Jackson State University announces a Call for Applications for the Center of Undergraduate Research 2015-2016 Faculty Research Advisors. The Center is funded by the Federal HBCU-SAFRA Title III grant and promotes undergraduate research and provides assistance to twenty faculty advisors to work with a total of 100 undergraduate students on research during the academic year.

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 also the 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 agree to the Scope of Services listed below:

1. Participate in all Center for Undergraduate Research (CUR) activities for the duration of the fellowship (AY 2015-2016).
2. Participate in the Pre and Post Assessment activities, including special requests for information.
3. Provide all required documentation (Monthly Time and Effort and Monthly Reports) by the requested due date.
4. Mentor five or more students and prepare them to present your research project during the annual spring conference held April, 2016; solicit opportunities for them to compete and or present the research project at other conferences.

5. Submit for publication the research project paper as indicated in the application at the completion of the fellowship by September 30, 2015.

6. Assist in planning the 2016 Annual Research Conference.

The application deadline is June 25, 2015. 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.
SUPPORTING MATERIALS

LETTERS
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 letters 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 and also one from the 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.

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Faculty Advisor Profile

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 Highest Degree Earned _______Year _______Institution awarding
degree ______________________________________________________________

Number of years at JSU _____________________________________

Current Research Area ________________________________________________

How many undergraduates have worked with you on your research projects in the past?

0 ____ 1-2 ____ 3-4 ____ 5-6____ 7+ ______
CUR Faculty Participant (name)_________________________________

1. First Name ______________ Last Name ________________________________
   Ethnicity __________________ Graduation Date ___________________________
   Male _____   Female _____   Major ______    Classification ______________

2. First Name ______________ Last Name ________________________________
   Ethnicity __________________ Graduation Date ___________________________
   Male _____   Female _____   Major ______    Classification ______________

3. First Name ______________ Last Name ________________________________
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   Ethnicity __________________ Graduation Date ___________________________
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