VCU Internal Funding Opportunities

Web: http://www.research.vcu.edu/research_development  last updated 17-Sep-15

**Quest Innovation Fund**
Funds innovative pilot initiatives at VCU that help advance the “Quest for Distinction.” Faculty, staff, students, and community partners with co-sponsors from within the university are eligible to apply. Requests of $50,000 or less will be given priority.
http://www.future.vcu.edu/fund/index.html

**Presidential Research Quest Fund**
Supports new, emerging, or continuing research by all VCU faculty. Where possible, the proposed work should advance interdisciplinary research and inter-campus collaboration. The maximum total award is $50,000 and requires that the PI’s department or college provide at least 40% cost share.
http://www.research.vcu.edu/vpr/research_fund/index.htm

**Quest Global Impact Awards**
Funds proposals from academic units to develop new and innovative programming in support of VCU’s three global priorities: improve recruitment and retention of international students and scholars; increase global engagement of VCU students and faculty; and expand VCU’s global footprint through research, teaching and service. Number and amount of awards vary.
http://global.vcu.edu/strategies/funding/qgia/

**Alzheimer’s & Related Diseases Research Award Fund**
Provides seed money to researchers in Virginia to stimulate innovative research into biomedical and psychosocial aspects of dementia, including cell biology, caregiving, and animal modeling. Awards are limited to $45,000.
http://www.sahp.vcu.edu/vcoa/program/alzheimers.html

**American Cancer Society Institutional Research Grants**
Funds small research grants of up to $30,000 for junior faculty to conduct one year of basic, pre-clinical, clinical and cancer-control research studies. Applicants should not have received a nationally competitive research grant.
http://www.massey.vcu.edu/research/funding/acs-institutional-research-grants/

**CCTR Endowment Fund**
Supports meritorious pilot and feasibility clinical and translational research, up to $50,000. All VCU faculty are eligible, and applications including investigators from multiple disciplines are encouraged. Proposals due Nov 1, Feb 1, May 1 and Aug 1.
http://www.cctr.vcu.edu/resources/funding.html

**Faculty Learning Communities**
A Faculty Learning Community (FLC) is an interdisciplinary group of faculty who engage in active, collaborative exploration around a common learning issue. ALT Lab supports networks of scholars and practitioners with overlapping interests who, at the end of the year, will produce a learning resource.
http://altlab.vcu.edu/showcase/flc/

**Geriatric Training & Education Initiative**
Funds workforce training and education initiatives that can be completed within the fiscal year. Applications for training projects, conferences, or similar educational programs are appropriate. Awards from $1,000 to $25,000.

**Harris-Manchester College Oxford Summer Research Institute**
Each year the Global Education Office, in collaboration with the Office of Research and Innovation, solicits applications from VCU faculty for participation in Oxford’s Harris Manchester College Summer Research Institute to enhance a research project through a week of focused study.
http://www.global.vcu.edu/strategies/facultydevelopment/HarrisManchester/

**Humanities Research Grants**
Foster excellence in research and creative scholarship by supporting costs such as travel to archives, and expenses related to collection of data such as photocopying fees. $1,000 awards may be used during the summer months.
http://humanitiescenter.vcu.edu/humanities-research-center-grants/

**KL2 Program**
Provides salary support and $25,000 in start-up funds for faculty-level clinical and translational scientists near the beginning of their investigative careers. KL2 scholars are initially appointed for two years as they work toward receiving their own independent mentored career development award.
http://www.cctr.vcu.edu/education/kl2/

**Service Learning & Community Engagement Grants**
Various mechanisms support efforts to promote service learning, community engagement, and community engaged research. Awards range from $1,000 to $20,000.
http://www.community.vcu.edu/resources-toolkit/funding/

**Unit Internal Grants**
Some Schools/Departments have their own internal funding to support the scholarly work of faculty