

MEMORANDUM

TO: All UNT Faculty
FROM: Office for Faculty Success
RE: Call for Proposals - Mentoring Grants
DATE: April 5, 2022

The Office for Faculty Success is pleased to announce the call for proposals for Mentoring Grants designed to provide support for full-time faculty members. Funding for the **2022-23** academic year is available for both micro and team grants across all full-time faculty ranks. The goal of the mentoring initiative is to help faculty in four critical areas: gaining institutional knowledge, supporting teaching and research efforts, developing professional networks, and promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion.

The **Micro Grant Mentoring Program** provides support of up to \$1,500 for full-time faculty across all ranks. These grants focus on individual professional growth and opportunity by creating a partnership for assistance. Examples of funding could include travel expense for co-presenting with a mentor at a professional conference; coaching services for skills such as research, career advancement, teaching development; visiting the lab of a mentor from another institution; improving teaching effectiveness, or bringing a mentor from another institution to campus for a presentation or workshop. Networks of up to three individuals are allowed (i.e., faculty member plus on-campus or off-campus mentor partners). All full-time faculty are eligible to apply for the **Micro Grant Program**.

The **Team Grant Mentoring Program** provides funding up to \$5,000 for the purpose of supporting full-time faculty across all ranks. These grants are based at the departmental, school/college, interdisciplinary, or inter-institutional levels. Examples of funding could include developing a departmental mentoring program based on similar research interests; creating a mentoring roundtable of pre-tenured faculty across three colleges; or building a mentoring network across several institutions. Team Grants should support networks comprised of four or more faculty members. Although grants are awarded for one-year periods, projects that demonstrate and document extraordinary success or potential for success may receive a second year of funding at the review committee's discretion. All full-time faculty members are eligible to apply for the **Team Grant Program**.

Selection Process:

A review committee comprised of faculty and administrators across various career stages will review the proposals and make a recommendation to the Vice Provost of Faculty Success. Proposals will be evaluated on how the plan addresses the four focus areas, provides a realistic plan of action and reasonable budget, and engages faculty in ways that promote excellence in their teaching and research.

Submission Process:

Application materials for the grants are due by or before **May 20, 2022**. The application packet (i.e., application form, narrative, and vita of the primary contact) should be submitted electronically in a single PDF file to Faculty Success (faculty.success@unt.edu) as outlined on the Micro Grant and Team Grant Application Forms.

For more information about mentoring at UNT and proposal guidelines, please visit our website at <https://vpaa.unt.edu/mentoring-grant-program> or email Claudia Cooper at claudia.cooper@unt.edu