To: Deans, Chairs, Faculty  
From: Frances E. Carr, Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies  
Date: May 30, 2008  
Re: Research Opportunities Grants Program

The Research Opportunities Grants Program is being launched to support the research, scholarship, and creative activities of the faculty at UVM. This program has been developed in consultation with faculty, the Research Advisory Board, the Research, Scholarship, and Graduate Education Committee of the Faculty Senate and senior leadership of the university, these programs are meant to complement and advance ongoing work and advance the success of the faculty. These funds are not intended to duplicate resources currently available in departments, schools, and colleges nor replace “start-up” funds for new faculty. The continuation of these programs is dependent upon the demonstrated impact and success of the faculty who receive these awards and availability of funds.

The grants program is intended to support 1) career enhancement in traditionally underfunded disciplines, 2) innovative pilot research projects, 3) preliminary interdisciplinary research projects, 4) multi-investigator and multi-unit development proposals greater than $1M, and 5) critical research equipment for multiple users.

This program generally does not support: textbook development, preparation of course-related materials, department symposia or seminars, sabbatical salary, travel to conferences and meetings, bridge funding or budgetary deficiencies in research grants or contracts, projects with primary purpose to support graduate students, reprints or publication costs or “start-up” funds for new faculty.

The Research Opportunities Grants Program application materials and supporting documents are located on the UVM Research web site.

Attachment: Research Opportunities Grants Program

CC: Daniel M. Fogel, President  
John M. Hughes, Provost
Purpose: These awards are intended to provide assistance to investigators in the formation and support of research teams to develop multi-investigator and multi-disciplinary grant applications. These proposals are expected to have budgets greater than $1 million. The Proposal Development Fund (PDF) will support UVM faculty with funds for proposal development and writing. Specifically, funds may be used for compiling preliminary data, release time, summer salary and fringe, travel, materials and supplies, equipment, computer services, consultant services, and other justifiable expenses.

Amount and Time Frame of Award: Awards of up to $25,000 will be made with funds to be expended between October 1, 2008 and September 30, 2009. Proposals may be coupled with commitments from college deans to cover costs beyond $25,000. Awards will be announced in September 2008.

Requirements of the award: Submission of a grant proposal to an external funding agency within 12 months of receipt of a PDF award is required.

Compliance: Recipients must adhere to all universities research policies, including those related to potential conflicts of interest. Proposals that use human subjects, vertebrate animals, recombinant DNA, infectious agents, and/or biologically-derived toxins must obtain the appropriate approval(s) before funding can be awarded.

General Eligibility: All full-time UVM faculty are eligible to apply.

Review Process: An interdisciplinary panel of faculty scholars will review proposals and make recommendations to the Vice President for Research who will make the final decision.
Application Instructions: Because proposals are evaluated by an interdisciplinary peer review panel, they should be written to be understood by faculty who are not experts in the applicant’s field. Applicants should limit their use of jargon and acronyms. Applications should address the review and award criteria described at the end of this program announcement.

The proposal must be prepared using a12 point font with a minimum of one (1) inch margins on all sides. Each copy of the proposal should be on standard 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper with all pages numbered and abide by the page limits noted below.

All material submitted for review must be contained in a single package. The relevant signatures MUST appear on the proposal cover page.

The original and 8 copies should be delivered to the Office of Sponsored Programs (either 231 Rowell or 340 Waterman) by 4:30 p.m. on the deadline date. In addition, the proposal as a single document (in either Word or pdf format) should be submitted by email to Ruth Farrell at rfarrell@uvm.edu. The cover page included in the electronic document does not need to contain signatures. Late proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances.

Complete Proposals will contain the following:

1. **Cover page** with signatures of the principal investigator, department chair(s) and dean(s).

2. **Project description:** The project description should be no more than five (5) pages (single-spaced) in length and should address:
   
   (i) A description of the project for which external sponsorship will be sought and the program to which the proposal will be submitted. A program announcement or RFA should be provided. Describe the significance of the project and assess the proposal fit and likelihood of obtaining funding, addressing both strengths and weaknesses.
   
   (ii) The activities to be undertaken with the PDF funds and how these activities will improve the likelihood of funding.
   
   (iii) Strategy for the development and submission of the proposal, including goals, objectives, and a set of activities, with a timeline for accomplishment.
   
   (iv) Qualifications of the proposed investigators.
   
   (v) Amount requested with a description of how funds will be used with specific justification for any faculty release time.

