Jackson State University announces Call for Applications for the Center of Undergraduate Research 2014-2015 Faculty Advisors. The Center is funded by the Federal HBCU-SAfra Title III grant and promotes undergraduate research and offers assistance to twenty faculty advisors to work with a total of 100 undergraduate students on research during the academic year within the Colleges across the University.

While we cannot provide a stipend with funds from the HBCU SAFRA Title III grant, the following options are available to faculty advisors for the period of the contract:

**Options**

1. **Release time from teaching** in an amount not to exceed the salary budgeted in the approved grant application for each faculty member. This release from courses must be approved by the department chair and college dean.

2. **Research support in the form of a summer salary** to continue research efforts which began during the academic year. Summer salary in combination with any other source cannot exceed three ninths of your academic year base salary.

3. **Travel support to present at a national conference.** Please note that student travel is not allowed.

The application must include all requested information for you to be considered as a faculty advisor under the HBCU-SAfra TITLE-III grant. The application process includes submitting letters of support from your College Dean and Department Chair which indicate that you have selected at least one of the options listed above, a personal profile about yourself, a personal statement, description of your research project, and a listing of prospective student researchers. All faculty researchers are expected to participate in the Annual Undergraduate Research Conference and present the findings of the faculty and student researchers.

The application deadline is June 20, 2014. All application materials must be submitted by the deadline to Mrs. Edna Caston in Undergraduate Studies located in the Charles F. Moore Building, Room 101. If you have questions, please contact me at 601-979-0839 or email at edna.e.caston@jsums.edu.

Thank you again for your interest in the Center for Undergraduate Research.

Sincerely,

Edna E. Caston
Retention Researcher
SUPPORTING MATERIALS

LETTER
The options listed below are available to faculty advisors for the period of the contract in conjunction with written agreement from the College Dean and Chair of the respective department.

Please indicate in your letter the option(s) that you select and the kind of support that your college or department will provide to support the options offered from the Center for Undergraduate Research (CUR). Please attach an official letter from your department chair or dean of your college stating the option selected.

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FACULTY ADVISOR PROFILE
Please complete the faculty advisor profile sheet that requires contact information for our office files.

STUDENT RESEARCHERS
Please complete the information on prospective student researchers for your research project.

PERSONAL STATEMENT
Please provide a personal statement of one page in length describing your experience and interest in undergraduate research to be included with your application.

DESCRIPTION OF RESEARCH PROJECT
Please provide a one page description of the proposed research project. This should include the main research area and two or more possible questions or topics to explore in that area. Also indicate how this research will serve as a catalyst for strengthening undergraduate education in your professional discipline. This one page description should be included with your application.

The application deadline is May 30, 2014. All application materials must be provided by the deadline to Undergraduate Studies located in Charles F. Moore Building, Room 113.
FirstName ___________________________ Last Name ___________________________

Address ______________________________________________________________________

City __________________________ State ___________ Zip __________________________

Phone __________________________ Email address ________________________________

College __________________________ Department _____________________________

Position (Check all that apply)
Non-Tenure-Track ______ Tenure-Track ______ Tenured ______ Instructor ______
Assistant Professor ______ Associate Professor ______ Full Professor ______
Other ________________________________

Education (Check all that apply)

Highest Degree Earned ___________ Year _________ Institution awarding degree
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Number of years at JSU ________________________________

Current Research Area ________________________________

How many undergraduates have you done research with in the past?

0 ___ 1-2 ___ 3-4 ___ 5-6 ___ 7+ ______
JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH (CUR)

AN HBCU-SAFRA TITTLE III GRANT PROJECT

2014-2015 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCHERS

CUR Faculty Participant (name) ________________________________

1. First Name ____________________ Last Name __________________________
   Ethnicity ____________________ Graduation Date _________________________
   Male _____  Female _____  Major _________ Classification ________________

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