** THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI**

**CENTER FOR UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH**

**Drapeau Summer Research Grants Program**

**STUDENT APPLICATION**

*The Drapeau Summer Research Grants Program provides funding for a student-mentor team to address a scholarly question through independent research and creative activity on a full-time basis during the summer semester.*

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| Student’s Name |  |
| Student ID Number |  |
| Email Address | @usm.edu |
| Home Address |  |
| Declared Major(s) |  |
| Minor(s), Concentration, Certificate Programs |  |
| Projected  Graduation Date |  |
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| **Project Title** |  |
| Mentor’s Name |  |
| Mentor’s Email |  |

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| Are you participating in: | \_\_\_\_ Honors College \_\_\_\_ McNair Program \_\_\_\_ Departmental thesis \_\_\_\_ None |

**Student Agreement**

*By typing your name below, you are indicating your commitment to the following statements:*

* I understand that the Southern Miss Drapeau Center for Undergraduate Research and the Drapeau Summer Research Grants subcommittee will review this proposal, my student transcript, and GPA as available on SOAR.
* I agree to make satisfactory progress on my scholarly project and expend at least 40 hours per week for a total of 8 weeks over the course of the summer in which the research is being conducted.
* I will not be enrolled in other classes nor obtain outside employment during the weeks in which the research is being conducted.
* I will submit a two page report discussing the outcome of the project, a summary of how funding was spent, and a mentor evaluation to the DCUR by the September 15 following completion of the project.
* I will present the results of my project at the next Southern Miss Undergraduate Symposium on Research and Creative Activity held after the completion of the proposed project, if I am still enrolled at the university.
* I will provide a copy of the final product of my research (report, paper/poster/publication) to DCUR so that it may be posted to Aquila.
* I will use the funds consistent with my budget and bring any significant change to the attention of the DCUR for approval.
* I understand that acceptance of the funding support may affect my financial aid package.

Typed Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete the following individual sections of the proposal. Font must be of Times New Roman style and 12 pt in size. The written text must not exceed the box size as originally allotted.**

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| **Short Cover Letter (approximately 250 words):** *Why are you interested in this project?*  Provide a personal statement to the reviewers on the origin of the project, your personal goals and expectations, and the main project objectives. List other sources of support for this project including any research funding provided by your mentor. |
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| **Introduction/Rationale (approximately 500 words):** *What is your project and why is it significant?*  What is your scholarly question (e.g., hypothesis)? Why is it particularly suited to the extensive focused experience research setting supported by the grant? Provide a discipline-specific context and rationale for the project. Cite appropriate research and/or creative literature using in-text citations. |
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| **Process (approximately 300 words):** *What will you do to complete your project?*  How will you answer your scholarly question? Describe the creative process, research design, and/or methods you will employ. Include a description of materials and equipment necessary to complete the project. |
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| **Expected Outcomes (approximately 150 words)**: *What will you produce? How will you disseminate your results to others in your field?*  Describe the anticipated outcomes, products and/or results of your project and how they will contribute to the scholarly community. |
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| **Timeline (approximately 150 words):** *How will you schedule your time?*  Provide a detailed plan for the time you plan to spend on specific phases of your project during the semester. |
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| **Budget:** How will these funds be spent?  Standard allocation is $1000 which is deposited in the faculty mentor’s developmental account. List each item to be purchased individually; do  not aggregate them. See guidelines for items approved for purchase. |
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| **Bibliography**  Include complete reference list of works cited and consulted in the style most appropriate to the discipline. |
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