3. **Vitae:** Vitae (with a 3 page limit) of the principal investigator and any co-investigators. Information to be included: education (including degrees and dates awarded, period of any training), professional employment (listing dates and titles), full details of his/her pertinent publications (distinguishing between peer reviewed publications, proceedings, abstracts and other presentation), scholarly products and/or artistic production.
4. **Other Support:** (no page limit) A description of other support (internal and external) for the applicant’s research that has been received during the last five years; include other support that is pending.

**Review and Award Criteria:** A faculty peer review committee appointed by the Vice President for Research will review all proposals using the following criteria.

1. Significance – The extent to which the proposal to be developed and submitted to an extramural funding source will make an original and important contribution to the field of inquiry it addresses.

2. Project development strategy – The extent to which the goals and objectives are appropriate and the set of activities will yield a sound proposal for the proposed project.

3. Likelihood of funding – The likelihood the proposal to be developed and submitted will be selected for funding by the extramural sponsor.

4. Justification of the need of an interdisciplinary approach in the proposed project.

**Information:** Further information about the Proposal Development Fund Program described in this announcement may be obtained by contacting:

Ruth Farrell  
Associate Vice President for Research Administration  
Ruth.Farrell@uvm.edu, phone 656-3360
COVER PAGE
University of Vermont
Office of the Vice President for Research
Proposal Development Fund Application

Title of Project:

Proposed Sponsor/Program: ___________________________ Deadline

Principal Investigator (or Co-Principal Investigators):

Co-Investigators:

Departments:

Principal Investigator(s) Telephone Ext: ____________ e-mail: ____________

Amount Requested: $ ____________________________

Is there a commitment of additional funds from the deans or departments? No ☐ Yes ☐

If yes, indicate amount: $ ____________________________

Will any funds be used for release time? No ☐ Yes ☐
If Yes: Name ____________________________ % Effort From ___ to ___

Are human subjects involved? No ☐ Yes ☐ IRB# ____________ or Status

Are vertebrate animals involved? No ☐ Yes ☐ IACUC# ____________ or Status

Are infectious agents, recombinant DNA, or toxins involved? No ☐ Yes ☐ IBC# ____________ or Status

Signature of Principal Investigator(s): ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Signature of Department Chairperson(s): ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Signature of Dean(s): ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Proposal Development Fund
Purpose: This program provides support to stimulate interdisciplinary research that will enhance the competitiveness and success of investigators seeking new external support. The support, awarded on a competitive basis, is intended to catalyze collaboration among faculty across disciplines and schools or colleges in order to increase the probability of securing external grant support. The application must include a minimum of two faculty members from different colleges and disciplines. Awards will be made to teams with a high probability that a grant proposal will be submitted within 18 months of receipt of the internal award. An annual progress report and listing of external proposals submitted will be required.

This program is to support interdisciplinary work of outstanding promise that does not yet have funding from the applicants’ department, school, college or extramural funds. Proposals that provide matching opportunities within units are strongly encouraged but not required. These funds are not intended to replace faculty “start-up” resources.

Amount and Time Frame of Awards: The available research support will be for awards up to $50,000. Funding may start as early as October 1, 2008 and expended by March 30, 2010. Up to 6 awards averaging $40K are anticipated.

Compliance: Recipients must adhere to all universities research policies, including those related to potential conflicts of interest. Proposals that use human subjects, vertebrate animals, recombinant DNA, infectious agents, and/or biologically-derived toxins must obtain the appropriate approval(s) before funding can be awarded.

General Eligibility: All full-time faculty are encouraged to apply. Only one proposal submission per research team is permitted for each funding period.

Terms of Award: Budgets must be consistent with the scope of the proposed project. Use of funds for faculty salary must have specific justification. Applicants must commit to submitting an external funding proposal for the project within 18 months of the award. Annual reports are required detailing the project’s progress and listing proposal submitted and funding received. Notice of Awards will go out September 2008 and may commence October 1, 2008.

Review Process: An interdisciplinary panel of faculty scholars will review proposals and make recommendations to the Vice President for Research who will make the final decision.
**Application Instructions:** Because proposals are evaluated by an interdisciplinary peer review panel, they should be written to be understood by faculty who are not experts in the applicant’s field. Applicants should limit their use of jargon and acronyms. *Applications should address the review and award criteria described at the end of this program announcement.*

The proposal must be prepared using a 12 point font with a minimum of one (1) inch margins on all sides. Each copy of the proposal should be on standard 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper with all pages numbered and abide by the page limits noted below.

