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School of Engineering and Applied Science

APPLICATION FOR SENIOR THESIS/INDEPENDENT WORK FUNDING

Seniors and juniors in the School of Engineering and Applied Science (SEAS) may apply for support for senior thesis and independent work research from funds administered by the SEAS Dean's Office. These funds are normally restricted to consumable supplies, software, small equipment and parts, and travel for field experiments. They specifically do not cover books and journals, food and refreshments, copying, thesis preparation and poster printing costs, or capital equipment. Funding per project will normally not exceed \$500; requests above that amount will be considered only if accompanied by a special request letter from your adviser. All awards are contingent on the availability of funds.

Due to the difficulty of estimating costs of cloud computing services (e.g. Google, Amazon), it is necessary to cap initial allocations for such services at \$300. Additional support can be requested in the February funding round contingent on the availability of funds.

There are two funding rounds annually. **Applications for fall term projects and senior theses are due on September 30, 2020; applications for spring term projects are due on February 15, 2021. By the deadline, please send the items listed below in one PDF to BSEprogram@princeton.edu with your name and the word "funding" in the subject line:**

- 1-this page, including **your adviser's signature** (fill-in fields and signatures can be typed to keep the form digital);
- 2-a proposal of no more than two pages that describes your project;
- 3-a detailed budget of the **TOTAL** cost of your project, **INCLUDING** any funding you requested and/or received from all other sources;
- 4-a special request letter from your adviser, if project exceeds \$500;
- 5-IACUC and IRB documentation, if applicable (note: conducting a survey may need IRB approval); and
- 6-the attached waiver of liability form **with your signature** (if joint project all parties must sign form and signatures can be typed to keep the form digital).

Incomplete applications will delay the allocation of funds, and late applications may be declined. Notification of funding will be delivered to the student's undergraduate administrator.

Name:	Class year:	Department:
Certificate Programs (<i>list</i>):		E-mail: @princeton.edu
Title of project:		TOTAL amount needed in AY 20-21 to complete your project is \$ _____
Other potential sources of funding (<i>check all that apply</i>): <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Requested \$ _____ from _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Receiving \$ _____ from _____		This project is able to reuse items previously purchased for another project (<i>check, if yes list item(s)</i>): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ <input type="checkbox"/> None
Name of adviser:		Project duration (<i>check</i>): <input type="checkbox"/> one-term IW <input type="checkbox"/> two-term thesis
This proposed project is (<i>check all that apply AND attach appropriate documentation</i>): <input type="checkbox"/> Compliant with all of the University's IACUC guidelines. <input type="checkbox"/> No animals are being used for this project <input type="checkbox"/> Compliant with all of the University's IRB guidelines. <input type="checkbox"/> No human subjects are being used for this project. <input type="checkbox"/> Compliant with all of the Univ.'s Undergraduate Travel Policies <input type="checkbox"/> No traveling is required for this project.		
Your signature:		Date:

Endorsement by your adviser below indicates that he/she has reviewed your proposal and agrees that your project is feasible, that you have the preparation to carry it out, and that the items for which funding is requested are essential to its successful completion.

Signature of adviser:	Date:
Adviser's comments:	



WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Princeton University has awarded me research funding based upon the academic merit of my proposed research. However, I understand that by providing me with funding Princeton University has not and will not be responsible for evaluating or taking steps to minimize any risks to me or my personal property which might be associated with my research, including those associated with travel to or residence in locations other than Princeton, New Jersey.

Therefore, in accepting the research funding, I specifically acknowledge that:

- (1) It is my obligation (not the University's) to reasonably investigate and prepare for my research by, among other things, asking the appropriate people the questions necessary for me to understand the nature of my research, the safest and most appropriate means of undertaking it (including travel, if any), and the risks (if any) involved in my research;
- (2) By providing the funding to me, Princeton University is not assuming any obligation to me whatsoever; and
- (3) In the event I suffer personal injury or property damage in connection with my research, I will not seek to hold Princeton University liable for such injury or damage due to its provision of funding to me.
- (4) If I am using these thesis funds for travel, I agree that I will abide by the University policies on student travel presented at <http://travel.princeton.edu/undergraduate-students/undergraduate-travel-policies> and will register my travel in the Travel Registration Database. **My original signature below confirms that I have read this policy.**

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____