## Service-Learning Excellence Program Service-Learning Research Grant

Service-Learning Excellence (SLE) Research Grants are intended to support faculty efforts in service-learning research efforts. The goal of the SLE research grant is to encourage all faculty to continue to perform, improve, and advance their service learning research activity. SLE Research Grants are awarded on an annual basis; up to 3 per academic year to support ongoing research activity focused on service-learning and other experiential-learning pedagogical approaches All faculty are eligible for these awards. Faculty may receive an research grant more than once, but not in two consecutive academic years and not more than once per research project. SLE Research Grants consist of a \$1000 award, in the form of interdepartmental transfer for research resources, as a stipend paid directly to faculty, or a combination of funding types.

**Grant Award Criteria:** Grants are awarded based on work conducted while appointed at Texas State University. Primary criteria are (1) demonstrated research program viability, (2) potential impact for informing service-learning other experiential-learning pedagogy, and (3) publication potential. Preference will be given to research focused on *service-learning* pedagogy.

## Submission Requirements

Research narrative including the following sections:

- Title
- Investigator Name, College, and Contact Information
- Abstract (500 word maximum)
- Introduction
- Background/Literature Review
- Project Description
  - Methods
  - o Data/Analysis
- Significance of Research to Informing Pedagogy
- Dissemination of Results
- Budget and Rationale (Resource, Stipend, Combination)
- Key References (single-spaced)
- One-page summary of research record in TXST Vita format
- Report of prior SLE grants if received (additional 1 page)

**Required format:** 5 pages maximum, single-spaced, 12-point Times Font, 1 inch margins Application portfolios that do not conform to the requirements above will not be considered. **Submission Deadline:** Annual submission deadline is 11:59pm on August 1.

Submit application via email to: <u>ServiceLearning@txstate.edu</u>, subject line: Research Grant Review Process

By October 1, the SLE Program will review applications.

By November 1, the SLE Program Director will announce the recipients of grants.

**Reporting:** Recipients are required to submit an outcome report by June 1<sup>st</sup> of the year following grant award, non-submission of report results in non-eligibility for SLE Grant and Award consideration for the following academic year. Faculty non-submission of course metrics results in non-eligibility for SLE Grant and Award consideration for the following academic year.