All material submitted for review must be contained in a single package. The relevant signatures MUST appear on the proposal cover page.

The original and 8 copies should be delivered to the Office of Sponsored Programs (either 231 Rowell or 340 Waterman) by 4:30 p.m. on the deadline date. In addition, the proposal as a single document (in either Word or pdf format) should be submitted by email to Ruth Farrell at rfarrell@uvm.edu. The cover page included in the electronic document does not need to contain signatures. Late proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances.

Complete Proposals will contain the following:

1. **Cover page** with signatures of the principal investigator, department chair(s) and dean(s).

2. **Project description:** The project description should be no more than five (5) pages (single-spaced) in length and should address:
   (i) A description of the project, including the problem to be addressed, its significance, the multidisciplinary approach that will be taken, and the advantage of this approach in addressing the problem.
   (ii) The methodology that will be used, including a timeline and individual roles and responsibilities among the collaborators.
   (iii) The names of agencies and programs to which the team will apply for funding and an analysis of why they are appropriate potential sponsors.
   (iv) Qualifications of the proposed investigators.
   (v) Amount requested with a description of how funds will be used with specific justification for any faculty release time.

3. **Vitae:** Vitae (with a 3 page limit) of the principal investigator and any co-investigators. Information to be included: education (including degrees and dates awarded, period of any training), professional employment (listing dates and titles), full details of his/her pertinent publications (distinguishing between peer reviewed publications, proceedings, abstracts and other presentation), scholarly products and/or artistic production.

4. **Other Support:** (no page limit) A description of other support (internal and external) for the applicant’s research that has been received during the last five years; include other support that is pending.
**Review and Award Criteria:** A faculty peer review committee appointed by the Vice President for Research will review all proposals using the following criteria.

1. Significance – The extent to which the collaborative activities proposed have the potential to make an original and important contribution to the field of inquiry it addresses.

2. Interdisciplinary and collaborative nature of the project and participation of investigators from multiple units.

3. Feasibility of the project – The extent to which the project includes sound methodology, an achievable timeline, and well thought out roles and responsibilities among collaborators.

4. Likelihood of funding – The potential that the collaboration will lead to external funding.

5. Qualifications of the investigators.

**Information:** Further information about the Interdisciplinary Research Development Fund Program described in this announcement may be obtained by contacting:

Ruth Farrell
Associate Vice President for Research Administration
*Ruth.Farrell@uvm.edu*, phone 656-3360
COVER PAGE
University of Vermont
Office of the Vice President for Research

Interdisciplinary Research Development Fund Application

Title of Project:

Proposed Sponsor/Program: Deadline

Principal Investigator or Co-Principal Investigators:

Co-Investigators:

Departments:

Principal Investigator Telephone Ext: e-mail:

Amount Requested: $

Is there a commitment of additional funds from the dean or department? No ☐ Yes ☐

If yes, indicate amount: $

Will any funds be used for release time? No ☐ Yes ☐

If Yes: Name % Effort From to

Are human subjects involved? No ☐ Yes ☐ IRB# or Status

Are vertebrate animals involved? No ☐ Yes ☐ IACUC# or Status

Are infectious agents, recombinant DNA, or toxins involved? No ☐ Yes ☐ IBC# or Status

Signature of Principal (or Co-Principal) Investigator(s):

________________________________________ Date:

Signature of Department Chairpersons: ___________________________ Date:

Signature of Deans: ____________________________________________ Date:

Interdisciplinary Research Development Fund
Office of the Vice President for Research

Innovation Research Grant Fund
Request for Applications
Deadline September 3, 2008

Purpose: This program is intended to provide support for the collection and analysis of data, formulation of models and other activities that will lead to the preparation and submission of proposals for extramural funding. Awards will be made to support innovative and high risk proposals that have the potential to be “ground-breaking” in their field(s), including developing new lines of research or application of prior research to new fields.

This program is to support faculty work of outstanding promise and innovation that does not have access to funding from the applicant’s department, school, college or extramural resources. These funds are not intended to replace faculty “start-up” or extramural funding.

Amount and Time Frame of Awards: The available research support will be for awards up to $20,000. Funding may start on October 1, 2008 and should be expended by September 30, 2009.

Compliance: Recipients must adhere to all universities research policies, including those related to potential conflicts of interest. Proposals that use human subjects, vertebrate animals, recombinant DNA, infectious agents, and/or biologically-derived toxins must obtain the appropriate approval(s) before funding can be awarded.

