CLASS GEAR Selection Criteria for 2015-16

CLASS has been allocated three slots for full applications to the Grants to Enhance and Advance Research (GEAR) program run by the Division of Research (DOR). The purpose of this program is to increase outside research funding to the University. All tenure track faculty in the College are eligible to apply.

The process is that an abbreviated proposal, a pre-proposal, is submitted to the College. The narrative of the pre-proposal is two pages, see the guidelines below for the appropriate format and additional materials. From the pre-proposals, we will select the three projects which will be invited to submit full proposals to the DOR.

The program rules, forms, and procedures are available at:

http://www.uh.edu/research/research-dev/funding-ops/internal-awards/gear/

Pre-proposals according to the guidelines available above are due by Jan 29, 2015 at 5pm. Submit your complete pre-proposal by e-mail in pdf format to abencomo@Central.UH.EDU by 5pm on Jan 29. The Associate Dean for Research, Anadeli Bencomo, with the assistance of the CLASS Research Committee, will select the three CLASS GEAR projects which will be invited to submit full proposals. The selection process will be completed by Feb. 12.

The criteria we will use to select the projects for full proposals will include:

- 1. Projects most likely to result in the highest quality scholarly and/or artistic output.
- 2. Projects most likely to be awarded nationally competitive funding from outside sources. This is the goal of the program.
- 3. Projects for which UH GEAR funds are most needed to allow competition for national research funding.
- 4. Projects most likely to be competitive in the University GEAR competition.

If assistance is needed to identify outside sources of funding, please contact Angela Clifton at maclifton@uh.edu or at x33702. If more information is needed about GEAR, contact Anadeli Bencomo at abencomo@Central.UH.EDU, or at x37549.