

Subject: Research Support
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Introduction:

This EAS Research Support Policy provides incentives to support faculty in their efforts to contribute to college funded research goals. All support will be contingent on fund availability.

1. NSF CAREER award. One college-funded Graduate Research Assistant (EAS [GRA](#)) per year for three years will be awarded to a faculty member who acquires NSF CAREER award at UCCS.
2. Start-up package. \$15,000 (usually matched by the departments) for research related activities (equipment, travel, etc.), three months summer support for research, one EAS GRA per year for two years, and reduced teaching load per EAS Workload and Evaluation Policy to a newly hired tenure-track faculty as start-up package.
3. Graduate Teaching Assistants. Provide each department with one college-funded Graduate Teaching Assistant (EAS [GTA](#)) per year to support Ph.D. or M.S. students. It cannot be split between students. Support for Ph.D. students should be given higher priority. A student may be assigned to grade large classes (usually two), or teach labs and/or classes. Work hours and enrollment requirements must comply with university rules and regulations. Allocation of additional EAS GTA positions, when available, will be discussed by the Executive Committee and approved by the dean. The departments and faculty members must forward the names of graduate student(s) who will receive the assistantship to the dean by April 15.
4. Ph.D. Graduate Tuition Support. A limited amount of tuition support, at the maximum of \$4,000 per fall or spring semester, will be awarded to students in the Ph.D. program nominated by his/her EAS advisor, provided that the student is supported with at least \$1500 per month stipend from an externally funded project, and/or ICR account, and/or Fixed Price account, throughout the semester.
5. Balsells Mobility Scholarships and Graduate Fellowships. Provide matching funds for stipends, tuition, and miscellaneous expenses for eligible students.
6. Undergraduate Research Scholars. Provide a minimum of \$20,000 per year for the EAS Undergraduate Research Scholars Program (EAS URS)
7. Faculty Travel. Provide \$1,000 per tenure-track faculty (except El Pomar Chairs and other endowed Chairs, and tenure-track faculty in their first two years) to each department for research-related travel. The chair determines how these funds are allotted within their departments (see department criteria).

8. Ph.D. Student Travel Support. A faculty member can request for no more than two travel awards of up to \$500 per student per year for their Ph.D. students to travel to quality conferences - quality is determined by the acceptance rate for presentations at the conference. There must be an equal match from the faculty member for this award.

9. ICR return incentive. Provide a share of the ICR to the faculty per College ICR Return Policy.

10. Matching Funds for External Grants. Evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

11. Other. The dean may support other research activities.

The dean determines the amount of funds available each year and has the final say in all matters.