General Eligibility: All full-time faculty are encouraged to apply. Only one proposal submission per faculty member is permitted.

Terms of Award: Budgets must be consistent with the scope of the proposed project. Applicants must commit to submitting an external funding proposal for the project within 18 months of the award. Annual reports are required detailing the project’s progress and listing proposal submitted and funding received. Notice of Awards will go out September 2008 and may commence October 1, 2008.

Review Process: An interdisciplinary panel of faculty scholars will review proposals and make recommendations to the Vice President for Research who will make the final decision.
Application Instructions: Because proposals are evaluated by an interdisciplinary peer review panel, they should be written to be understood by faculty who are not experts in the applicant’s field. Applicants should limit their use of jargon and acronyms. Applications should address the review and award criteria described at the end of this program announcement.

The proposal must be prepared using a12 point font with a minimum of one (1) inch margins on all sides. Each copy of the proposal should be on standard 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper with all pages numbered and abide by the page limits noted below.

All material submitted for review must be contained in a single package. The relevant signatures MUST appear on the proposal cover page.

The original and 8 copies should be delivered to the Office of Sponsored Programs (either 231 Rowell or 340 Waterman) by 4:30 p.m. on the deadline date. In addition, the proposal as a single document (in either Word or pdf format) should be submitted by email to Ruth Farrell at rfarrell@uvm.edu. The cover page included in the electronic document does not need to contain signatures. Late proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances.

Complete Proposals will contain the following:

1. **Cover page** with signatures of the principal investigator, department chair(s) and dean(s).

2. **Project description:** The project description should be no more than five (5) pages (single-spaced) in length and should address:
   (i) A description of the project’s conceptual framework addressing the level of innovation compared to existing paradigms and approaches and the potential for making an original contribution to the field.
   (ii) The methodology to be used and activities to be undertaken with a timeline and roles and responsibilities if project participants.
   (iii) Qualifications of the proposed investigators.
   (iv) Amount requested with a description of how funds will be used with specific justification for any faculty release time.

3. **Vitae:** Vitae (with a 3 page limit) of the principal investigator and any co-investigators. Information to be included: education (including degrees and dates awarded, period of any training), professional employment (listing dates and titles), full details of his/her pertinent publications (distinguishing between peer reviewed publications, proceedings, abstracts and other presentation), scholarly products and/or artistic production.

4. **Other Support:** (no page limit) A description of other support (internal and external) for the applicant’s research that has been received during the last five years; include other support that is pending.

Review and Award Criteria: A faculty peer review committee appointed by the Vice President for Research will review all proposals using the following criteria.
1. Novelty – The extent to which the project employs novel concepts, approaches or methodologies and challenges existing paradigms

2. Significance – The extent to which the project will make an original and important contribution to the field of inquiry it addresses.

3. Project development strategy – The extent to which the methodologies and activities are appropriate and sound.

**Information:** Further information about the Innovation Research Grant Program described in this announcement may be obtained by contacting:

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Associate Vice President for Research Administration

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COVER PAGE
University of Vermont
Office of the Vice President for Research

Proposal Initiation Fund Application

Title of Project:

 Proposed Sponsor/Program: Deadline

Principal Investigator:

Co-Investigators:

Departments:

Principal Investigator Telephone Ext: e-mail:

Amount Requested: $

Is there a commitment of additional funds from the dean or department? No Yes

If yes, indicate amount: $

Will any funds be used for release time? No Yes

If Yes: Name % Effort From to

Are human subjects involved? No Yes IRB# or Status

Are vertebrate animals involved? No Yes IACUC# or Status

Are infectious agents, recombinant DNA, or toxins involved? No Yes IBC# or Status

Signature of Principal Investigator: _____________________________ Date:

Signature of Department Chairperson: ___________________________ Date:

Signature of Dean: ____________________________________________ Date:

Innovation Research Grant Fund
Purpose: The goal of this program is to provide funds for essential research equipment that will allow researchers to be more competitive in securing funding from external sponsors. Priority will be given to proposals for research equipment that will benefit more than a single research group. Proposals from Core Facilities are encouraged.

Amount and Time Frame of Award: Proposals are requested for research equipment costing no more than $50,000 with funds to be expended between xxxx 2008 andxxxx, 2009. Proposals may be coupled with commitments from college deans to cover costs beyond $50,000. Awards will be announced in May 2008. It is anticipated that up to eight awards will be made averaging $25,000.

