UNH Collaborative Research Excellence (CoRE) Initiative

Overview

Launched in 2017, the UNH Collaborative Research Excellence (CoRE) initiative furthers the university’s deep commitment to academic excellence and its distinguished research programs. Supported annually by the Office of the Senior Vice Provost for Research, Economic Engagement, and Outreach, CoRE promotes interdisciplinary collaboration to address issues facing our state, region, and world.

CoRE consists of five funding opportunities that collectively reinforce a broad culture of interdisciplinary exchange, collaboration, planning, team development and success, and support.

New for FY2024 is the availability of additional dollars to invest in projects led, co-led, or significantly involving UNH Extension faculty or staff.

Briefly:

- **Interdisciplinary Working Groups** support groups of faculty and researchers to convene around research topic areas to build awareness and relationships across disciplines, allow for cross-fertilization of ideas with internal and external partners, identify and pursue collaborative research and funding opportunities, and address known or anticipated barriers to securing external funding.
  - Funding and Duration: Up to $15,000 per working group for projects lasting 1 year
  - Expected Number of Awards: 5-10
  - FY2024 Funding Proposal Deadline: 5:00 P.M. on Friday, April 21, 2023

- **Pilot Research Partnerships** supports collaborative research projects with strong potential to garner future funding from external sources (including industrial support) and/or with outstanding commercial potential. Projects may be intra-institutional, multi-institutional, or public-private partnerships. For FY2024, up to half of the Pilot Research Partnership awards are expected to involve non-UNH partners.
  - Funding and Duration: Up to $30,000 per project, for projects lasting 1 year
  - Expected Number of Awards: 3-5
  - FY2024 Funding Proposal Deadline: 5:00 P.M. on Friday, April 21, 2023

- **Creating New Centers** supports the establishment of new, interdisciplinary Centers with research programs that have strong potential for significant future funding support from government agencies, corporations, industrial consortia, or foundations.
  - Funding and Duration: Up to $200,000 total for a period of two years
  - Must be matched 1:1 by non-OSVPREEO funds that represent the most appropriate departments, college(s), school, etc.
  - Expected Number of Awards: 1 new Center every 2 years
  - FY2024 Funding Proposal Deadline: 5:00 P.M. on Friday, April 21, 2023

- **Strengthening Existing Centers** better positions existing interdisciplinary research Centers for success.
  - Funding and Duration: Up to $50,000 total for projects lasting 1 year
  - Must be matched 1:1 by non-OSVPREEO funds that represent the most appropriate departments, college(s), school, etc.
  - Expected Number of Awards: 1 every 2 years
  - FY2024 Funding Proposal Deadline: 5:00 P.M. on Friday, April 21, 2023
Supporting Large, Complex Proposal Development provides dedicated funding and guidance to increase the competitiveness of UNH teams for major, interdisciplinary external grants. To be eligible, proposal development activities must: target a multi-year opportunity (or a combination of opportunities within a single thematic area) with an annual budget greater than or equal to $3,500,000; start at least 9-12 months prior to the expected due date of the targeted funding opportunity; and require a large, multi-investigator team.

- Funding and Duration: Up to $100,000 per project
- Must be matched by a minimum of 25% non-OSVPREEO funds
- Expected Number of Awards: 1-2 per year
- FY2024 Funding Proposal Deadline: 5:00 P.M. on Friday, April 21, 2023

Please refer to the individual funding opportunity descriptions for more details regarding the program requirements and application process. Descriptions of previously funded CoRE Projects can be viewed on the CoRE website.

To learn more and apply for FY2024 funding, visit: https://unh.infoready4.com

- UNH CoRE: Interdisciplinary Working Groups: https://unh.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1898604
- UNH CoRE: Pilot Research Partnerships: https://unh.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1898860
- UNH CoRE: Creating New Centers: https://unh.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1898862
- UNH CoRE: Strengthening Existing Centers: https://unh.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1898861
- UNH CoRE: Supporting Large and Complex Proposal Development: https://unh.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1898867

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