Thesis Proposal

BUILDing SCHOLARS (BUILD) is designed to provide mentorship and training to student researchers for careers as biomedical research scientists. One activity designed to meet this goal is the development and completion of a senior undergraduate honors thesis. Potential areas of student research include addiction, cancer, degenerative and chronic diseases, environmental health, health disparities, infectious diseases, and translational biomedicine.

Requirements

Please complete this proposal plan and submit it to buildingscholars@utep.edu with a subject line of "Thesis Proposal: [Student's Last Name]".

Student Name:

BUILD ID:

Mentor Name:

Project Title:

Brief description of the project (*not to exceed 250 words)*. This should include research aims and why the aims are significant and innovative.

Timeline: Provide a timeline for the senior thesis project using August [of your senior year] as a start date and May [of your senior year] as an end date.

Proposed Budget: A maximum of up to $800 will be awarded per BUILD student during his/her senior year.

Allowable and Unallowable Expenses: Your mentor is responsible for ordering the research supplies by creating a "cart" in Miner Mall. The cart will be routed to Yoliet Vela-Garcia, BUILDing SCHOLARS Administrative Assistant, and approved by Dr. Thomas Boland. Your mentor is responsible for learning how to create a cart in Miner Mall.

Expenses in Mineral Mall are considered either "allowable or "unallowable." Below are examples of commonly requested expenditures:

Conference travel: Conference travel can be requested online and should not be included here.

Food: BUILD is not allowed to use grant dollars on expenses associated with food or meal purchases.

Professional membership: BUILD is not allowed to use grant dollars to pay for student membership in a professional organization.

Office Supplies: BUILD funds cannot be used to purchase office supplies.

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Budget Justification: Provide a brief justification for each requested line item in the budget. Mentors may request changes to the budget if necessary.

Data and Methods/Scope of Work: Describe the exact nature of the work to be done and specify the needed research materials to be used in 400 words or less.

Final Note: If humans and/or animal subjects are utilized, appropriate IRB and/or IACUC approval must be received by BUILD before funds may be utilized.

Checklist

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