RCAP funding is provided to encourage eligible full-time faculty and instructors at all campuses to develop individual or collaborative research projects leading to the pursuit of external funding sources, or the promotion of scholarly and creative activities.

**Categories:**

**Category I** funds are considered "seed" monies to enhance the competitiveness of a subsequent submission of a new or renewal proposal for external funding.

- Awards up to $16,000
- Funds target all disciplines
- Applicants without prior extramural funding must identify a grants mentor who may use up to $1,000 for travel to scholarly meetings, if noted in the proposed budget.

**Category II** funds support the general development, expansion, or enhancement of faculty research and scholarly activity, and/or the creative and performing arts.

- Awards up to $8,000
- Funds target all disciplines

**Tracks:**

Each category is divided into three project tracks:

- Track S (Singular): A single, focused research, scholarly, or creative project
- Track C (inter-Collegiate): Collaborations between two or more WKU colleges
- Track E (External/inter-institutional): Collaborations with other institutions (1:1 cost share required)

**Deadline:**

Proposals accepted annually during the Spring semester. Campus will be notified via email (internal.grants@wku.edu) when the applications are available.

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