

INVESTIGATOR ELIGIBILITY POLICY

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All proposals for extramural funding must carry as principal investigator or co-investigator at least one person holding one of the following academic ranks at Florida State University.

JOB CODE	JOB CODE DESCRIPTION	TITLE
90019S	Professor 9 Mo SAL	Professor
9001AS	Professor 12 MO SAL	Professor
90029S	Assoc Professor 9 Mo SAL	Associate Professor
9002AS	Asoc Professor 12 Mo SAL	Associate Professor
90039S	Asst Professor 9 Mo SAL	Assistant Professor
9003AS	Asst Professor 12 Mo SAL	Assistant Professor
90089S	Regents Professor 9 Mo SAL	Regents Professor
9008AS	Regents Professor 12 Mo SAL	Regents Professor
90099S	Eminent Scholar 9 Mo SAL	Eminent Scholar
9009AS	Eminent Scholar 12 Mo SAL	Eminent Scholar
9016AS	Univ Sch Professor 12 Mo SAL	University School Professor
9016BS	Univ Sch Professor 10 Mo SAL	University School Professor
9017AS	Univ Sch Asoc Prof 12 Mo SAL	University School Associate Professor
9017BS	Univ Sch Asoc Prof 10 Mo SAL	University School Associate Professor
9018AS	Univ Sch Asst Prof 12 Mo SAL	University School Assistant Professor
9018BS	Univ Sch Asst Prof 10 Mo SAL	University School Assistant Professor
90539S	Univ Librarian 9 Mo SAL	University Librarian
9053AS	University Librarian 12 Mo SAL	University Librarian
9054AS	Assoc Univ Librarian 12 Mo SAL	Associate University Librarian
9055AS	Asst Univ Librarian 12 Mo SAL	Assistant University Librarian
91669S	*Research Asoc 9 Mo SAL	Research Associate
9166AS	*Research Asoc 12 Mo SAL	Research Associate
91209S	*Assoc In 9 Mo SAL	Associate In
9120AS	*Assoc In 12 Mo SAL	Associate In
91219S	*Asst In 9 Mo SAL	Assistant In
9121AS	*Asst In 12 Mo SAL	Assistant In
9150AS	Curator 12 Mo SAL	Curator
9151AS	Assoc Curator 12 Mo SAL	Associate Curator
9152AS	Asst Curator 12 Mo SAL	Assistant Curator
9153AS	Staff Physicist 12 Mo SAL	Staff Physicist
91609S	Scholar/Scientist 9 Mo SAL	Scholar/Scientist
9160AS	Scholar/Scientist 12 Mo SAL	Scholar/Scientist
91619S	Asoc Schlar/Scientist 9 Mo SAL	Associate Scholar Scientist
9161AS	Asoc Scholar/Scientist 12 Mo SAL	Associate Scholar Scientist
91629S	Asst Scholar/Sci 9 Mo SAL	Assistant Scholar Scientist
9162AS	Asst Scholar/Sci 12 Mo SAL	Assistant Schlar Scientist
91999S	Faculty Administrator 9 Mo SAL	Faculty Administrator
9199AS	Faculty Admin 12 Mo SAL	Faculty Administrator

While it is the intent of this policy that all proposals for extramural funding carry as principal investigator (PI) or co-investigator at least one person holding one of the above noted academic ranks at FSU, we do not wish to stand in the way of potentially successful grant submissions. We recognize that in some areas of the University, job codes/job code descriptions/titles do not properly reflect the true teaching or research status of the employee.

*The department chair/director and/or dean shall make the determination as to whether individuals in these job codes have the appropriate qualifications and job responsibilities to serve as a PI or Co-PI.

Certain exceptions to the above policy may be made (e.g., for research associates, masters and doctoral candidates, etc.) with the approval of the department head/chair, dean of the school/college, and the approval of the Vice President for Research.

In ALL cases, by signing the FSU Proposal Transmittal Form or approving the proposal electronically in OMNI, the department head/chair and dean (or designees) certify that they approve the eligibility of the principal investigator.

Proposals are initiated by faculty who will be performing the respective research or education program, but are submitted to the intended funding agency in the name of Florida State University on behalf of the principal investigator. Grants or contracts, if awarded, are made to the University and not to the individual. **It is, therefore, a requirement that the proposal prepared by the investigator be submitted under the signature of the duly authorized University official, FSU's Vice President for Research.**

There are several internal FSU funding programs (e.g. CRC and Cornerstone) and numerous external funding programs traditionally available to FSU faculty. It is the desire of the Office of the Vice President for Research, Sponsored Research Services and the FSU Research Foundation, that ALL proposals, whether internal or external, bring extramural funding to FSU. It is from our recovery of indirect costs associated with most extramural funding that Sponsored Research & Development (SRAD) dollars accumulate for distribution to various entities at FSU in support of research programs.

FAMU-FSU College of Engineering faculty members may apply for FSU SRAD-supported programs, such as CRC and Cornerstone, **if** the principal investigator is FSU-paid or has obtained external funding administered through FSU's Sponsored Research Office. For proposals to external funding agencies, faculty in the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering should review the procedures specific to their college.

Therefore, simply stated, if you work at FSU, are paid by FSU, and are likely considered eligible to apply for grants by an external funding agency, then we encourage you to do so through the Office of the VP Research for CRC and Cornerstone programs and through Sponsored Research Services (SRS) or FSU Research Foundation (FSURF) for all other funding agencies.

We want to help you be successful in your efforts to attract funding for your research and creative activity. If your chair and dean, or equivalent entities, are in support of your proposal and thus sign off on your proposal, we welcome the opportunity to assist you.

Send comments or questions to srs@mailier.fsu.edu