Compliance: Recipients must adhere to all universities research policies, including those related to potential conflicts of interest. Proposals that use human subjects, vertebrate animals, recombinant DNA, infectious agents, and/or biologically-derived toxins must obtain the appropriate approval(s) before funding can be awarded.

General Eligibility: The Vice President for Research encourages the submission of proposals from all full-time faculty that depend on research equipment for accomplishing their research and from Core Facility managers for equipment that is used for faculty research. Equipment should be used in the service of more than one faculty member.

Review Process: An interdisciplinary panel of faculty scholars will review proposals and make recommendations to the Vice President for Research who will make the final decision.
**Application Instructions**: Because proposals are evaluated by an interdisciplinary peer review panel, they should be written to be understood by faculty who are not experts in the applicant’s field. Applicants should limit their use of jargon and acronyms whenever possible. *Applications should address the review and award criteria described at the end of this program announcement.*

All material submitted for review must be contained in a single package. The relevant signatures MUST appear on the proposal cover page.

The proposal must be prepared using a 12 point font with a minimum of one (1) inch margins on all sides. Each copy of the proposal should be on standard 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper with all pages numbered and abide by the page limits noted below.

The original and 8 copies should be delivered to the Office of Sponsored Programs (either 231 Rowell or 340 Waterman) by 4:30 p.m. on the deadline date. In addition, the proposal as a single document (in either Word or pdf format) should be submitted by email to Ruth Farrell at rfarrell@uvm.edu. The cover page included in the electronic document does not need to contain signatures. Late proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances.

Complete Proposals will contain the following:

1. **Cover page** with signatures of the principal investigator or core facility director, department chair and dean.
2. **Research equipment description**: The description of the research instrumentation should be no more than five (5) pages (single-spaced) in length and should address:
   (i) The research program(s) that will benefit from this research equipment. This should include a minimum of one paragraph for each investigator’s research program or, for Core Facilities, a description of how this equipment will enhance the facility’s services and the types and volume of users projected.
   (ii) How the equipment will be used in the research program(s) of the applicant(s). Clearly indicate how this will enhance the quality of the data and the competitiveness of the applicants, or, for Core facilities, how this equipment will improve or maintain the quality of data/services the facility provides to researchers.
   (iii) The potential for outside funding indicating the sponsoring agencies, program announcements or request for proposals, and appropriate deadlines.
   (iv) A justification for the need of the equipment. Identify equivalent equipment on campus and address why this is not adequate or available.
   (v) Amount Requested, include a quotation or other documentation from the vendor that indicates the price of the requested research instrumentation. (Not included in the page limits.)
3. **Vitae**: For research team applications, include the vitae (with a 3 page limit) of the principal investigator and co-investigators who will benefit from the equipment. Information to be included: education, professional employment (listing dates and titles), full details of his/her pertinent publications (distinguishing between peer reviewed
publications, proceedings, abstracts and other presentation), scholarly products and/or artistic productions. For applications from Core facilities, please include user statistics.

4. **Other Support:** (no page limit) A description of other support (internal and external) for the applicant’s research that has been received during the last five years; include other support that is pending. (Not applicable for Core facility applications)

**Review and Award Criteria:** A faculty peer review committee appointed by the Vice President for Research will review all proposals using the following criteria.

1. Qualifications of faculty member(s) submitting the proposal or who will benefit from the shared equipment, their record of publications and productivity.
2. Quality of the research program in which the equipment will be used. Have the investigator(s) clearly indicated how the research would benefit from this new research instrumentation?
3. The likelihood that obtaining this equipment will result in external funding.
4. Justification of the need for this equipment to support the proposed research or facility.
5. Number of research groups that will benefit from this research equipment.

**Information:** Further information about the Research Equipment Grant Program described in this announcement may be obtained by contacting:

Ruth Farrell, Associate Vice President for Research Administration

[Ruth.Farrell@uvm.edu](mailto:Ruth.Farrell@uvm.edu), phone 656-3360
Title of Project/Equipment Requested:

Principal Investigator:

Co-Investigators:

Departments:

Principal Investigator Telephone Ext: e-mail:

Amount Requested: $

Does the equipment purchase include a commitment of additional funds from the dean or department? No [ ] Yes [ ]

If yes, indicate amount: $

Are human subjects involved? No [ ] Yes [ ] IRB# or Status

Are vertebrate animals involved? No [ ] Yes [ ] IACUC# or Status

Are infectious agents, recombinant DNA, or toxins involved? No [ ] Yes [ ] IBC# or Status

Signature of Principal Investigator: ___________________________ Date:

Signature of Department Chairperson: ___________________________ Date:

Signature of Dean: ___________________________ Date:
Purpose: This program provides support for creative and scholarly endeavors. We invite proposals for research and artistic activities demonstrating or leading to creative and academic work and professional recognition.

