



MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. David Brakke, Dr. Marilou Johnson, Dr. Steve Evans, Dr. Louise Temple, Dr. Steve Whisnant and Dr. Donna Amenta

FROM: John D. Hulvey, Director, Sponsored Programs Administration and Accounting

SUBJECT: Jeffress Memorial Trust – September 1st deadline

DATE: August 6, 2007

The purpose of the Jeffress Trust is to support basic research in chemical, medical or other scientific fields through grants to educational and research institutions in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Grants are given to assist scientists in such institutions to conduct investigations in the natural sciences, generally considered to include chemistry, physics, biology (with the exception of field studies, classification, other largely observational studies), studies in the basic medical sciences, such as biochemistry, microbiology, and others. JMU junior faculty researchers (26 total, so far) have received a total of \$839,810 in support from the Jeffress Memorial Trust, making the Trust an important catalyst for establishing their careers as serious researchers.

Please visit the following link to review applicant guidelines: <http://www.wm.edu/grants/OPPS/jeffress.htm>. A copy of the general policy guidelines may also be found at: <http://www.wm.edu/grants/OPPS/jeffressdocs.pdf>.

Funding: Funds should be requested for only one year, maximum \$30,000. After the first year, one-year renewals can be requested for up to \$10,000 per year for up to two additional years. These renewals should be requested at the regular application deadlines and should begin no sooner than one year after the start of the first award.

Direct expense for the project will be provided, normally including undergraduate or graduate student summer stipends (limited to the regular monthly rate paid in the academic year for three summer months); summer stipends for principal investigators who lack other support for research in the summer months (up to two months at the monthly maximum rate of \$3,000 per month or \$6,000 for the summer, no FICA should be included). Student participation should be in the form of fellowship or scholarship activities whenever possible. Fellowship or graduate assistant stipends paid from grant funds shall not exceed **one-fourth** of the academic year stipend for student assistants, not including any amounts for tuition or fees, paid by the institution. **Up to \$1,000 will be allowed for national or local travel.**

Application Deadline: September 1, 2007 deadline (project period: January 1 -December 31); March 1, 2008 deadline (project period: July 1 - June 30). Renewals are competitive.

Inquiries: If you have questions please call Dr. Richard B. Brandt, Advisor, at (804) 788-3698, or Linda C. Barrett, Assistant Advisor, at (804)788-3010. New investigators early in their careers have funding priority; senior faculty and others detailed above have lesser priority. Senior Faculty can contact Dr. Richard Brandt, about eligibility prior to writing a proposal.

If this information does not serve you, please forward it to the appropriate person(s). For further assistance in submitting a grant application to the Jeffress Memorial Trust, please contact Sponsored Programs at 568-6872.

From the desk of...
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