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| I. | INTRODUCTION |
|  | This document establishes who can qualify as a principal investigator or co-investigator for extramural funding through Florida State University. |
| II. | POLICY (Including any Forms and Attachments) |
|  | All proposals for extramural funding must carry as principal investigator or co-investigator at least one person holding one of the following academic ranks at Florida State University.

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| **JOB CODE** | **JOB CODE DESCRIPTION** | **TITLE** |
| 90019S | Professor 9 Mo SAL | Professor |
| 9001AS | Professor 12 MO SAL | Professor |
| 9001EX | Professor Exec Service | Professor Executive Service |
| 90029S | Assoc Professor 9 Mo SAL | Associate Professor |
| 9002AS | Asoc Professor 12 Mo SAL | Associate Professor |
| 90039S | Asst Professor 9 Mo SAL | Assistant Professor |
| 9003AS | Asst Professor 12 Mo SAL | Assistant Professor |
| 90099S | Eminent Scholar 9 Mo SAL | Eminent Scholar |
| 9009AS | Eminent Scholar 12 Mo SAL | Eminent Scholar |
| 9016AS | Univ Sch Professor 12 Mo SAL | University School Professor |
| 9016BS | Univ Sch Professor 10 Mo SAL | University School Professor |
| 9017AS | Univ Sch Asoc Prof 12 Mo SAL | University School Associate Professor |
| 9017BS | Univ Sch Asoc Prof 10 Mo SAL | University School Associate Professor |
| 9018AS | Univ Sch Asst Prof 12 Mo SAL | University School Assistant Professor |
| 9018BS | Univ Sch Asst Prof 10 Mo SAL | University School Assistant Professor |
| 90539S | Univ Librarian 9 Mo SAL | University Librarian |
| 9053AS | University Librarian 12 Mo SAL | University Librarian |
| 9054AS | Assoc Univ Librarian 12 Mo SAL | Associate University Librarian |
| 9055AS | Asst Univ Librarian 12 Mo SAL | Assistant University Librarian |
| 90809S | Research Faculty I 9 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 9080AS | Research Faculty I 12 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 90819S | Research Fac II 9 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 9081AS | Research Fac II 12 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 90829S | Research Fac III 9 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 9082AS | Research Fac III 12 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 91209S | **\***Assoc In 9 Mo SAL | Associate In |
| 9120AS | **\***Assoc In 12 Mo SAL | Associate In |
| 91219S | **\***Asst In 9 Mo SAL | Assistant In |
| 9121AS | **\***Asst In 12 Mo SAL | Assistant In |
| 9150AS | Curator 12 Mo SAL | Curator |
| 9151AS | Assoc Curator 12 Mo SAL | Associate Curator |
| 9152AS | Asst Curator 12 Mo SAL | Assistant Curator |
| 91609S | Scholar/Scientist 9 Mo SAL | Scholar/Scientist |
| 9160AS | Scholar/Scientist 12 Mo SAL | Scholar/Scientist |
| 91619S | Asoc Schlar/Scientist 9 Mo SAL | Associate Scholar Scientist |
| 9161AS | Asoc Scholar/Scientist 12 Mo SAL | Associate Scholar Scientist |
| 91629S | Asst Scholar/Sci 9 Mo SAL | Assistant Scholar Scientist |
| 9162AS | Asst Scholar/Sci 12 Mo SAL | Assistant Scholar Scientist |
| 91659S | **\***Sr Research Associate 9 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 9165AS | **\***Sr Research Associate 12 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 91669S | **\***Research Asoc 9 Mo SAL | Research Associate |
| 9166AS | **\***Research Asoc 12 Mo SAL | Research Associate |
| 91679S | **\***Associate in Research 9 Mo SA | Other Faculty |
| 9167AS | **\***Associate in Research 12 Mo SA | Other Faculty |
| 91689S | **\***Assistant in Research 9 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 9168AS | **\***Assistant in Research 12 Mo SAL | Other Faculty |
| 91999S | Faculty Administrator 9 Mo SAL | Faculty Administrator |
| 9199AS | Faculty Admin 12 Mo SAL | Faculty Administrator |

While it is the intent of this policy that all proposals for extramural funding carry as principal investigator (PI) or co-investigator at least one person holding one of the above noted academic ranks at FSU, we do not wish to stand in the way of potentially successful grant submissions.We recognize that in some areas of the University, job codes/job code descriptions/titles do not properly reflect the true teaching or research status of the employee.***\**** *The department chair/director and/or dean shall make the determination as to whether individuals in these job codes have the appropriate qualifications and job responsibilities to serve as a PI or Co-PI.*If allowed by the sponsoring agency certain exceptions to the above policy may be made (e.g., **Emeritus, adjunct, research associates, masters and doctoral candidates, visiting**, **College of Medicine clerkship faculty,** etc.) with the approval of the chair/director, dean, and the approval of the Vice President for Research.**In ALL cases, by submitting the proposal electronically through RAMP Grants, the department head/chair and/or dean (or designees) certify that they approve the eligibility of the principal investigator.**Proposals are initiated by faculty who will be performing the respective research or education program, but are submitted to the intended funding agency in the name of Florida State University on behalf of the principal investigator. Grants or contracts, if awarded, are made to the University and not to the individual. **It is, therefore, a requirement that the proposal prepared by the investigator be submitted under the signature of the duly authorized University official, FSU's Vice President for Research.**There are several internal FSU funding programs (e.g. CRC programs) and numerous external funding programs traditionally available to FSU faculty. It is the desire of the Office of the Vice President for Research, Sponsored Research Administration, and the FSU Research Foundation, that ALL proposals, whether internal or external, bring extramural funding to FSU. It is from our recovery of indirect costs associated with most extramural funding that Sponsored Research & Development (SRAD) dollars accumulate for distribution to various entities at FSU in support of research programs.FAMU-FSU College of Engineering faculty members may apply for FSU SRAD-supported programs, such as CRC, **if** the principal investigator is FSU-paid. For proposals to external funding agencies, faculty in the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering should review the procedures specific to their college.Therefore, simply stated, if you work at FSU, are paid by FSU, and are likely considered eligible to apply for grants by an external funding agency, then we encourage you to do so through the Office of the VP Research for CRC programs and through Sponsored Research Administration (SRA) or FSU Research Foundation (FSURF) for all other funding agencies.We want to help you be successful in your efforts to attract funding for your research and creative activity. If your chair and dean, or equivalent entities, are in support of your proposal and thus sign off on your proposal, we welcome the opportunity to assist you.Send comments or questions to SRA-Pre@fsu.edu. |
| III. | LEGAL SUPPORT, JUSTIFICATION, AND REVIEW OF THIS POLICY |
|  | Fla. Stat. 1004.22.This policy will be reviewed periodically and updated when changes are necessary. |
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|  | /s/ Gary K. Ostrander |  |  |  |
|  |  [Proof of approval retained in file] |  |  |  |