

Stony Brook University Seed Grants for Survey Research (SGSR)

Application Deadlines: June 30, 2009

Announcement of Awards: mid July, 2009 for an immediate start date.

Program Goal: To help faculty better position themselves to apply for and receive extramural funding for research designed to collect original survey research data. Recipients of SGSR awards are expected to use the data collected as part of the seed grant program to actively submit proposals to extramural sponsors for funding of survey data collection projects. The quality of the applicant's SGSR proposal and the likelihood it will culminate in support by an extramural sponsor for a survey data collection project are the primary criteria used to allocate SGSR awards. Secondary considerations include the applicant's relevant scholarly productivity and extramural funding record. Research proposals are encouraged in all areas that involve the collection of survey data from human respondents.

Eligibility: Tenured or Tenure-Track faculty members including: Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Full Professors. In addition, Assistant, Associate or Full Research Professors may apply. Proposals can be a collaborative effort among several faculty members.

Award Amount: Two awards of up to \$10,000 each will be allocated initially in 2009. Another 2 awards may be granted on a rolling basis as funds are made available. Up to \$2,000 of this budget can go towards an RA or other research-related expenses; the remainder is devoted to the cost of data collection.

Proposal: Proposals should include a brief intellectual rationale for the project, sample survey questions, a data analysis plan, and a discussion of how pilot survey data will improve the applicant's chances of receiving future extramural funding.

A CORIHS application for Approval for Research Involving Human Subjects must be submitted prior to the SGSR application deadline. The CORIHS application form can be downloaded at <http://www.stonybrook.edu/research/humans/hsforms.html>. Additional information about the completion of the CORIHS application can be downloaded at <http://www.stonybrook.edu/research/HSG/index.html>. Funds will not be released until the CORIHS application has been approved.

A review panel of faculty will be selected based on the nature of submitted proposals. The review panel members will be drawn from the Center for Survey Research plus possible faculty from the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, School of Health Technology and Management, Medicine, Nursing, Social Welfare, and the Marine Sciences Research Center will evaluate all proposals.

Budget and Project Scope: Up to \$2,000 of the budget can be allocated to the cost of an RA or other research-related expenses; the rest will be devoted to the costs associated with the collection of broad-based population telephone survey data. All data will be collected by the Stony Brook University Center for Survey Research and staff members will consult with all successful applicants on the final survey questions

and design. In order to assess the proposal, the applicant must indicate the following details:

- Whether the survey data will be collected by phone or internet
- The geographic region surveyed (e.g., nation, state, specific locale)
- The need for a specific subpopulation within a geographic area (e.g., parents, low income household, etc)
- Number and type of questions to be included
- Size

Grants of up to \$10,000 will be awarded to individuals wishing to collect telephone survey data. Prior to submission of proposal, applicants are strongly advised to discuss survey scope and costs with Soraya Zabihi at the Center for Survey Research, 631-632-4006. It is possible to include survey experiments in either the telephone or web surveys.

Proposal format:

- *Cover Sheet:* The names, addresses, phone #, and e-mail addresses of all PIs. The cover sheet should also include an Abstract of 200 words
- *Proposal:* a maximum of 3 single-spaced typewritten pages, in 12-point Arial type
- *Budget:* A brief justification for costs other than those related to the collection of survey data.
- *Vita:* Include CV's for all faculty members involved in the proposal.

Proposal Submission: Please send the complete proposal via email to Carol.Davies@sunysb.edu.

Reporting:

Faculty funded under this program are expected to file a final report with the Vice President for Research, Office of Sponsored Programs by June 1, 2010. The report should include a brief account of the data collected under the SGSR, any intent to publish or exhibit these results, and information about past, current or future efforts to apply for extramural funding using data collected as part of the SGSR.

All articles and paper published using data collected under the SGSR should acknowledge the support for the Stony Brook University Office of the Vice-President for Research. If you have questions or concerns, please call 632-4006.