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02066-2021-2022 Student, Engagement, Retention, and Success

Student Engagement Retention and Success
Application Deadline: 03/25/2021 11:59 PM

Award Amount Range:	$0.00 - $50,000.00	**Program Officer:**	Josh Koller
Project Start Date:	07/01/2021	**Phone:**	615-366-3920 x
Project End Date:	06/30/2022	**Email:**	**Josh.Koller@tbr.edu**
Award Announcement Date:	04/12/2021		

Description

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Please read this description before completing the application. There is a sample Word Doc Application at the bottom of this description.

SERS grants are available for new or existing services or programs that target underserved student populations; including, but not limited to, students of color, low-income students, adults, veterans, students with disabilities, as well as programs intended to address a lack of gender diversity by discipline or academic program. The grant programs should align with and/or support the campus or system's overarching equity, diversity, and inclusion goal(s) as well as the goals and objectives identified in any campus or system operational plans (i.e. Equity Plan, Achieving the Dream plan, SEM plan, and/or student completion plan.)

Applications are being sought for programs or projects that:

- further the institution's equity, diversity, and inclusion initiatives;
- have the potential to significantly increase and/or impact access levels;
- have the potential to significantly impact campus climate, closure of equity gaps in retention, graduation, or other metrics;

The grant period will be from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 and the maximum funding is $50,000.

Eligibility

Programs that currently receive funding through A&D block grants or through an existing SERS grants are not eligible for consideration.

These grants are intended to allow for the implementation of new or innovative means and methods to enhance interventions outside of the classroom that directly impact targeted populations. These grants are not intended to fund curriculum or pedagogy based projects.

Applications should be intentional in addressing a specific issue (or issues) impacting a specifically targeted group or groups of students (see the description above for examples). Applications that are broad in reach or scope are not likely to be funded.

Sustainability

Program proposals must include sustainability plans. Grants are designed to provide short-term funds to augment or supplement campus funding (non-A&D funding) for campus services or programs – not to substitute for ongoing funding from the institution. It is expected that programs with promising or successful outcomes will be scaled up, where appropriate, and will be eligible for institutional funding to ensure sustainability.

Funding Information

Ineligible costs include:

- Purchase of furniture, equipment, or software that does not primarily benefit current year program participants;
- Speaker fees or honorariums, unless such fees are part of a broader workshop/seminar or training program;
- Scholarships and tuition/maintenance fee costs;
- Funds for campus personnel, unless specifically authorized in the grant award notice.
- Costs to supplement salaries or operating budgets from existing programs.

Indirect costs, while not prohibited, are discouraged. Including indirect costs will make the application less competitive as the grant funds are intended to directly influence student success, engagement, and retention.

Submission Requirements

Application Deadline: All proposal applications must be completed via the TBR Webgrants System by March 25, 2021.

Legal Review: All proposed applications that are race or gender-specific or that consider race or gender when determining eligibility for participation must undergo legal review. TBR institutions should submit proposed applications to the TBR Office of General Counsel (OGC). Drafts of applications to be reviewed by the TBR OGC must be submitted by close of business on March 10, 2021 by email to the assigned campus attorney on the OGC staff. The subject line of the email should read: "SERS Grant Legal Review." LGI proposers should follow guidance from their General Counsel office regarding review of applications.

Third Party Contracts: If the grant proposal is contingent on contracting with a 3rd party to provide goods or services a copy of the draft contract must be included with the proposal. Grant approval will be contingent upon full execution of the contract prior to the time the goods/services were anticipated to be delivered in the proposal timeline. Failure to comply with the contract requirements in a timely manner, may result in the grant being rescinded, and any funds paid to the grantee should be returned.

Miscellaneous Requirements

The lead institution must be a TBR community college, TN College of Applied Technology or TN Locally Governed Institution.

An individual may serve as the project director for only one awarded grant in a given year.

Awards and Notifications

Notice of award decisions will be made by April 12, 2021.

Post-Award Requirements

Non-compliance with any post-award requirements may result in withholding of additional funds and denial of future grant applications.

Program revisions: Any proposed changes to the scope of services, targeted group(s), project manager or project timeline must be submitted via TBR Webgrants (Amendment Request for Approval form). Substantive changes may result in reduced funding or revocation of program approval.

Budget revisions: Reallocations between line items of less than $2,000.00 may be made at the discretion of the institution but must be reflected in the mid-term or final report budget. Prior approval is required for budget reallocations between line items of $2,000.00 or more. Requests must be submitted using the Amendment Request Form via TBR Webgrants.

Extensions: Requests for extensions must be submitted using the Amendment Request Form via TBR Webgrants no later than April 30, 2022. Requests for extensions beyond the end of the fiscal year are not typically approved.

Mid-Year Report: A mid-year report is due on February 1, 2022 and must be submitted via the mid-year report form under status reports in TBR Webgrants.

Final Report: A final report must be submitted by September 2, 2022 via the final report form under status reports in TBR Webgrants. The final payment installment will reflect payment for outstanding actual expenditures.

Disbursement of funds

Institutions will receive grant funds in three (3) installments:

- 1/3 (one-third) of the grant total will be transferred in July 2021;
- 1/3 (one-third) of the project costs will be transferred upon receipt and acceptance of the February 1, 2022 mid-term project report (see Post-Award Requirements);
- Remaining actual expenditures will be reimbursed after receipt and acceptance of the September 2, 2022 final report (see Post-Award Requirements).

Attachments

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Description	File Name	File Size
SERS FY22 Sample Application	**SERS_fy22_sampleapp.docx**	24 KB
Walk through guide from 2019-2020	**webgrants walkthrough guide ay2020.pdf**	1012 KB

Website Links

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https://www.tbr.edu/oesi/student-engagement-retention-and-success-initiative-sers-instructions-and-information	TBR Office of Organizational Effectiveness