merit of research plan
- Broader impacts of project on education or society
Appropriate budget. This may include graduate student support, summer salary, software, travel to assist in collaborations, workshop fees.

Obligations that Come with Funding

- If awarded Pilot Project support, your attendance is expected at the VT EPSCoR annual meeting, where you should present your work, however preliminary, in a poster or talk.
- Award funds will begin by Jan. 1, 2008 and must be expended by June 30, 2008.
- You are expected to complete the annual VT EPSCoR Survey and provide data for our Annual Progress Report.

Checklist for Faculty Applications for Pilot Project Support

SUBMIT ON THE VT EPSCoR WEBSITE BY Oct. 30, 2007:

http://www.uvm.edu/EPSCoR

- Abstract (200 words)
- Budget (1 page) and Justification (1 page)
- Research Plan
  - A-D not to exceed 5 pages
    - A. Specific Aims (usually less than one page)
    - B. Background and Significance (1-2 pages)
    - C. Preliminary Studies (substantial preliminary data not required, but helpful) (1-2 pages)
    - D. Research Design and Methods (2-3 pages)
    - E. Literature Cited (extra pages as needed)
- Biographical sketch (2 pages)
- Current and Pending Funding (1 page)

Application Deadlines:

Beginning October 1, 2007 you can access the application site on our VT EPSCoR website to submit your application online at http://www.uvm.edu/EPSCoR.

Your application must be submitted on the VT EPSCoR website by 4 pm on Oct. 30, 2007.