**FACULTY GRANT-WRITING SUPPORT AWARD**

**Signature Form**

The California State University Desert Studies Consortium (CDSC) seeks to provide funding for CSU faculty members to help them develop and submit proposals to external funders to support research or education projects that will enhance our understanding and appreciation of California’s deserts. The recipients will receive support equivalent to 3 WTUs of reassigned time, which will be applied to preparing and submitting a full proposal for funding through their institution's grants office.

 Applications are due in Fall. Awards may be applied in either Spring, Fall or Summer term of the upcoming year. Support will be equivalent to the CSU-Systemwide rate for 3 semester weighted teaching units (WTUs) at the Assistant Professor/Lecturer B level. This may be applied to re-assigned time, overload, summer salary, student assistants, or other purposes that will lead to the submission of a competitive proposal for an externally funded project.

 Funds will be transferred from the CDSC to the award recipient’s College through a Cash Posting Order and managed by the respective Dean. Awards are not subject to campus indirect costs or any other type of fees from any source, and benefits are not included.

**Eligibility**

All CSU faculty are eligible to apply. Faculty that are members of Desert Studies Consortium campuses may be given higher priority.

**Award conditions**

Awardees are expected to develop proposals to external funding agencies or organizations that will support understanding and appreciation of California deserts. Proposals may cover a wide variety of topics related to the mission of the CDSC (<https://www.fullerton.edu/dsc/>).

 Recipients must submit full proposals to external funding sources within 12 months of the beginning of the academic term in which the assigned time is received. Submission of letters of intent, preliminary proposals, and pre-proposals will not fulfill this requirement. Recipients will not be eligible to apply for CDSC funding again until this requirement is met. As a condition of award, recipients agree to provide a brief progress report of their related activities within 12 months of award. Recipients also agree to notify CDSC of any successful proposals resulting from the award.

**Applicant:** Fill out the information below based on the external funding proposal that you expect to submit as a result of this support.

Anticipated title of proposal:

Proposed extramural funding agency:

Estimated external funding amount to be requested:

Funding from the Faculty Grant-writing Support Award will be used for:

 [ ]  Re-assigned time in the upcoming Spring

 [ ]  Re-assigned time in upcoming Fall

 [ ]  Upcoming Summer pay

 [ ]  Overburden

 [ ]  Student employee

 [ ]  Other (explain):

Applicant (Principal Investigator) name:

Signature: Date:

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**Chair and Dean (or equivalents):**

I support the applicant’s request and will facilitate the applicant’s request to use the funds from the Faculty Grant-writing Support Award for the term and/or use listed above. I fully encourage and support the development and eventual submission of the external funding proposal that the applicant has described above.

Chair (or equivalent) name:

Email: Phone:

Signature: Date:

Dean (or equivalent) name:

Email: Phone:

Signature: Date: