**Funding Opportunity: Southeastern Conference Visiting Faculty Travel Grant Program**

• **Sponsor:** Southeastern Conference Academic Consortium

• **Internal Deadline: May 24, 2024**

• **Eligibility:** Faculty

The Southeastern Conference (SEC) Visiting Faculty Travel Grant Program is intended to enhance faculty collaboration that stimulates scholarly initiatives between SEC universities. This initiative gives faculty from one SEC university the opportunity to travel to another SEC campus to: exchange ideas; develop grant proposals; conduct research; consult with faculty and/or students; offer lectures or symposia; or engage in whatever activities are agreeable to the visitor and host unit.

The University of Florida can select faculty members to receive 2024-2025 grants up to $2,500 each. Travel grant funds ***may not be*** used for non-travel-related expenses (e.g., books, supplies, computer software, honoraria, food for other than traveler, etc.), and it is not permissible to use funds for support/research staff.

Any use of the funds should be directly for the faculty member with the intent of lessening the financial burden of personal accommodations in travel (e.g., travel, lodging, per diem, etc.). Travel dates for these visits must be between ***August 1, 2024 and July 31, 2025***.

The faculty member will contact a host unit that he or she wishes to visit to determine that unit’s receptivity and availability. The selected faculty members will be responsible for arranging coverage of their duties during their absence. This requires Department Chair approval. After the visit, the faculty member will submit a brief report, the outcomes of the visit. This report is to be submitted online at the [Summary Report Link](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__app.smartsheet.com_b_form_963e38482cd14fb0b1b31551235de928&d=DwMFAg&c=sJ6xIWYx-zLMB3EPkvcnVg&r=Pn_rpw2LeoLb_MHsbVRwwg&m=WcTu07xEcMzBFytFtyuD_guGGC4mjfXqNczODkaJ_OQ&s=WP6_M08_1Cj4ZEdcF0OOsm4rAAv90jff5x32iZw8Uyc&e=) and sent to his or her Department Chair.

To be considered please submit the following electronically (in one PDF file) by May 24, 2024 [PVFA@aa.ufl.edu](mailto:%20PVFA@aa.ufl.edu)

Faculty member information:

1. Name

2. Title

3. College/Unit

4. Department

5. Email

6. Campus Address

7. Phone

8. Biography (no more than 125 words)

9. Budget Sheet - must conform to UF travel guidelines

• Host institution information including contact person at host institution

• Letter of invitation from the host unit (usually the relevant department chair) specifying the dates and the specific expectations of the faculty member

• Visit dates

• Anticipated activities while on visit

• Statement of the relevant benefits of visit for UF and host institution

• Brief letter of support from UF Department Chair which confirms the arrangement of

duty coverage and explains why the proposal would be of benefit to the department.

**Southeastern Conference Member Universities:** University of Alabama – Tuscaloosa, Alabama University of Arkansas – Fayetteville, Arkansas Auburn University – Auburn, Alabama

University of Florida – Gainesville, Florida University of Georgia – Athens, Georgia University of Kentucky – Lexington, Kentucky

Louisiana State University – Baton Rouge, Louisiana University of Mississippi (Ole Miss) – Oxford, Mississippi Mississippi State University – Starkville, Mississippi University of Missouri – Columbia, Missouri

University of South Carolina – Columbia, South Carolina

University of Tennessee – Knoxville, Tennessee Texas A&M University – College Station, Texas Vanderbilt University – Nashville, Tennessee