



CALL FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS AY 2019-2020

The **RCSSED Research Grant Project (RRGP)** is UST's strategic initiative to encourage and support distinguished faculty members to conduct basic, applied, creative, or trailblazing academic/scientific research in the fields of Social Sciences, and Education under the Office of the Vice Rector for Research and Innovation's (OVRRRI) **Thomasian Research Excellence and Engagements (TREE) Program**.

ELIGIBILITY

RRGP is open to all Thomasian faculty members who are:

1. **Tenured**
2. **With at least a Master's degree**

** Non-tenured faculty in the tenured track may apply as a researcher if they have a research track record and upon the recommendation of their respective Dean.*

RESEARCH INTEREST GROUPS (RIG)

RRGP is composed of research interest groups (RIG) headed by a *RIG Leader*. Identified *RIG Leaders* plans and spearheads RIG's activities and monitor the research project under their interest group.

Social Science

- Business Studies
- Community-Engaged Studies
- Language Studies
- * Life Course and Intergenerational Studies
- * Psychology Studies
- * Politics and Public Policy
- * Social Health Studies
- * Studies on Church and Social Issues
- * Sustainability Studies

Education

- Educational and Leadership Studies
(including transnational education, Shadow Education, Teacher Education, Studies on K to 12, academe-industry partnership)

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION

Applicants should prepare three requirements:

1. A **letter of intent** endorsed by the Dean and noted by the Department Chair/Disciplinary Coordinator. The letter should clearly stipulate disciplinary background, research interest, intended RIG to work under, and rationale on how RCSSED may assist the applicant in pursuing a research career in the university.
2. **Curriculum Vitae** (please use RCSSED format/template)
3. A **full-blown Research Proposal** using the RCSSED Research Proposal Template:

**Templates for Research Proposal and Curriculum Vitae are available at the RCSSED office and website (<http://rcssed.ust.edu.ph/>)*

RRGP GUIDELINES

1. Applicants are expected to prepare the three requirements and secure the necessary endorsement from the Dean with the knowledge of the Department Chair/Disciplinary Coordinator.
2. Application documents should be in two formats—print and electronic versions.
3. Applicants are encouraged to personally submit application documents to the RCSSED office on or before the submission dates. Make sure to prepare a duplicate copy to serve as the applicant's receiving copy for documentation purposes.
4. Submitted applications will be evaluated by the RCSSED director and the RRGP Evaluation Board for enhancement.
5. Applicants will be notified of the decision of the RRGP Evaluation Board as soon as evaluation is completed.

EVALUATION AND ENHANCEMENT PROCESS

1. The competitive evaluation of eligible proposals will be undertaken by the RRGP Evaluation Board comprising of designated disciplinary leads, one research expert and another content expert, identified by RCSSED. Should there be no UST-based expert on the field, assistance from an external reviewer will be sought.
2. Review criteria includes:
 - a. **Academic significance** of the project contributes to the applicant's disciplinary expertise as this has potential to advance his/her professional development specifically in the realm of research career, engagement, and excellence.
 - b. **Quality of the proposal** reflects the applicant's deep knowledge and disciplinary familiarity with the proposed research focus, methods, theories, procedures, and implications.
 - c. **Intended outcomes** of the proposal are clear, sufficient, and feasible.
 - d. **Budget allocation** is appropriate to the proposed project.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURES

Proposals and requirements are to be submitted (*print and electronic versions*) to the RCSSED office addressed to:

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Submission of all application documents | On or before April 23, 2019 |
| Research Proposal Evaluation | Until May 6, 2019 |
| Notice of Acceptance | May 20, 2019 |

FOR FURTHER INQUIRIES: Visit our RCSSED WEBSITE <http://rcssed.ust.edu.ph>

EMAIL us at rcssed.ust@gmail.com

or call Ms. Maricar Santos or Ms. Billie Mejorada at Direct line: 7313535 or 406-1611 local 4040