NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

Proposal Initiative Fund
Grants from the Proposal Initiative Fund (PIF) are available for enhancing the recipient’s chances of obtaining external funding. Applications for the next round of PIF funding are due May 13, 2009 by 12:00 noon. For more details, see the summary on page 6.

Submissions and Awards
The listing on pages 3-5 recognizes everyone who received a grant or submitted a proposal for external funding during the third quarter of FY09.

Grants from ARRA
The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act has created additional opportunities for some types of grant funding. A complete listing is available at http://www.grants.gov/applicants/recovery.jsp.
The Council on Faculty Research (CFR) grant competition will be held in early September. The Council supports research and creative activity. Proposed projects must address a significant scholarly issue. All tenured/tenure track faculty in Bargaining Unit A, department chairs, and associate chairs are eligible to submit in the Fall 2009 (FY10) competition. Beginning with awards made during the Fall 2005 competition, any individual may receive only two consecutive Fall awards, after which the individual will be ineligible for a Fall award in the third year. Specifically, receipt of an award for the Fall 2007 (FY08) and Fall 2008 (FY09) competition will make an individual ineligible for an award in the FY2010 competition; eligibility will resume in the FY2011 competition.

Eligible persons who wish to apply for funding from the CFR should hand-deliver one copy of their proposal to the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, 1102 Blair Hall, no later than 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 9, 2009. Researchers who have previously received a CFR grant and/or Summer Research Award should make sure a progress/final report is on file for each award in the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs. To obtain a copy of the application materials, please visit our website at [http://www.eiu.edu/~grants/OS_Forms.php](http://www.eiu.edu/~grants/OS_Forms.php). Applicants should be sure they use the most current application forms. If you have any questions, please contact Brad Green in the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at 581-2125.

### 2009 Summer Research/Creative Activity Awards

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs and the Council on Faculty Research would like to congratulate the faculty members who have received a 2009 Summer Research and Creative Activity Award. The Council received thirty-nine grant proposals. The College of Arts and Humanities submitted eleven proposals, seven were funded; the College of Business and Applied Sciences submitted eight proposals, two were funded; College of Education and Professional Studies submitted four proposals, two were funded; College of Sciences submitted sixteen proposals, nine were funded. Faculty members receiving awards are: Rick Anderson, Mathematics and Computer Science; Lilian Barria, Political Science; Gary Canivez, Psychology; Phyllis Croisant, Kinesiology and Sports Studies; Minh Quang Dao, Economics; Karen Drage, School of Technology; Terri Fredrick, English; Ann Fritz, Biological Sciences; Christopher Hanlon, English; Ryan Hjendrickson, Political Science; Joseph Heumann (joint proposal), Communication Studies; Robert Horvath, Art; Tesa Leonce, Economics; Crystal Yan Lin, School of Business; Jeanne Ludlow, English/Women’s Studies Program; Michael Mulvaney, Recreation Administration; Robin Murray (joint proposal), English; Gopal Periyannan, Chemistry; David Raybin, English; Radu Semeniuc, Chemistry; and Edmund Wehrle, History.

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**GRANT PROPOSALS RECEIVED**  
**JANUARY—MARCH, 2009**

**Armstrong, Ke’an/Huckstep, Jenifer/Good, Brenda, WEIU.** PBS TeacherLine in Central Illinois. Public Broadcasting Service, $6,000.

**Armstrong, Ke’an/Johnson, Jana/Roche, Denis, WEIU.** My Source Community Impact Grant (Increase #1). Corporation for Public Broadcasting, $2,000.

**Armstrong, Ke’an/Roche, Denis, WEIU.** CPB Digital Distribution Fund Round 11 (Increase). Corporation for Public Broadcasting, $312,995.


**Baker, Misty/Painter, James, Family and Consumer Sciences.** Child Care Resource and Referral FY09 (Increase). Illinois Department of Human Services, $3,013.

**Bulla, Gary, Biological Sciences.** RUI - Whole Genome Analysis of Hepatic Gene Silencing (Year One). National Science Foundation, $64,881.

**Coblentz, Larry/Joines, Jacqueline, ROTC/Philanthropy.** Tawani Cadet Awards Grant. Tawani Charitable Foundation, $5,000.

**Coons, Janice/Coutant, Nancy, Biological Sciences.** Plant propagation of species native to Missouri, Southeast Region Diversity Program (Increase #4). Missouri Department of Conservation, $3,000.

**Crews, Daniel, Arts and Humanities Dean’s Office.** Celebration: A Festival of the Arts FY09. City of Charleston Tourism, $2,800.

**Crews, Daniel, Arts and Humanities Dean’s Office.** IBHE Cooperative Work Study Program FY09. Illinois Board of Higher Education, $88,825.

**Davidson, Eric, Health Services.** Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws University Grant. Illinois Department of Human Services/Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, $23,333.

**Di Naso, Steven/Gutowski, Vincent/Stimac, John, Geology/Geography.** Geographic Information System (GIS) Support Services #2 Storm Water Manhole and Inlet Mapping (Increase #2). City of Decatur, $19,449.


**Wylie, Barbra, Peace Meal.** Senior Nutrition Program FY08 (Increase #2). ECIAAA/Nutrition Service Incentive Program, $659.

