FY25 PDS Guidelines

PDS requests must be submitted by **January 20, 2024** and must include the following:
a. A cover page with proposal title, PIs with affiliation, and no more than 5 keywords describing the area of research that will allow selection of reviewers;
b. A detailed abstract / summary of proposed research activities (maximum 5 pages);
c. A detailed description of the research team, identifying the role of each investigator (maximum 2 pages);
d. Intended funding agency and corresponding RFP or grant announcement for future proposals that will be generated through the work supported by PDS;
    a. Intended submission timeline and size of estimated budget (no budget detail necessary);
e. detailed PDS budget (The period of performance is 12 months: July 1, 2024-June 30 2025);
f. Justification of PDS budget;
g. Current NSF-style resumes of all PIs

Review/selection criteria:
a. A review committee/panel comprised of 3-5 members;
b. A recommendation of funding (either "recommend" or "not recommend") will be submitted to the VCR who will make the final decision based on reviews and available funding;
c. Review will weight on each of the following criteria:
    I. Significance and innovation of the proposed research; quality and clarity of the proposal's concept, objective, timeline, and description; demonstration of an excellent understanding of the field(s) in which the project is situated;
    II. Targeted external proposal opportunities: meeting PDS external proposal goals; evaluation of whether the PDS improves the probability of success with targeted research agency and grant opportunity;
    III. Feasibility: PIs, facilities;
    IV. Adequacy/utility of items for which PDS is requested.

Two PDS awards will be set aside for faculty who present or have a poster during the Research Discovery Workshop (more PDS awards may be possible for Research Discover Workshop attendees based on reviews and availability of funds).

Applications are due January 20, 2024. Submit *a single* PDF document to ovcr@siu.edu Late submissions will not be accepted. Awards will be announced during April, 2024.

The period of performance is 12 months: July 1, 2024-June 30 2025. All funds must be expended during the period of performance. Under no circumstances will the funds be extended beyond June 30, 2025. Costs incurred before the grant period will not be covered.

Note: To create continuous support for the PDS program, faculty who receive PDS funds and who are successful in receiving awards through proposals that were made possible through PDS support, will allocate their 4% F&A return to a PDS fund to support future investigators, *regardless of Center affiliation.*