



**Lupus Foundation of Florida
&
University of Central Florida College of Nursing
Martha Manuel Emerson Investigator Award**

GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The Lupus Foundation of Florida (LFF) is now accepting applications for its 2015 LFF-UCF College of Nursing Martha Manuel Emerson Investigator Award. The purpose of the grant is to advance lupus-related research by nurses.

Area of Research:

The research topic must be relevant, but not limited, to lupus. For example, the project may involve participants with lupus or the research question may address some aspect of autoimmunity and/or chronic illness.

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must be either (1) a currently enrolled UCF College of Nursing undergraduate or graduate student (master, doctoral or post-doctoral) in good academic standing or (2) current College of Nursing faculty member.

Research Funding:

Funding up to \$1,000 is available. Allocation is based upon the applicant's research budget. Applicants must be ready to implement the research project when funding is received.

Application Deadline:

Applicants must submit a completed application and research agreement with electronic signature via e-mail to LFF.UCFlupusgrant@gmail.com by 5 PM on February 6, 2015.

Award Notification:

The recipient will be notified no later than March 16, 2015. The grant will be presented during the LFF's Annual Lupus Awareness Seminar on April 18, 2015 at Leu Gardens, Orlando.

LFF-UCF College of Nursing Research Grant Application

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CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. The research must be conducted in the United States.
2. A final report on the research conducted must be submitted to the Lupus Foundation of Florida. (LFF) upon completion of the research project.
3. All publications resulting from funded research must include the Lupus Foundation of Florida in a footnote or credit line and a copy of such publications must be provided to the Foundation. All publicity and information disseminated about such research must acknowledge LFF support.
4. The recipient of the award must certify that any research will be conducted according to the rules and regulations of the United States Department of Health and Human Services. The recipient must agree to hold LFF harmless from any and all claims, which may arise from such research.
5. All work involving human participants must show documented compliance with NIH guidelines for human participants as provided by the UCF IRB. All work involving animal experimentation should comply with NIH guidelines for care and use of laboratory animals.
6. The award is one time only. If the applicant desires further assistance, a new application must be submitted at such time as additional funding may be available.
7. The award payment will be made to the researcher.

METHODS AND CRITERIA OF EVALUATION

All applications will be reviewed and ranked by the Board of the LFF and its Education Chairman or his/her delegated representative.

Each proposal will be reviewed using the following criteria:

1. Past performance and competence of applicant/student's faculty supervisor to undertake the project.
2. The originality and timeliness of the project.

4. The project plan including the design and methods, feasibility, relevance to lupus, and appropriateness of budget.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION

A complete application must be submitted, including the following:

- _____ 1. **Application Form**
- _____ 2. **Description of Research Project.** Total text should not exceed four pages on one side of the page only, single-spaced, 12-pt Arial or Times Roman font, with one-inch margins, excluding references. All pages in excess of four (excluding references) will be disregarded. Description of research project should include:
 - a) Title of Project
 - b) Purpose and aims
 - b) Background, including preliminary studies, if any
 - c) Theoretical/conceptual framework
 - d) Methodology
 - d) Significance
 - e) Literature cited (references not included in four page narrative limit)
- _____ 3. **Budget.** Use included form. (Non-allowable expenses include: tuition and laboratory fees leading to an academic degree; subscriptions, book purchases or organizational dues; registration fees for professional meetings; payment of malpractice premiums; travel expenses not directly related to implementation of the research project; and salary for the principal investigator.)
- _____ 4. **Timeline**
- _____ 5. **Statement of Concurrent Support** should be included in the application to avoid duplication of funding.
- _____ 6. **For student applicants only: Statement by Sponsor** (Use included form.)
- _____ 7. **Research Agreement**
- _____ 8. **Addenda**
 - a) **Curriculum Vitae of Applicant**
 - b) **For student applicants only: Curriculum Vitae of Supervisor** (NIH biographical sketch may be substituted)
 - c) **UCF IRB Approval Form** must be submitted with application if human participants and/or animals are involved in the research project

Email questions to: LFFEmersonGrant@gmail.com

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APPLICATION FORM**

Applicant/Principal Investigator:

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last):

Academic Degree:

Current academic status (check one):

Undergraduate Graduate MSN PhD DNP Faculty:

Applicant's Address:

Street 1:

Street 2:

City: State: Zip:

Phone: Fax:

Email:

Supervisor's Name (for student applicants only):

Supervisor's Address:

Street 1:

Street 2:

City: State: Zip:

Phone: Fax:

Email:

Title of Project

Will human or animal subjects be involved in the research project? Yes No
If yes, include appropriate human IRB or animal IRB forms.

ABSTRACT (100 words or less, single spaced):

DESCRIPTION OF RESEARCH PROJECT (Total pages not to exceed, excluding references, on one side of the page only, single-spaced, 12-pt Arial or Times Roman font, with one inch margins. All pages in excess of four will be disregarded.)

BUDGET

ITEM	AMOUNT
Personnel (Special services from individuals may be budgeted, provided the costs and circumstances are fully described. This may include such things as consultation with a statistician, working with an interpreter, or paying for data entry work. The principal investigator is not permitted to receive a personal salary from grant funds.)	
Supplies & Equipment (Equipment that is reusable may be budgeted excluding computers and related hardware such as printers and scanners.)	
Publishing and Presentation (The costs of preparing findings for publication and/or presentation, e.g., submission fees, posters, slides, etc., may not exceed \$200.)	
Travel (Only travel costs incurred in conducting the study are allowable.)	
Other	
TOTAL	

TIMELINE

Briefly describe projected timeline of research project.

SPONSOR STATEMENT

Name of Applicant:

Name of Sponsor and Title:

A. Provide an explanation of the training and project plans for the applicant and indicate the research facilities available to the student. Include information that will help to evaluate the applicant and the proposed training.

B. Comment on applicant's qualifications:

RESEARCH AGREEMENT

Terms of Award

I agree to each of the following as a condition of receiving this award:

1. Conduct the study in a scientifically sound manner.
2. Use awarded funds only for this project and return to the Lupus Foundation of Florida (LFF) any unused funds.
3. Complete the study according to the proposed timeline and notify the LFF of any deviations.
4. Decline duplicate funding.
5. Submit a final report of the project including a record of expended funds within 12 months following the completion of the project.
6. Authorize publication of the abstract in the LFF newsletters and on its website.
7. Acknowledge LFF support in all presentations and publications related to the project.
8. Provide a copy of any publications resulting from the project to the Director of the LFF.

Signature:

Date:

ADDENDA

Attach:

- a) **Curriculum Vitae of Applicant**
- b) **For student applicants only: Curriculum Vitae of Supervisor** (NIH biographical sketch may be substituted)
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