**Wylie, Barbra, Peace Meal.** Senior Nutrition Program FY09. (Champaign County) Community Foundation of East Central Illinois, $1,670.

**Wylie, Barbra, Peace Meal.** Senior Nutrition Program FY08 (Increase). (Champaign County) United Way of Champaign County, $5,000.
**GRANT PROPOSALS SUBMITTED JANUARY—MARCH, 2009**

**Armstrong, Ke'an/Johnston, Jana/Roche, Denis, WEIU.** My Source Community Impact Grant (Increase #1). Corporation for Public Broadcasting.


**Baker, Misty/Painter, James, Family and Consumer Sciences.** Child Care Resource and Referral FY09 (Increase). Illinois Department of Human Services.

**Carlsward, Barbara, Biological Sciences.** Collaborative Research: Toward a genus-level phylogenetic framework for angiosperms: Building community resources to achieve common goals. University of Florida/National Science Foundation.

**Coblentz, Larry/Joines, Jacqueline, ROTC/Philanthropy.** Tawani Cadet Awards Grant. Tawani Charitable Foundation.

**Coons, Janice/Coutant, Nancy, Biological Sciences.** Plant propagation of species native to Missouri, Southeast Region Diversity Program (Increase #4). Missouri Department of Conservation.

**Coons, Janice/Coutant, Nancy, Biological Sciences.** Distribution of Posters and Promotion of Logo to Identify Native Plants Available for Landscaping. Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

**Coutant, Nancy/Coons, Janice/Lawrence, Barbara, Biological Sciences/Chemistry.** Compounds in Smoke Solutions Created when Burning Tallgrass Prairie Species. Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

**Crews, Daniel, Arts and Humanities Dean's Office.** Celebration: A Festival of the Arts FY09. City of Charleston Tourism.

**Crews, Daniel, Arts and Humanities Dean's Office.** Celebration: A Festival of the Arts 2010. Illinois Arts Council.

**Di Naso, Steven/Gutowski, Vincent/Stimac, John, Geology/Geography.** Geographic Information System (GIS) Support Services #2 Storm Water Manhole and Inlet Mapping (Increase #2). City of Decatur.


**Eberly, Charles, Counseling and Student Development.** EDGE - Evaluation of Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program. U.S. Department of Education.

**Irwin, Bonnie, The Honors College.** Building a Community Engagement Program at Eastern Illinois University (Year One). Corporation for National Community Service.

**Johnson, Daniel/Pederson, Charles, Biological Sciences.** Affect of Seasonal Nutrient Loading on Phytobenthos Assemblage Structure in the Sangamon River Watershed. Illinois Department of Natural Resources.


**Meiners, Scott, Biological Sciences.** REU Supplement - LTREB: Controls and consequences of exotic plant invasions in abandoned agricultural land. National Science Foundation.

**Meiners, Scott/Carlsward, Barbara/Methven, Andrew, Biological Sciences.** RUI - The functional ecology of plant community change. National Science Foundation.

**Messinger, Ryan, Health Services.** "CHOICES, Choose to be Blue" - 2009 NCAA CHOICES. National Collegiate Athletic Association/Anheuser-Bush Companies, Inc.

**Mitrovski, Svetlana, Chemistry.** Radiation-Induced Multi-Functional Properties of Polymer and Metal Oxide Dielectrics. National Science Foundation.


Morice, Katherine/Murray, Robin, Tarble Arts Center/English. Embarras Valley Film Festival: Abraham Lincoln, the Civil War, and Memory on Film. Illinois Arts Council.

Mullin, Stephen, Biological Sciences. Dietary uptake of atrazine by female Northern Watersnakes (Nerodia sipedon) and subsequent effects on offspring. Illinois Department of Natural Resources.


Wylie, Barbra, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY10. (DeWitt County) United Way of Decatur and Mid Illinois For DeWitt County.


Wylie, Barbra, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY10. (Champaign County) United Way of Champaign County.

FY2010 PROPOSAL INITIATIVE FUND: ROUND 1

The Proposal Initiative Fund (PIF) supports projects with potential to lead to significant external funding. Eligible projects include—but are not limited to—research, creative activity, service, curriculum development, and outreach. Any university employee is welcome to apply for PIF support. Anyone who accepts a PIF grant will agree in writing to submit a proposal for external funding within 12 months of the end of the PIF grant. There are two types of PIF grants: Type A (maximum of $1,500) and Type B (maximum of $7,500). Applicants for Type A grants must demonstrate plans to apply for an external grant worth a total of at least $20,000. Applicants for Type B grants must demonstrate plans to apply for an external grant worth at least $50,000 per year. Each type of grant will carry an expiration date that coincides with the end of the fiscal year in which it is awarded. The PIF program is subject to availability of funds. Total anticipated funding of PIF grants is $40,000 per year during FY2010.

Application materials and complete program guidelines are available for download on the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs page at http://www.eiu.edu/~grants/SIF_PIF.php. Eligible persons who wish to apply for a PIF grant should hand deliver one copy of their proposal to the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, 1102 Blair Hall, no later than noon (12 o'clock), Wednesday, May 13, 2009. If you have any questions, please email Brad Green at bigreen@eiu.edu or call 581-2125.