

Instructionally Related Activities Funds Request Spring 2017

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IRA Funds Request for CSU Student Research

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Instructionally Related Activities Funds Request Summary

Project Sponsor	Sean Kelly
Activity Title	CSU Student Research
Activity/Event Date	Fall-Spring, 2016-2017
Date Funding Needed By	January 1, 2016
Previously Funded?	Yes
Semester/Year	Spring 2016
Proposal #	—
Report submitted for previously Funded Activity?	Yes
Report submitted for previously Funded Activity	IRAReportSRSC2016.docx
Additional Report #1	—
Additional Report #2	—
Additional Report #3	—
Additional Proposers	Sean Kelly on behalf of SRAC
Academic Program(s) / Center Name(s)	Student Research Advisory Committee (formerly Student Research Steering Council)
Estimated total Course Fee revenue	0
Amount Requested from IRA	50000
Estimated Number of Students Participating	200-300
Conditions and Considerations	Artist/Performer/Speaker Fees & Honoraria, Large Event, Field Trip, Involves Human Subject Data Collection for Public Dissemination -Requires IRB Approval, IT Requirements, International Travel, Risk Management Consultation, Space/Facilities Services Requirements
Brief Activity Description	<p>Since AY 2008 the Student Research Steering Council (SRSC) has worked with faculty to support students' participation in academic conferences. For AY15-16, the SRSC was allotted \$10,000 in Lottery monies to fund student travel to research conferences, up to \$700 per student. This year, the SRSC is replaced by the Student Research Advisory Committee, which now takes on the responsibility of locating funds for this mission-driven, student-centered activity.</p> <p>The benefits to students of attending conferences are multiple. Students</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Gain experience presenting their work. (b) Network with members of their professional communities. (c) Learn from peers who are conducting similar research. (d) Increase awareness of professional opportunities available in their fields. <p>These experiences increase the competitiveness of our students at the next stage of their careers and give students valuable information for determining what that next step should be.</p> <p>Over 100 CI students attended the one-day Southern California Conference on Undergraduate Research (SCCUR) at Harvey Mudd College. SRSC Student Travel Funds paid registration fees for these 100+ students and covered bus transportation costs for three buses, the total being about \$9,000.00. The CI students presented over 60 posters (many with multiple presenters) and gave 17 oral presentations, in a variety of disciplines. Dozens of others are presenting at conferences in the Fall and Spring using IRA funding.</p> <p>Funding from IRA also supports travel related to the CSU Student Research Competition, and other student research-related travel.</p>
Learning Outcomes and Relation to IRA to Course Offerings	<p>The SRSC received requests totaling more than \$50,000 for CI students to present their research at academic conferences between October 2015 and June 2016. Requests were made on behalf of students majoring in Anthropology, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, English, Liberal Studies, Mathematics (undergraduate and MS), Political Science, and Psychology. Our activities benefit all students, programs, and many courses on campus.</p> <p>The University specifies that, "CSUCI graduates will possess an education of sufficient breadth and depth to appreciate and interpret the natural, social and aesthetic worlds and to address the highly complex issues facing societies. Graduates will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and describe the modern world and issues facing societies from multiple perspectives including those within and across disciplines, cultures and nations (when appropriate). • Analyze issues, and develop and convey to others solutions to problems using the methodologies, tools and techniques of an academic discipline. <p>Student Research is a high impact teaching tool that is directly related to and supportive of those stated Learning Outcomes.</p>
Description of Assessment	Money and students. Our success and assessment of that success are predicated on how much money we spend to send what number of students to conferences and research opportunities. Each dollar awarded translates directly to travel for student research, and that is the indication of our

Process	success. No funds are used to support anything other than conference-related travel for students. Support for faculty travel WITH students is funded only when 1) there is no alternative funding and 2) faculty attendance is deemed necessary or integral to the student experience.
Activity Budget	SRACIRAbudget2016.xlsx
CIA Budget	—
CIA Proposal	—
Course Syllabus	—
CIA Certification	—
Other Sources of Funding	As of this writing, we do not have any guaranteed source of funding for our activities. We lobby the Provost's Office for permanent support for our activities and we have a proposal pending for Lottery Funds. It is important to emphasize that we do not consider IRA to be our only source of funding for student research activities. Last year IRA funds accounted for about a third of our resources to support students. We hope, one day, that our mission-centered, student-centered activities will be fully funded through state funds and we will not have to return to the IRA Committee for generous funding. As a Committee we are committed to that vision.
Target Audience/Student Marketing	Student Research is in many ways a conversation between a student and a faculty member. Thus, most Student Research Travel opportunities are the result of this conversation and/or collaboration between students and faculty. Although some calls for research competitions are open to the full student body, most are funneled through faculty. Which means that faculty are responsible for marketing both student research opportunities as well as travel associated with this research.
Bring Benefit to Campus	Students regularly present their research on campus. One example is the SAGE Forum. Our support for student travel stipulates that students who receive funding will present at SAGE.
Sustainability	Our travel policies (see above) require that student travel minimizes the environmental impact of student travel through carpooling, ride sharing, and the use of buses.
Program Chair/Director	sean.kelly
Dean	james.meriwether
Acknowledgement	I acknowledge that I have reviewed and accepted the Conditions and Considerations herein. Please check off boxes as appropriate.

Program Chair/Director Review

Recommendation	I recommend approval of the IRA Funds Request described on this page
Name	Sean Kelly
Date/Time	9/29/2016 8:50:16 AM
Validation	myCI-signin-ZM-3391
Comments	Thank you for your prior support of our activities.

Dean Review

Recommendation	I recommend approval of the IRA Funds Request described on this page
Name	James Meriwether
Date/Time	9/30/2016 4:20:14 PM
Validation	myCI-signin-G0-6604
Comments	I strongly support student research, it does great things for our students, is instructionally related, and agree that it needs financial support. At the same time, the carefully phrased "as of this writing, we do not have any guaranteed source of funding" also indicates that it seems worth the committee's time to find out if other sources of funding have come through in order to sort out the level of possible funding, be that more/less than the asked for amount.

IRA Committee Decision

Decision	—
Comments	—

Current Tasks

Task	Time Assigned	Assigned To
IRA Committee Decision	9/30/2016 4:20:14 PM	David Daniels

Completed Tasks

Task	Time Assigned	Time Completed	Completed By
Review from james.meriwether, Dean	9/29/2016 8:50:16 AM	9/30/2016 4:20:14 PM	James Meriwether
Review from sean.kelly, Program Chair/Director	9/29/2016 8:48:26 AM	9/29/2016 8:50:16 AM	Sean Kelly
Fill out Request	9/27/2016 1:52:28 PM	9/29/2016 8:48:26 AM	Sean Kelly

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