

ASSESSMENT OF 2008 TWU INTERNAL RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATIONS

Form A: Research Project									
Applicant(s)	\$ Amount Requested	Originality (5)	Quality of research proposal (30)	Qualifications of applicant to carry out research (5)	Realistic costs & budgeting (5)	Plan for additional funding (5)	Curriculum Vitae (5)	Total Score (55)	\$ Amount Awarded
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Form B: Conference Travel									
Applicant(s)	\$ Amount Requested	Rationale (30)	Future Funding Plans (5)	Intended outcome (5)	Realistic costs & budgeting (5)	Involves students (5)	Curriculum Vitae (5)	Total Score (55)	\$ Amount Awarded
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Form C: Conference/Symposium									
Applicant(s)	\$ Amount Requested	Purpose and intended audiences (20)	Involves students (5)	Anticipated results (5)	Funding sources (5)	Budget plan (10)	Curriculum Vitae (5)	Total Score (55)	\$ Amount Awarded
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EXPLANATION

Form A: Research Projects

1. **Originality:** Is the research project original and/or innovative? (5)
2. **Quality of research proposal:** To what extent does the proposal answer the requirements outlined in the application?
 - a. Identifies the objectives, scholarly significance, anticipated product, and how the project relates to the applicant's previous and anticipated research. (5)
 - b. Describes the theoretical context of the study. (5)
 - c. Research proposal, including the method and research activities involved in the project. (5)
 - d. Anticipated outcome of the research. (Impact on knowledge base, stakeholders, teaching, etc.) (5)
 - e. Written for intelligent lay person. (Clearly understood by adjudicators, can be translated to general audience.) (5)
 - f. Involves a research partnership, trains students, and/or relates to the TWU strategic research plan. (5)
3. **Qualifications of applicant to carry out the research:** Based on the track record and training of the applicant(s), do they have the necessary qualifications to successfully carry out the proposed research project? (5)
4. **Realistic costs and budgeting:** Is it possible to carry out the proposed research with the funds requested? Are the costs significantly over or under estimated? Are the proposed categories or expenditures necessary/appropriate to complete the proposed project? (5)
5. **Plan for additional funding:** Does the applicant show how the research could be extended by external funding and indicate specific plans for external funding applications? Will the proposed project improve the applicants competitive position in external grant competitions? (5)
6. **Amount awarded:** Do you recommend awarding the amount requested? If not, be prepared to provide a justification for the amount you recommend.

Form B: Conference Travel

1. **Rationale:** Research description, originality, scholarly significance, theoretical context, methodology, clearly communicated, (30)
2. **Future funding plans:** Does the travel make a significant contribution to laying a foundation for external research funding? (5)
3. **Intended outcome:** How will the research results be disseminated? Will it result in a peer-reviewed or juried product? Will the research results be disseminated to multiple audiences? (5)
4. **Realistic costs and budgeting:** The budget is sufficient to realize the objectives of the travel. (5)
5. **Involves students:** Does the application provide for student participation as co-presenters, presenters, or research assistants? (5)

Form C: Conference/Symposium

1. **Purpose and intended audiences:** Theme, objectives, scholarly importance, significance for target audiences, clearly communicated (25)
2. **Involves students:** Will students be involved in conference planning and implementation? Will students be encouraged to present? (5)
3. **Anticipated results:** Demonstrably substantial results, e.g., research partnership, scholarly network strengthened, new ideas/hypotheses/innovation introduced, scholarly conversation influenced, research communicated to multiple audiences, publication in appropriate formats. (5)
4. **Funding sources:** Are external funding sources utilized? Has sufficient lead time been allowed to garner adequate funding to cover expenses after revenues? (5)
5. **Budget plan:** Does the budget cover necessary categories? Is it realistic? (10)

Curriculum Vitae

1. How many TWU internal grants has the applicant received in the past five years? Have the research projects resulted in publications and applications for external funding?
2. How important is the grant to the applicant's career development?