Call for Applications (24/25 AY):
Assigned Time for Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities

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Program Overview: The Division of Research and Innovation (DRI) is pleased to announce a call for applications for Assigned Time for Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities (RSCA) for the 24/25 academic year. The purpose of this program is to provide faculty with much-needed time to ensure the successful commencement, continuation, or completion of research, scholarship, or creative activity projects at SDSU. Faculty can use the assigned time for completing a book, developing a new grant proposal, collecting pilot data for use in a research proposal, developing a performance, etc. DRI will fund up to three units of assigned time for the fall 2024 or spring 2025 semesters.

Eligibility:

- All SDSU tenured and tenure-track faculty that are scheduled to teach a minimum of SIX units in the fall 2024 or a minimum of SIX units in the spring 2025 semesters. Faculty with lower teaching loads are not eligible to apply.
- Faculty who apply to this assigned program are also eligible to apply to the team assigned time for RSCA program.

Furthermore, if you are receiving assigned time, DRI can distribute funding for assigned time but cannot allocate assigned time. Thus, Department Chairs/School Directors and College Deans will be making approvals for assigned time. Applicants must consult with their department chair or school director to discuss the request for assigned time before submitting an application.

RSCA Award Specifics: This program is intended to provide faculty with assigned time for RSCA for the fall 2024 or spring 2025 semesters. Unfortunately, assigned time for both semesters cannot be given. We expect to fund up to 45-50 applications depending on funding availability. Applications will be accepted via the InfoReady system. Please click HERE to submit your application.

Applications will include the following:

Project Plan and Description (up to 1000 words): Please provide a description of your project. The description should include your plans for the assigned time and how the assigned time will be utilized to achieve your research, scholarship, or creative activity goals. The description should also articulate how the project will advance your discipline or field of work.
Evidence of Current Scholarship (up to 500 words): Applications also need to include a summary highlighting past evidence (3-years) of discipline-specific research, scholarship or creative activities. This could include peer-reviewed publications, book(s), grants, presentations, or juried exhibitions or performances.

Application Review: Each college will first review and rank applications based on college-specific review criteria and priorities. The Division of Research and Innovation will then review the rankings provided by colleges and select the most meritorious proposals based on rankings and the funds available.

Reporting: Awardees are expected to provide a brief final report following the semester in which assigned time was granted. Reports are due January 31st, 2025 for those funded for fall 2024 and July 1st, 2025 for those funded for spring 2025. DRI will send report reminders via InfoReady to awardees at the end of the fall and spring semesters during the 24/25 academic year.

Timeline:

Application Portal Opens: 10/30/2023
Applications Due: 12/15/2023 @ 11:59 PM
College Reviews Due: 2/12/2024
Awards Announced on or before 2/19/2024

Please direct any questions about this program or application to facultyresearch@sdsu.edu, Division of Research and Innovation.