Priority will be given to support faculty work of outstanding promise and excellence that does not have access to necessary funding from the applicant’s department, school, or college and where limited or no funds are available from external funding agencies.

Amount and Time Frame of Awards: The available research support will be for awards of $500 to $10,000. Funding will start on October 1, 2008 and should be expended prior to June 30, 2010.

General Eligibility: All full-time faculty are encouraged to apply. Only one proposal submission per faculty member is permitted.

Compliance: Recipients must adhere to all universities research policies, including those related to potential conflicts of interest. Proposals that use human subjects, vertebrate animals, recombinant DNA, infectious agents, and/or biologically-derived toxins must obtain the appropriate approval(s) before funding can be awarded.

Terms of Award: Applications may include, for example, requests to fund portions of fully developed projects, requests for travel, materials, or smaller projects that may lead eventually to the production of a major work, monograph, or artistic project. The budget should list all projected expenditures, for example, travel, equipment, materials, and software. Awardees will be required to provide a written final report.

Review Process: An interdisciplinary panel of faculty scholars will review proposals and make recommendations to the Vice President for Research who will make the final decision.
Application Instructions: Because proposals are evaluated by an interdisciplinary peer review panel, they should be written to be understood by faculty who are not experts in the applicant’s field. Applicants should limit their use of jargon and acronyms whenever possible. **Applications should address the review and award criteria described at the end of this program announcement.**

The proposal must be prepared using a 12 point font with a minimum of one (1) inch margins on all sides. Each copy of the proposal should be on standard 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper with all pages numbered and abide by the page limits noted below.

All material submitted for review must be contained in a single package. The relevant signatures MUST appear on the proposal cover page.

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Complete Proposals will contain the following:

1. **Cover page** with signatures of the principal investigator, department chair and dean.

2. **Project description:** The project description should be no more than five (5) pages (single-spaced) in length and should address:
   - (i) A description of the project and the significance of the project in career advancement.
   - (ii) The activities to be undertaken with the Career Enhancement funds and how these activities lead to creative and academic excellence.
   - (iii) Amount requested with a description of how funds will be used with specific justification for any faculty release time.
   - (iv) Qualifications of the faculty.

3. **Vitae:** Vitae (with a 3 page limit) of the scholar/principal investigator and any co-investigators. Information to be included: education (including degrees and dates awarded, period of any training), professional employment (listing dates and titles), full details of his/her pertinent publications (distinguishing between peer reviewed publications, proceedings, abstracts and other presentation), scholarly products and/or artistic production.

4. **Other Support:** (no page limit) A description of other support (internal and external) for the applicant’s research that has been received during the last five years; include other support that is pending.
**Review and Award Criteria:** A faculty peer review committee appointed by the Vice President for Research will review all proposals using the following criteria.

1. **Significance** – The extent to which the proposal will make an original and important contribution to the field of inquiry it addresses.

2. **Project impact** – The extent to which the goals and objectives are appropriate and the set of activities will yield a significant impact in the applicant’s academic area.

3. **Value for Career Enhancement** – The extent to which this project has intrinsic merit and potential to advance recognition and advance the University’s mission.

**Information:** Further information about the Career Enhancement Grant Program described in this announcement may be obtained by contacting:

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University of Vermont
Office of the Vice President for Research

Research Equipment Grant Application

Title of Project/Equipment Requested:

Principal Investigator:

Co-Investigators:

Departments:

Principal Investigator Telephone Ext: e-mail:

Amount Requested: $

Does the equipment purchase include a commitment of additional funds from the dean or department? No☐ Yes☐

If yes, indicate amount: $

Are human subjects involved? No ☐ Yes ☐ IRB# or Status

Are vertebrate animals involved? No ☐ Yes ☐ IACUC# or Status

Are infectious agents, recombinant DNA, or toxins involved? No ☐ Yes ☐ IBC# or Status

Signature of Principal Investigator: ________________________________ Date: __________________________

Signature of Department Chairperson: ______________________________ Date: __________________________

Signature of Dean: ______________________________ Date: __________________________

Career Enhancement Grants