

Proposal for new or additional ER Jackman Friends and Alumni to support CAS Student Engagement

New Fund Priorities (in order of priority)

1. Experiential Expo

The Experiential Expo (Expo) is held annually in October. The Expo began as an opportunity for potential internship providers and employers to have a smaller venue than the OSU Career Fair to visit with CAS students. The Expo has grown to include small workshops for students, industry spotlight sessions, and student poster sessions (research, internships, and global opportunities are showcased).

Our goal in the next 3 years is to broaden the focus further to provide students with a variety of ways to engage in experiential opportunities, including research, internships, leadership, community service, and global opportunities. Engagement will include recent alumni panels, poster sessions, peer-to-peer and industry networking, and small workshops. We will also expand to include engagement on campus, and with industry, non-profits, government agencies, and global partners.

In 2017 we had 13 industry/non-profit/agency representatives and over 50 students engaged. The 2018 Expo has over 20 industry/non-profit/agency representatives registered, with new Community Service representatives. With student registration just opened over 57 students have already registered. Student poster sessions will include over 25 research posters, including Beginning researcher, Continuing Researcher, and BES Research Internship participants from Spring and Summer 2018. In addition, we will have over a dozen student posters from participants in the ER Jackman Internship Support Program, Puerto Rico Trip, Exploring World Ag-Palau Tour, and the Exploring U.S. Ag - Southwestern U.S. Tour.

As the event focus expands, the cost of renting the facilities and providing a networking lunch increase. We currently require registration fees from industry/agency/ and nonprofits for display tables and we have Networking Lunch Table Sponsorships.

The expenses for this event are \$7,000 with approximately one-third paid by industry registration. Our request from ER Jackman is for a single or reoccurring \$2-3,000 sponsorship. This sponsorship will be recognized on digital and printed materials for the expo, the message board display during the Expo, and on signage at the Networking Lunch.

NOTE: On Sept. 27, 2018, ER Jackman Board approved \$ 2500 from its one-time Board Initiated Projects budget in support of the October 16, 2018 event.

2. Funds for Undergraduate Participation in Professional Meeting

Undergraduate students are often looking for funding opportunities to travel to professional meetings. Their participation in these meetings may be to present research; attend student workshops on leadership, graduate school preparation, and career opportunities. Often students working on projects through CAS research programs are looking for additional funds to present their work.

We are asking for \$3600, which will be available for students through an application process. This will provide up to \$300 per student for a maximum of 12 with a required match. Students will be asked to clearly outline the costs (registration, travel, and meals), articulate the extent of their active participation (including specific workshops, presentations, etc), and obtain cost-share from their

department or own funds. Following travel, the students will provide a short summary (one-two paragraphs) of their professional meeting experience for purposes of encouraging other students.

Changes/Additions to Current ER Jackman Funded Programs

1. LSAMP Funds (supported in past by Fox Fund)

I hope that ER Jackman will continue to allocate funds for the Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP) Bridge Program. Each year the Bridge Program serves 2-3 students who have already chosen a major in CAS and each year we have 1 or 2 students from the Bridge cohort who decide to change their major to one in CAS within their first year. Each year CAS provide a half day of activities for the Program. This year we had four activities offered by faculty (Horticulture, Botany and Plant Pathology, Applied Economics, Food Science and Technology) and a chance to visit with the CAS Ambassadors during an overview of the college. LSAMP is an important pipeline for minority, high achieving student for the college.

The current MOU between CAS (and all other colleges on campus) and LSAMP is for the duration of the two year grant they received from National Science Foundation (NSF). The current grant period ends July 2019.

- Summer Bridge: 10 students x \$1,485/student = \$14,850
- Academy & Programming: \$1,500
- Total = \$16,350

The 2019 and 2020 LSAMP Program funding is dependent on a renewal of the NSF grant and the CAS contribution will be slightly more, my expectation is that the funding request will be about \$18,000 for another two years.

<http://lsamp.oregonstate.edu/lsamp-bridge>

2. Puerto Rico Trip. tentatively Spring 2018.

The next Puerto Rico trip will likely not be until spring break of 2019. The current plan is take up to 36 students working at five different schools in their agriculture programs. No specifics are know yet.

<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/feature/service-learning-puerto-rico-packs-lifelong-lessons>

<http://impact.oregonstate.edu/2018/08/taking-science-across-borders-to-help-puerto-rico-in-aftermath-of-hurricane-maria/>

<https://today.oregonstate.edu/story/osu-students-staff-will-make-service-learning-trip-puerto-rico-over-spring-break>

3. Beginning Researcher Program Funds

Currently we are allocating \$750 per student for wages for a winter/spring term (20 week) project and \$1000 for summer/fall projects. Students may submit a winter/spring and a consecutive summer/fall application. We encourage student to speak to faculty about getting funds directly and or pursuing the Continuing Researcher Funds. Our initial budget was \$16,000 annually from ER Jackman. No matching is required for beginning Researcher Program, this encourages faculty to extend invitations to true beginning researchers with less budget concerns. For the 2017 FY you funded \$7000 in summer/fall and \$9750 for winter/spring, slightly over the \$16,000 allocation.

We would like to increase the amounts of awards to \$1000 winter/spring and \$1500 for summer/fall. The average student wage is \$10.50 an hour. Based on last year's numbers this would require a total annual budget of \$24,500. We are working towards reporting to ER Jackman by providing thumbnail digital versions of all research posters on a website and/or newsletter.

4. Student Success Funds (Emergency Funds)

The College is looking to provide a source of reoccurring funds that will allow us to fill in emergency gaps in student financial need. I am currently developing a policy for one-time funds that were donated to the college in Dean Arp's name for this purpose. Funds would be restricted at this time to students within two terms of completing their degree who have limited and specific needs to enable registration and completion of courses. Needs may include but are not limited to books, partial fee payment, or personal needs (such as daycare). The award amount would be up to \$500 for a one-time request and deposited in their student account. Student will be required to be in good academic standing, have an academic plan for completion, explanation of need, and a letter of support from their academic advisor.

Our request would be for \$5000 reoccurring funds or one-time.