



Georgia Tech

Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts

Request for Proposals: Ivan Allen College Internal Grant Program

The Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts is pleased to announce a call for internal funding. In particular, we are offering internal grants to support short-term professional development or scholarly activities (where all funds can be spent by June 30, 2024). A copy of this RFP and details of recent internal IAC awards, including lists of recent recipients, are available on the IAC Research Administration website:

<https://research.iac.gatech.edu/iac-gt-funding>. We anticipate our annual small grants for research (SGR) call, for awards in the next fiscal year, will be released in mid-February.

Short-term Opportunity for Professional Development and Scholarly Activities (SODA)

Due Date	February 9, 2024 (Priority deadline). Proposals accepted through February 29, 2024
Application Process	Online application with up to 400-word description of project and budget. Apply here: https://gatech.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1930168 (On-campus or VPN only).
Approval	Applications are approved by School Chairs (or Unit Directors) prior to review by select faculty.
Selection	IAC Dean, based on recommendations by faculty reviewers.
Funding	All funds must be used before June 30, 2024. Acceptable budget categories vary by category. Faculty on 12-month contracts are not eligible to request salary support.
Reporting	Recipients are expected to submit a brief report at the end of the grant period indicating how funds were spent and summarizing the outcomes and impact of the project.

SODA-A External Funding Support

Up to \$5,000 to provide protected time and support the development an application for external funding from a relevant government agency (e.g., NSF, NIH, NEH, USDA, etc.) or philanthropic foundation. Applicants should identify a potential grant solicitation, provide the expected due date for the proposal and a high-level overview of their proposal. They should also briefly summarize their past record of applying for and/or receiving external funding. Examples of eligible expenditures include summer faculty salary and related expenses such as books, access to datasets or proprietary archives, travel to meet with collaborators, and graduate or undergraduate hourly support. Recipients will be expected to submit a draft of their proposal at least three weeks prior to the due date to facilitate internal review and feedback.

Eligibility: All full-time academic and research faculty with their primary appointments in IAC units. Past recipients of awards in this category are eligible, but preference is given to faculty with limited experience seeking external funding.

Application: Online application with **400-word description** of proposal, including the targeted grant solicitation and expected due date.

SODA-B Targeted Research Initiative

Up to \$5,000 to support individual or collaborative research activities leading to a clear deliverable (e.g. completed book, article manuscript, installation, conference paper, presentation, book proposal, etc.). Applicants should identify the deliverable the funding will enable as well as an expected date of completion and provide an overview of the research activities required to complete it. Examples of

eligible expenditures include summer faculty salary and related expenses such as books, access to datasets or proprietary archives, travel to meet collaborators, and graduate or undergraduate hourly support.
For the SODA-B Targeted Research Initiative category, we encourage proposals that connect with Georgia Tech’s existing interdisciplinary research institutes and/or emerging areas of interdisciplinary research activity at Georgia Tech (e.g. neuroscience, space research, just and healthy societies, environmental humanities, etc.)
Eligibility: All full-time academic and research faculty with primary appointments in IAC units. Priority to faculty who did not receive professional development or scholarly activities awards in Spring 2023.
Application: Online application with 400-word description of proposal and budget.

SODA-C Curriculum Development
Up to \$5,000 to support individual or collaborative efforts in curriculum development (e.g., to design or re-design a course, develop a minor or degree program, or create an online teaching resource). Applicants should identify the specific curriculum development activity they propose, the expected date of completion, and how the results of the effort will enhance IAC’s educational offerings. Examples of eligible expenditures include summer faculty salary and related expenses such as books, access to datasets or proprietary archives, travel to meet with collaborators, and graduate or undergraduate hourly support.
Eligibility: All full-time academic and research faculty with primary appointments in IAC units. Priority to faculty who did not receive professional development or scholarly activities awards in Spring 2023.
Application: Online application with 400-word description of proposal and budget.

SODA-D Professional Development
Up to \$5,000 to support faculty professional development activities. Examples of eligible expenses include travel and registration fees for conferences, workshops and similar professional development programs as well as materials and supplies that support professional development goals. Faculty salary support is not allowed for this category of award.
Eligibility: All full-time academic and research faculty with their primary appointments in IAC units. Past recipients of awards in this category are eligible, but preference is given to applicants who haven’t received college support for professional development activities in the past year. Please note that applicants should already have used or encumbered existing unrestricted or professional development funds from the college and/or unit before applying.
Application: Online application with 400-word description of proposal and budget.

SODA-E Miscellaneous research expenses
Up to \$2,500 for research-related expenses of an unusual nature. Examples of eligible expenditures include (but are not limited to) research-related workshops or symposia, indexing or subvention fees related to scholarly publication if not otherwise available (capped at \$500), access to proprietary datasets, research-related equipment purchase, proposal preparation assistance. Faculty salary support is not allowed for this category of award. For larger requests, the College may request matching funds from the faculty member’s primary school or unit.
Eligibility: All full-time academic and research faculty with their primary appointments in IAC units.
Application: Online application with 400-word description of proposal and budget.
Preference is for applications received by Feb 29, 2024 , but SODA-E applications are also accepted on a rolling basis (if funds are available).

Historical SODA/Professional Development Application and Award Data

	2021	2022	2023
Support for Seeking External Funding Awards	N/A	3	5
Support for Seeking External Funding Applications	N/A	3	6
Targeted Research Awards	12	4	8
Targeted Research Applications	24	5	15
Curriculum Development Awards	3	5	2
Curriculum Development Applications	17	5	4
Professional Development Awards	N/A	N/A	3
Professional Development Applications	N/A	N/A	5