Dear Colleagues,

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has an upcoming posted Application Due Date for the Postbaccalaureate Research Education Program (PREP) (R25), a limited competition (see description at https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-17-051.html) with a deadline date of January 24, 2019. The University may submit one application.

This FOA will support creative educational activities with a primary focus on Research Experiences and Courses for Skills Development. Applications are encouraged from research-intensive institutions that propose to equip recent baccalaureate science graduates from diverse backgrounds underrepresented in biomedical sciences with the necessary knowledge and skills to pursue Ph.D. degrees in these fields. The program provides support for extensive research experiences and well-designed courses for skills development aimed at preparing individuals from underrepresented backgrounds to complete doctoral degrees. The overarching goal of the program is to enhance the pool of students from underrepresented groups who successfully complete Ph.D. biomedical degrees.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for this competition, upload a letter of interest (LOI) into UVM’s InfoReady Portal for Institutional Competitions at https://uvm.infoready4.com/ The LOI should be no longer than 4 pages (excluding references) and directed to Dr. Richard Galbraith. Please include a brief description of the proposed project and a statement about why you deem the proposal to be competitive for this competition. LOIs will be evaluated on the significance, feasibility, alignment with the program goals, strength of the participating faculty team; and the plan to recruit targeted students. The deadline for submitting letters of interest through the InfoReady Portal described below is November 6, 2018 at 4:30 pm.