

Proposal for the Establishment of an Organized Research Unit

Faculty who are interested in submitting a proposal for the establishment of an organized research unit (ORU) must provide the following information using the process identified in Section 210-20.

1. Background information, goals, and objectives, and reasons why they cannot be achieved within the existing structure. If the unit arises from an existing organized research project (ORP), justification for seeking status as an ORU.
2. Statement of original knowledge the unit will add to the field.
3. Comparison with similar units elsewhere, including such information as how the proposed unit duplicates other entities and how the new unit would be unique.
4. List of related departments and programs and their relationship to the proposed unit.
5. List of names of faculty members who will participate, and projections of numbers of faculty, students, professional research positions, and other personnel needs for a five- year period.
6. Statement of impact on graduate education, including opportunities for training, employment, and exposure to new knowledge and fields of endeavor. Estimated number of students expected to participate during the first five years.
7. Statement of effects on teaching programs of participating faculty members' departments, particularly in reference to graduate education.
8. Budget estimates for first year of operation and projection for a five-year period. Anticipated sources of all funding, including specific sources of University support.
9. Immediate and projected space needs, equipment, library resources, capital outlay, and other necessary facilities, identifying the extent to which those needs are satisfied by existing arrangements.