Graduate School and Research

2018-2019 Recurring Budget Requests

Western Carolina University

Recurring Budget Priorities

- $100,000 Graduate Assistantships

- $20,750 Sponsored Research Membership and Software Subscriptions

- $29,000 Graduate Student and Faculty Development

Graduate School & Research Recurring Budget Priority 1

- **$100,000 Graduate Assistantships (GAs)**
  - Our growing undergraduate enrollment increases need for instructional capacity that could be met with GAs
  - Funds ~10 additional assistantships for Fall and Spring semesters

Graduate School & Research Recurring Budget Priority 2

- **$20,750 Research Membership and Software Subscriptions**
  - Grants Resource Center ($8,800) Office of the Provost has paid this membership in the past
  - Foundation Directory Online ($1,300) single-user account that can be shared with faculty and staff (Hunter Library can no longer maintain the institutional subscription)
  - Institutional Review Board software (IRBNet) ($7,150) Office of the Provost has paid this subscription since 2016 for IRB compliance
  - Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) ($3,500) training ensures compliance with federal training requirements for IRB, IACUC, COI, Responsible Conduct of Research, and Institutional Biosafety

Graduate School & Research Recurring Budget Priority 3

- **$29,000 Graduate Student and Faculty Development**
  - Three recurring professional development events ($9,000)
    - 3 Minute Thesis (3MT) competition
    - Graduate Education Summit for graduate faculty development
    - Graduate Research Symposium for student professional development
  - Leadership development for Graduate Program Directors, Key Staff, and Graduate Faculty ($5,000)
  - Graduate Research Scholarly Grants ($15,000) small grants to support graduate students' independent scholarly and research endeavors