

**2009 IPFW Summer Faculty Research Grant
Assessment Criteria**

Criteria for Proposal Assessment

0	1	2	3
Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Very Good	Excellent

1. Documentation of the scholarly significance of the project

The applicant must clearly document the scholarly significance of the proposed project. Considered in this aspect will be how well the applicant sets the proposed project in the framework of other scholarship in the discipline, and how convincingly the applicant argues for the importance and/or originality of the proposed project.

Rating (0-3): _____ Score: _____ (Rating weighted X 3)

2. Clarity

The applicant must clearly explain the objectives of the proposed project and the methods to be used. Members of the PDS are scholars from many fields, but not necessarily well versed in the applicant's discipline. The applicant should use language that is easily understandable by readers who are not experts in the applicant's discipline, and define discipline-specific terminology when necessary.

Rating (0-3): _____ Score: _____ (Rating weighted X 3)

3. Utilization of the summer funding period

The applicant must clearly explain what aspects of the proposed project will be completed during the two-month award period. If it is not possible to complete the entire project during the summer award period, the applicant must clearly explain why not, and when it is anticipated that the project will be complete.

Rating (0-3): _____ Score: _____ (Rating weighted X 1)

4. Relationship of the project to the applicant's program of scholarship

The applicant must clearly explain how the proposed project fits in his or her overall program of scholarship and supports his or her professional growth. Include how this project would lead to additional funding if appropriate for the discipline, and/or how it will further the applicant's program of scholarship.

Rating (0-3): _____ Score: _____ (Rating weighted X 2)

Evaluation:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ Total Score:

Additional Consideration: First application or success with previously funded projects

If the applicant has received previous funding from an IPFW or PRF summer grant, the applicant must document the outcome of the project(s) which received funding. When an applicant can demonstrate that previous funding led to outcomes such as manuscripts, presentations, or publications, the current application will be rated higher on this criterion.

_____ First application for summer funding

_____ Received funding one previous summer

Rating (0-3):

_____ Received funding two previous summers

Rating (0-3):

_____ Received previous internal funding and external funding with salary.