



## Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities Program (RSCA) 2024-2025 Academic Year

Chancellor Garcia has approved the research, scholarly and creative activities (RSCA) award program for faculty for the 2024-2025 academic year. Allocations were based on reported fall 2023 full-time equivalent faculty with the goal of supporting research, scholarly, and creative activity.

### General Information

All members of Unit 3 - Faculty, Librarians, Coaches, and Counselors are eligible to compete for funding from this program. Projects may include support for activities such as research studies; writing scholarly papers, textbooks, or monographs; travel to archives or professional conferences; development of pilot studies; collection of preliminary data for grant proposals; participant incentives; recitals, performances, or exhibitions; and participation in clinical or professional workshops, etc.

*Note: Please see attached scoring criteria which has been changed from previous years.*

RSCA awards are intended as one-time grants, not as a sole or continuing source of support for a particular line of professional activity. Higher priority will be given to:

- Individuals who have not received RSCA funding in the past three years (*note* - those who have received awards in the last three years will only be funded if there is sufficient funding for all other applicants and/or if there is alternative funding available);
- Probationary, tenure track faculty at critical stages of their careers, during which research support is essential;

RSCA funds may not be used for release time or overload pay during the academic year.

Please note that all RSCA grant funds awarded are Office of Research & Sponsored Programs (Stateside) funds and awardees are responsible to ensure that funds are spent by *September 30, 2025*. Funds not expended by this date are forfeited and returned to ORSP for redistribution the following year.

### Funding Proposal Levels

Humboldt has been awarded \$48,445.67 for RSCA allocation in this fiscal year. Proposals should be submitted by sole principal investigators to fund projects in the amount of \$3,000-\$5,000 total. Proposals are due by **September 19, 2024 by 11:59 pm**. The InfoReady submission portal can be accessed through [Engagement Hub](#).

### Reporting requirements

Recipients will be expected to respond to requests for progress reports at 6-month, 12-month, and 18-month intervals through the InfoReady submission portal. RSCA award recipients who fail to respond to progress report requests will not be eligible to apply for future funding.

For more information about the RSCA program, please contact Erika Wright, Research Development Lead, at [erika.wright@humboldt.edu](mailto:erika.wright@humboldt.edu) or view our video on [How to Write a Winning RSCA Proposal](#) on our YouTube channel.

Scoring Matrix for RSCA Proposals	
Category	Points Available
Significance of the project (this could be for the University, community, for the PI's career, or in general)	20
Potential to result in future research, program, or creative activity (e.g. external grant submissions, intended publications, etc.)	15
Overall Quality of Proposal (well-written, clear justification of costs, etc.)	10
Inclusion of student(s) in the proposal (*paying students is encouraged)	5
<b>Maximum Points Awarded =</b>	<b>50</b>

*\* Please note - Higher priority will also be given to 1) individuals who have not received RSCA funding in the past three years, and 2) Probationary, tenure track faculty at critical stages of their careers, during which research support is essential*



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**LINK:**

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For tips on writing your proposal, follow the link to our Youtube video, ["Writing a Winning RSCA Proposal."](#)

*For more information, follow the link on the left to view the full program description in Infocore, or contact Erika Wright, Research Development Lead, at [erika.wright@humboldt.edu](mailto:erika.wright@humboldt.edu).*