

FRD Evaluation Criteria

1. Potential for External Competitiveness and Impact (50 points maximum)

Significance and novelty of the research or creative activity (10 points)

Clarity and feasibility of the stated goals, objectives, and proposed methods (10 points)

Rationale for internal investment, including alignment with institutional priorities and potential return on investment (20 points)

Likelihood of leading to a competitive external grant proposal or other externally funded opportunity (10 points)

2. Investigator and Team Capacity (50 points maximum)

Qualifications, expertise, and relevant track record in relation to the proposed work (20 points)

Recent scholarly productivity and evidence of active grant-seeking efforts relative to the career stage of the applicant (15 points)

For established investigators: previous success in obtaining external funds or, for new investigators: potential for future competitiveness in obtaining external funds after FRD support (15 points)