

East Tennessee State University
College of Nursing, Center for Nursing Research
2008-2009 Internal Research Funding Opportunity

The College of Nursing, through the Center for Nursing Research (CNR), supports the development of faculty research within the College. For 2008-09, up to four competitive grants up to \$1,500 each will be awarded. The number of awards each year is contingent upon the availability of funds returned to the College through indirect cost recovery. Each request will be considered as it is submitted. Projects should be for a one-year time frame; a no-cost extension for one year may be requested with valid rationale.

Purpose:

The purpose of the CNR grant award program is to fund pilot research projects or projects that supplement other university or external funds. The funded projects are expected to yield external funding proposals, scholarly presentation and publication. The awards may be used for supplies, literature searches, computer time, printing, copying, travel related to data collection, limited personnel, or other approved expenditures in the implementation of the research. Support for a faculty member's dissertation research, completed within the time frame of the grant period, is acceptable.

Eligible Faculty:

Any full time faculty member from the tenured, tenure track, or full time temporary ranks may apply for the research grant. Both new and experienced investigators are encouraged to apply.

Selection:

Proposals will be reviewed by a four-member ad hoc Research Review Committee and the Director, Center for Nursing Research (ex officio). The committee will be convened as proposals are received.

The criteria for selection are

1. appropriate design, methodology, and analysis
2. realistic, well-justified budget
3. consistent with the mission and goals of the College
4. description of site of data collection
5. project can be accomplished within established time frame
6. high potential for external funding after study completed
7. high potential for scholarly publication/presentation

Process:

Proposals may be submitted any time during the year. Proposals will be funded as they are approved until available funds are expended.

Advise your department chair of your intent to apply. The Proposal Signature Form must be signed by the applicant, chair and Director, Center for Nursing Research. Assurance of support from any data collection site or community partner group via email or letter should also be obtained.

Format for Submission:

Written materials to be submitted include:

1. Proposal (limited to three pages)
 - a. 200 word abstract
 - b. Statement of the problem
 - c. Significance of the project to the mission of the college, the profession, and the health of the population
 - d. Short selected literature review
 - e. Research question/s or hypotheses to be tested
 - f. Methodology
 - i. research design
 - ii. sample description
 - iii. measures
 - iv. data collection procedures
 - v. plan for analysis of data
 - g. Budget (travel, supplies, personnel)
 - h. Reference list (APA format)
2. Biographical Sketch
3. Proposal Signature Form
4. Assurance of support (if applicable)