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SUBJ: **Spring 2008 FDA and USRG Request for Proposals**
Deadline: 5:00 pm - Monday, March 3, 2008

The Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (*ORSP*) announces the *Spring 2008 FDA and USRG Request for Proposals* for KSU faculty members, assistant professor and above, who are interested in receiving assistance in their scholarly activities and professional development. A more detailed description of these programs follows below.

- ◆ **FDA - *President's Faculty Development Awards*** program provides support to travel to international meetings, primarily at international locations, to participate in foreign exchanges (such as NEH fellowships) and to meet with Program Officers of potential external sponsors. All KSU faculty members holding appointments at the assistant professor level or above are eligible for this award.
- ◆ **USRG - *University Small Research Grants*** program is a "seed" grant program to support early research, scholarly activity, and other creative efforts. Since the USRG program parallels programs in the Agricultural Experiment Station (AES) and the Engineering Experiment Station (EES), eligibility is restricted to faculty who are not eligible for AES or EES support.

If you seek travel support that will occur **before July 1, apply in the fall competition.** Fall funding must be committed before the close of the current fiscal year (June 30).

If you seek travel support that will occur **after June 30, apply in the spring competition.** Spring funding is allocated after the next fiscal year begins (after July 1).

"Question and Answer Session"
Tuesday, February 12th, 3:30 p.m.

K-State Union Room 213

RSVP to orsp@ksu.edu by 5:00 pm on February 8th to reserve your seat!

Issues to be addressed include which program to apply to, what to include in the application, how to prepare the budget, what should be included in the curriculum vita, and how the review process works. Attendance is not mandatory for funding but is recommended, particularly for new faculty. Direct questions to Caron Boyce (cboyce@ksu.edu) or me at guikema@ksu.edu or call 532-6195.

Detailed information, instructions and forms are available at:

<http://www.ksu.edu/research/funding/>