

Dear Colleagues,

Please find attached the RFPs for UCOP Advancing Faculty Diversity grants for this year that arrived to our campus on March 17<sup>th</sup>. Given the current budget climate, proposals that address *Retention and Climate* are particularly encouraged this year. While the timeframe is tight, we want to send a general call out to the campus for ideas through pre-proposals.

The form for the two-page preproposal is also attached. As it indicates on the form, preproposals should be submitted to the Advancing Faculty Pre-proposal Evaluation Committee by April 12<sup>th</sup> via <u>Deborah.Greene@ucr.edu</u>. Members of the Pre-proposal Evaluation Committee are Boniface Fokwa from Chemistry, Aerika Loyd from Psychology, Elodie Goodman from Business, Mariam Lam as VCDEI and Daniel Jeske as VPAP. You will be notified by April 19<sup>th</sup> if your pre-proposal is selected as one of the campus proposals to UCOP, at which time there may be suggestions from the committee as to how to make the proposal more competitive.

During development of the full proposal, it is important to ensure accuracy of statements and buy-in from the units involved. In addition, consultation with the offices of DEI and APO is encouraged for advice on how to incorporate existing resources and DEI language and programming into the proposal. Each of the RFPs includes an Appendix A that provides abstracts of previously funded proposals

The final full proposal must reach the Provost's office via <u>Deborah.Greene@ucr.edu</u> in the VPAP's office by May 17<sup>th</sup> in order that there is sufficient time to compose the Provost's letter of submission, assemble the file and submit by the UCOP deadline of May 21<sup>st</sup>.

Sincerely,

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