# Chancellor's Seed Grant Program Office of Research, Graduate Studies, and External Programs Washington State University Tri-Cities

### **Request for Applications**

The Office of Research, Graduate Studies, and External Programs (ORGSEP) seeks to support up to three interdisciplinary research proposals that will forge new collaborations across diverse academic units and disciplines at Washington State University (WSU) Tri-Cities. Applicants are encouraged to demonstrate how the proposed activities will build stronger relationships with partners outside of WSU Tri-Cities. Proposed activities should lead to sustained collaborations that form the basis for future interdisciplinary grant proposals aligned with WSU <u>Grand</u> Challenges.

### **Funding Restrictions**

Three \$5,000 grants will be available for multidisciplinary groups of WSU Tri-Cities investigators to initiate activities together. Funds may be used for data synthesis workshops, symposia, or graduate student stipends. Funds may not be used to support faculty salaries, benefits or indirect costs.

#### Eligibility

Washington State University Tri-Cities tenured, tenure-track, and clinical faculty members.

#### **Application Guidelines**

A two-page narrative must include:

- Principal investigator name(s) and affiliation(s)
- Summary (abstract)
- Problem description
- Proposed activities with a timeline demonstrating outcomes that promote longer term interdisciplinary collaboration
- Statement on why this project is a strategic investment toward building future interdisciplinary collaborations at WSU Tri-Cities

#### Additional materials:

- 1-page maximum list of personnel who will be engaged and their roles on the project
- 1-page maximum budget and justification
- 2-page Biographical Sketch using current NSF guidelines for each faculty identified as a Principal or Co-Investigator.

#### Application Deadline: February 25, 2016 5:00 PM

Please submit the application package as a single PDF document to: chancellor-seed-grant@tricity.wsu.edu

## Award Announcement: March 15, 2016

#### **Deliverables**

A 2-page report stating the outcome of the activities supported by this seed grant, including what proposal has been submitted (or is in preparation) as a result of this funding. The report is due on December 31, 2016.

# Proposals will be evaluated by the following metric and should demonstrate that the proposed activities:

- 1. Will add unique research capability to WSU Tri-Cities (30%)
- 2. Will leverage or enable additional funding (40%)
- 3. Will enable interdisciplinary collaborative research (30%)