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I. Project and Author Information

This part of your submission should include all following sections. All the following sections should be submitted in ONE MS Word document. Please use Times New Roman, 12pt, double space.

Author Bios
Please provide the details for all authors in no more than 150 words for each.

Project Description
Project descriptions must include the following information.

• Title Page (1 Page)
  • Working title of your project
  • Lead Researchers
  • Co-Authors
  • Amount Requested
  • Abstract (200 words)

  • In this section, please provide a brief description on the purpose of your study, your research questions, research method, and expected outcome.

  • Press Paragraph (150 words)

  • In this section, please describe your study for use in our marketing materials. Think about how you want the media to report the content of your study.

• Introduction (1–3 pages)
  • A brief literature review on your research question

• Hypotheses (1-3 pages)
  • A brief elucidation of hypotheses and/or conceptual model

• Methodology (1-3 pages)
  • A description of your proposed methodology, including ample and approximate sample size, measurements to be used in the study and a description of how you intend to analyze your data (if applicable).

• Discussion (1-3 pages)
  • A discussion of how your work contributes to the literature (1-2 pages)
  • A brief elucidation of the practical implications/importance of your work (1 page)

• References (If applicable)
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• **Deliverables**
  • An abstract for an article or a presentation to be published/presented at the Fisher Leadership Initiative Academic Conference. This abstract can be merged with the project summary described in the following bullet points.
  • A summary of your study including: names and affiliations of all investigators, introduction and literature review, explanation of hypotheses and/or conceptual model, the methods used to evaluate hypotheses and/or model, analyses and results, discussion of findings and contribution to literature, proposed practical implications and/or importance of work
  • Reference list of all citations
  • What else can you commit to deliver by April 2020?
• **Outlets**
  • A specific delineation of the outlets the work will be submitted to (a list of possible outlets is acceptable), as well as any conferences to which the work will be submitted
  • We also ask you to acknowledge Fisher Leadership Initiative for the funding if the research is published
• **Budget & Description**
  • A detailed description on how you have planned your budget. Note that we will NOT pay for a salary for the investigators’ time.
• **Affirmation**
  • A signed statement affirming that the research will be in a sufficient state of completion to present at the Fisher Leadership Initiative Academic Conference on April 9th, 2020, and to submit to academic journals by fall 2020. We also ask you to acknowledge Fisher Leadership Initiative for the funding if the research is published.

• **Other Supporting Materials**
  The following materials can be submitted separately through the supporting material section:
  • Full CVs for all investigators in grant application
  • Supporting letter from department chair and/or from dean

III. Checklist

I have included with this application:
- Supporting letter from department chair
- Supporting letter from dean
- Applicant information and CVs for all individuals included in grant application
- Project & Author description
- Certification of compliance with deliverables and deadlines

Completed grant applications should be submitted to the Leadership Research Grant Submission Portal no later than 11:59 p.m. Friday, October 18th, 2019. Inquiries can be directed to Dr. Meng Li at li.8959@osu.edu. Grant awards will be announced by November 18th, 2019.

IV. Certification of Compliance with Deliverables and Deadlines

By submitting this application, I (principal investigator) certify that the statements and information provided are true to the best of my knowledge. Should I be selected for a leadership research grant, I agree that the award funds will be used only for the purpose reflected in my application. I hereby agree to submit all deliverables by March 15, 2020 to the Fisher Leadership Initiative and to attend the Fisher Leadership Initiative Academic Conference on April 9th, 2020.
Date: ____________________________ Signature: ____________________________

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