When is the Grant Application Deadline?
Applications are due by the end of the day on November 13, 2015, and should be electronically submitted to Bob Jokisch at bjokisch@uwsa.edu. Late applications will not be considered.

What is the Minimum/Maximum Grant Funding Request?
The grant program is open to all UW System campuses and will provide awards of up to $50,000. Each institution may submit up to three applications and must decide if requested funding amounts are justifiable based on projected outcomes.

What are the Grant Program Goals?
Regent Scholar Grants will be available for faculty, along with undergraduate students and other collaborative partners, who engage in projects that reflect innovative, collaborative or entrepreneurial ideas, with the following goals in mind:

1. Providing summer funding support for faculty to engage in research and other scholarly activities;
2. Promoting stellar research experiences for undergraduate students, thus preparing a high-quality workforce;
3. Stimulating research across UW System campuses, ultimately driving regional economic development; and
4. Recognizing research and scholarly activity (URSCA) at the UW System Board of Regents level.

Applications may address one or more goals. There is no requirement to address all four goals.

Are Multiple Grant Applications Allowed?
Yes. Each institution may submit up to three applications.

Are there Specific Formatting Guidelines?
Font: Times New Roman, 12 point, double spaced. Applications may use different size fonts for section headings, titles, etc.

Citations and CVs: Applications may include citations or CVs (as necessary). These will not count toward any page limits. Citations may be included in footnotes, text, or on a separate page.

What is the Application Process?
Application Process and Requirements
Through a competitive process, Regent Scholar Grants will be available for faculty, undergraduate students, and other collaborative partners to explore entrepreneurial ideas and innovative projects that aim to expand the boundaries of knowledge, enhance research, stimulate new technologies, inspire start-up activity, fuel product development, better prepare the future workforce, and create or retain jobs in Wisconsin.

To be considered for funding, a proposal must complete all of the following application requirements outlined below. Selection committee members will evaluate each grant proposal and score it using a possible total of
100 points. Possible point totals for each application section are outlined below. Grants will be awarded based upon cumulative point totals.

To be considered, applicants must submit a cover page and a proposal narrative that includes the following:

1. **Cover Page.** Please use the form available on the grant application website.

2. **Abstract.** Maximum length: One double-spaced page, 12-point font.

3. **Description of the project and its innovativeness (35 points).** Maximum length: Three pages, double-spaced, 12-point font.

4. **Project significance and impact (30 points).** Maximum length: Three pages, double-spaced, 12-point font.

5. **Roles and responsibilities of faculty investigator and students (20 points).** Maximum length: One page, double-spaced, 12-point font.

6. **Detailed Budget and Budget Narrative (15 points).** Maximum length: Two pages.

**Budget Requirements and Guidelines**
The detailed budget narrative and spreadsheets should itemize proposed expenses, including salary, fringe benefits, student stipends, equipment, travel, and other eligible expenses. Funds may be used for many purposes, such as salaries, wages, fringe benefits, consultants, equipment, materials, supplies, and travel. It is expected that students will be compensated to a level that allows them to participate fully in the summer project. Indirect costs are not allowed. Funding is for FY 2016 and may be carried over to FY 2017 with approval from UW System.

**What is the Selection Process?**

**Selection Timeline**

1. For the 2015-2016, the application deadline will be end of day on **November 13**.

2. Applications will be reviewed internally by UW System to ensure completeness. Completed applications will be forwarded to the selection committee for review by **November 20**.

3. The selection committee will review and discuss (in-person and/or via teleconference) applications between **December 7 and December 11**.

4. The selection committee will make final award decisions **no later than December 17**.

5. UW System will distribute award funding to recipients beginning **in early January**.

**Selection Committee and Process**
The selection committee will include individuals from both the public and private sectors. One of the members will be a Regent or Regent Emeritus; two members will be employees of UW System; and three non-UW System members will be from Wisconsin businesses and organizations experienced with economic development, workforce development, STEM, and arts and humanities education. UW System will consult with the Legislature and Joint Committee on Finance to help determine selection committee members who reflect diverse economic and workforce needs.
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1. Description of the project and its innovativeness (35 points)
2. Project significance and impact (30 points)
3. Roles and responsibilities of faculty and students (20 points)
4. Detailed Budget and Budget Narrative (15 points)

Is there an Appeals Process?
No. All decisions by the Selection Committee will be final.

Will review comments from rejected proposals be made available?
No. Applicants will be informed of Selection Committee recommendations by electronic notification to the principal contact person. While no further information concerning the selection process or results will be made available, the Office of Economic Development, upon request, will work with applicants who seek additional suggestions and pathways for developing or expanding outreach and collaboration with partners to enrich the student learning experience.

May Grant Funding be carried over?
Funding is for FY 2016 and may be carried over to FY 2017. Submitted plans should indicate how and when the funds will be used, and these plans will be considered by the Selection Committee.

Are there any Fiscal Constraints?
The funding for the Regent Scholar Program for FY 2015-16 will come from Systemwide balances.

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Indirect costs are the only explicitly prohibited fiscal constraint. Applications must clearly demonstrate in the project description and budget narrative how funds will be used and how these activities will advance the stated objective of the program.

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What Fringe Benefit Rates should be used?
Please use the following UW System 2015-17 base fringe benefit rates.

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