

FAU OURI College and Faculty Incentive Fund Pilot Program

The Office of Undergraduate Research and Inquiry (OURI) is pleased to offer the following College and Faculty Incentive programs for the Fall 22 – Spring 23 year.

- 1. RI Designation of courses:** between \$2,500-\$3,500 to full-time faculty within colleges for developing and receiving the [Research Intensive \(RI\) designation for courses at the undergraduate level](#). Priority will be given to required (non-elective) courses, lower division (1000 or 2000 level), Intellectual Foundations Program (IFP) courses, and those taught more than one semester per academic year. Funds will be disbursed in two installments: 1. Upon RI Designation approval by the faculty senate, and 2. once the course is taught as RI for the first time. Additional details provided on Pg. 2.
- 2. RI 5-year review incentive:** For every course that successfully completes the 5-year RI review process, \$500 will be awarded to Departments to support Undergraduate Research and Inquiry. N.B. All RI courses are also eligible for Graduate Research Consultants (GRCs) every time the course is taught as RI.
- 3. Departmental challenge for Undergraduate Research Certificate:** Up to \$10,000 to the top 3 departments with either the highest percentage of undergraduate students to receive the University-wide [FAU - Undergraduate Research Certificate](#) annually (minimum of 10 students with the certificate), or departments demonstrating the most improvements in this area. Efforts will be made to distribute fairly across colleges. The program will include students who receive the certificate during the following terms: Fall 22 and Spring 23. Percentages will be calculated based on the number of degree-seeking undergraduates per department (taken after drop/add in the appropriate semester).
- 4. The Faculty Incentive Fund for mentorship through DIR:** OURI *offers* \$500 in funding to faculty who mentor *undergraduates registered for Directed Independent Research. For DIR, priority will be given to FAU degree-seeking, lower classmen (freshmen and sophomores) and transfer students.* Faculty are eligible for one, \$500 award per semester. The program will include faculty mentoring students through DIR during the Fall 22, Spring 23 and Summer 23 (first ½) terms.
- 5. Spring 2023 Faculty Learning Community on Integrating Research Intensive activities into large lecture classes (>50 students).** OURI offers \$1,500 to 10 faculty members to participate in bi-weekly discussions on topics related to best practices of integrating research-intensive activities into large lecture classes. At the end of the FLC, faculty will create a best-practice resource for wide distribution and be encouraged to apply for RI designation. Additional information about the FLC and application can be found [here](#).

Support for Creating RI Designation courses (Item 1 above) – Additional details

OURI is soliciting full-time faculty interested in revising courses to infuse undergraduate research and inquiry at the intensive level towards Research Intensive (RI) designation. The Undergraduate Research Curriculum Committee’s formal guidelines for Research Intensive Course Designation. Guidelines can be found here: [urcc-document-10-29-15-final.pdf \(fau.edu\)](http://www.fau.edu/ourc-document-10-29-15-final.pdf) For more information on the RI Designation submission process please visit http://www.fau.edu/ourc/RI_designation.php.

Categories and Funding Levels:

Category	Description	Funding/Support	Milestones	Process
RI Designation for Upper division courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any upper division course. Course must satisfy the criteria for Research Intensive Designation and Syllabi must reflect the RI nature of the course urcc-document-10-29-15-final.pdf (fau.edu) 	Up to \$2,500 with add'l support from the GRC/CEE program once the course is RI designated Support for Faculty Teaching RI Courses Florida Atlantic University (fau.edu)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of upper division course for RI designation by the State –\$1,250 First time course is taught as RI: up to \$1,250 (enrollment based) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with your OURI Faculty Liaisons Florida Atlantic University (fau.edu) to express interest and work with them to re-design course and syllabus Submit your syllabus for RI designation (FAU - RI and DIR Designation Courses) for URCC review
RI Designation for core lower division or IFP Courses with enrollment <50 students.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Education (IFP) courses or lower division (core) courses with enrollment <50 students Course must satisfy the criteria for Research Intensive Designation and Syllabi must reflect the RI nature of the course urcc-document-10-29-15-final.pdf (fau.edu) 	Up to \$2,500 with add'l support from the GRC/CEE program once the course is RI designated Support for Faculty Teaching RI Courses Florida Atlantic University (fau.edu)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of IFP/lower division course for RI designation by the State – \$1,250 First time course is taught as RI: up to \$1,250 (enrollment based) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with your OURI Faculty Liaisons Florida Atlantic University (fau.edu) to express interest and work with them to re-design course and syllabus Submit your syllabus for RI designation (FAU - RI and DIR Designation Courses) for URCC review
RI Designation for core lower division or IFP Courses with enrollment >50 students.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Education (IFP) courses or lower division (core) courses with enrollment >50 students Course and syllabi must satisfy the criteria for Research Intensive Designation and Syllabi must reflect the RI nature of the course URCC Document 10-29-15- FINAL.pdf (fau.edu) 	Up to \$3,500 with add'l support from the GRC/CEE program once the course is RI designated FAU - Support for Faculty Teaching RI Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of IFP/lower division course for RI designation by the State – \$1,750 First time course is taught as RI Spring ideally: up to \$1,750 (enrollment based) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consult with your OURI Faculty Liaisons Florida Atlantic University (fau.edu) to express interest and work with them to re-design course and syllabus Submit your syllabus for RI designation (FAU - RI and DIR Designation Courses) for URCC review

Funding will be allocated based availability. All funds will be transferred to the department/college/academic unit for disbursement. Funds can be used for additional compensation to faculty, materials and supplies, conference travel, publication costs and discipline specific society fees. No additional funds can be released to an academic unit until the milestones are fulfilled.