

Second Announcement

Call for Proposals for Summer Research Support for Faculty at Baccalaureate Colleges in the VGN

Beginning in Summer 2003

Due February 14, 2003

Please note that research in Genetics is NOT required to be eligible for these awards.

The Vermont Genetics Network (VGN) is supported by a three year, NIH Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network Grant. The VGN is a collaboration among the University of Vermont, Castleton State College, Johnson State College, Middlebury College, St. Michael's College and Norwich University to develop science infrastructure and also the careers and training of faculty and students in science. Information on how you can participate in this program is listed below. You may also visit our web site www.uvm.edu/~biology/vgn for more information about our activities.

Summer Research Support

Castleton State College, Johnson State College, Middlebury College, St. Michael's College and Norwich University faculty are encouraged to apply for the following.

- Summer research support beginning in summer 2003
- Application forms are on our web site and a check list is given below
- Application deadline is February 14, 2003
- You may request up to \$10,000 in summer research support
- There will be 10 summer research awards made for 2003
- The funds can be used for salary, supplies or small equipment, and use of the funds must be outlined and justified as part of the application
- We anticipate similar numbers of awards will be made in 2004

Eligibility Requirements

- Faculty members who are full-time tenure track at Castleton State College, Johnson State College, Middlebury College, St. Michael's College or Norwich University
- Disciplines include biology, psychology, and chemistry; also in mathematics, computer science, physics if the work ultimately informs biomedical science.

Application Review

- A committee of faculty members from the four year institutions will review the applications and make their recommendations to the VGN Steering Committee
- Notification of the outcomes of the applications should be available by February 28, 2003

Obligations That Will Come With Funding

- If awarded summer research support your attendance is expected at the 2nd Annual VGN Retreat on August 13, 2003.
 - You will be expected to provide a report at the end of the summer detailing your research progress, roles of undergraduates (if appropriate) and the impact of your research on undergraduate science education.
 - You will also be expected to submit a *research grant application to a federal agency within 12 months of the end of the summer research funding.*
 - All participants will be asked to be part of our mentoring activities for undergraduates and faculty across the state.
 - All funds must be expended by Sept. 29, 2003.
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Checklist for Faculty Applications for Summer Research Support

- Application cover page with 3 signatures (see web site)
- Budget (1 page) and Justification (1 page)
- Abstract (200 words)
- Research Project Description
 - ✓ Larger context of work done by the PI or others on the research topic (1 page) (work can be a new direction or continuation of ongoing research)
 - ✓ How work will directly or indirectly inform biomedical research if not in the areas of Biology, Chemistry or Psychology
 - ✓ Specific Aims (0.5 page)
 - ✓ Plans to address specific aims (3 pages)
 - ✓ Time line (0.5 page)
 - ✓ Literature Cited
- Curriculum Vitae (2 pages)
- Current and Pending Funding

Submission by 2 Alternatives

1) Mail or Deliver to:

Vermont Genetics Network
University of Vermont
120A Marsh Life Science Bldg.
Burlington, VT 05405

2) Email an attachment in *Word* document format to

Vermont.GeneticsNetwork@uvm.edu. If you choose to email your application, **electronic signatures must be included on the cover page and a hard copy of the cover page must arrive by mail within 1 week of February 14, 2003.**

Either choice must arrive in the VGN office by 4 pm on February 14, 2003

Questions?

Call (802) 656-4087

Check the web at www.uvm.edu/~biology/vgn

Or E-mail to Vermont.GeneticsNetwork@uvm.edu