

The following internal programs will be offered on a competitive basis during fiscal year 2008-2009. The new RFPs and forms will be available on the ORC website for all programs at least 60 days in advance of their due date.

Each program is briefly described inside. Please review each RFP in its entirety before applying. If you have any questions, please contact the ORC Proposal Staff.

Please remember that all funding levels and dates of notification and awards listed in the RFP are estimates and subject to change based on budget and time constraints.

**Please refer to the website for up-to-date information on due dates.*

PROGRAMS

UCF-UF Joint Space Research Initiative

Due Date: Ongoing

This internal program supports a joint effort between the University of Central Florida (UCF) and the University of Florida (UF). Proposals will be accepted in the general area of space related research.

The objectives of this initiative include collaboration between UCF and UF in space related research, support in acquiring funded research projects from NASA and other federal sources, support in growing Florida's space industry, and assist Kennedy Space Center (KSC) in developing its Space-port Technology Center vision.

Projects that propose to use these funds as matching support to other agencies will receive the highest priority for selection under this program. All projects must be joint efforts involving both UCF and UF researchers.

Proposals will be screened and prioritized by external reviewers along with UCF and UF staff. The university presidents will make final decisions.

UCF Matching Funds for Federal Agencies (MFFA)

Due Date: Ongoing

The goal of this program is to assist faculty in obtaining federal funds to support their research and scholarly activities.

The intent of this matching program is to provide matching support to enhance the competitiveness of proposals submitted to Federal agencies that will undergo a competitive review and selection process.

The purpose of this grant program is to initiate new faculty research activities, which will strengthen faculty credentials and make them more competitive for external funding appropriate to their discipline. Please check with the ORC website for eligibility and policy.

In-House Research Grants

Due Date: Ongoing.

The purpose of this grant program is to initiate new faculty research activities, which will strengthen faculty credentials and make them more competitive for external funding appropriate to their discipline.

All proposals must clearly address this objective. Proposals that are related to the

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objective. Proposals that are related to the applicant's past research must show how the proposed research differs from, and clearly enhances, the faculty member's research agenda. Other worthwhile objectives such as curriculum development, student research projects, cataloging, or compiling of information, self-development through courses or workshops and other in-service projects, or studies that only gather descriptive information, though highly meritorious, are not eligible for funding.

Proposals that address only the preparation or publication of reports or manuscripts based on prior research (e.g., a dissertation) are not eligible.

Please note senior faculty who partner with junior faculty are eligible. Please check the RFP for eligibility requirements.

Each College Ranking Committee will review all in-house research proposals internally, select ten proposals to be forwarded for funding considerations, and provide a ranking list at the time the proposals are forwarded to ORC.

Undergraduate Research Initiative (URI)

Due Date: Ongoing

The Undergraduate Research Initiative is designed to increase the involvement of undergraduate students in research and encourage them to pursue graduate-level research and study. The university awards up to \$3,000 per undergraduate student per year. University researchers must provide dollar-for-dollar matching support for undergraduate research student wages. These funds can be used to provide match for new proposals or they can supplement existing contract and grant research.

Presidential Initiative Fund Major Equipment

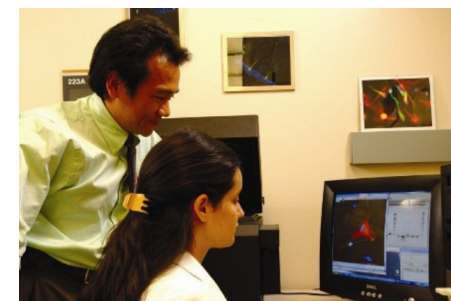
Due Date: Ongoing

This program is designed for the purchase or upgrade of major equipment to enhance UCF's research capacity. Proposals should demonstrate how the equipment would advance UCF's Goals to:

- Achieve international prominence in key programs of graduate study and research
- Be America's leading partnership university.

The intent of this program is to provide matching cash funding, that when combined with other cash funding, will enable the purchase of major research equipment. A maximum of 1:1 cash match can be requested under this program. Vendor discounts or other in kind match will not be counted towards the maximum match available under this program. Proposals will be considered using the following prioritization:

- Matching money to major federal research equipment initiatives, such as the DURIP or CAREER program.
- Matching money for startup packages for new faculty for laboratory equipment.
- Matching money to secure major equipment (equipment costing \$50,000 plus).



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Florida High-Tech Corridor (FHTC) Industry Matching Research Programs

There are two specific programs to this joint industry project:

1. FHTC Open Solicitation
2. FHTC SBIR/STTR Phase II Fast Track program

FHTC Open Program

Due Date: Ongoing

Proposals are sought for partnership projects between University of Central Florida (UCF) faculty and regional high technology industries along the Florida High Tech Corridor (FHTC). The primary goal of the FHTC is to attract, grow, and retain high technology companies in the Florida High Tech Corridor area. This program is specifically designed to expand the research activities of an FHTC industry partner by providing matching funds to leverage research collaborations between Industry and UCF.

FHTC SBIR/STTR Phase II Fast Track Program

Due Date: Ongoing

This program is specifically designed to expand the research activities of an FHTC industry partner by providing external investment funds to small companies to leverage research collaborations between Industry and UCF to assist in obtaining a Phase II SBIR/STTR award. Please review the ORC website for an overview of the SBIR/STTR programs.

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Overview of Upcoming ORC INTERNAL PROGRAMS

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