

REPORT TO FACULTY SENATE

FROM: Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Liesl Folks
<https://provost.arizona.edu>

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Provost Investment Fund** – A total of 98 amazing proposals were submitted to the Spring 2021 PIF round. These were evaluated by teams of faculty, staff and students. The successful proposals below were approved for funding for one or two years.

Category	Unit Name	Proposal Title	Applicant	Total
Academic Program	College of Law	Legal Paraprofessional Certificate Program	Swisher, Keith	\$174,000
Academic Program	College of Fine Arts, Arizona Arts	Stories Travel: To advance the key goals for diversity and recruitment and speaks directly to UArizona's land grant mission	Negus, Kerry	\$187,000
Academic Program	College of Nursing	Enhancing Arizona Nursing Inclusive Excellence (E-ANIE)	Machtley, Steve	\$184,000
Academic Program	College of Applied Science & Technology	Undergraduate Data Literacy: An Interdisciplinary, Community-Informed, Teaching and Research Program	Xu, Li & Brown, Sheena	\$161,000
Academic Program	College of Education	Borderlands Education Center Development Project	Kralovec, Etta & Alvarez, Nadia	\$171,000
Research	College of Medicine-Tucson	The National Summer Undergraduate Research Project (NSURP), a Platform for Engaging Underrepresented Minorities in STEM	Johnson, Michael	\$128,000
Research	Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health	The Stewardship of Indigenous Peoples' Data at the University of Arizona	Carroll, Stephanie	\$90,000
Research	College of Architecture, Planning and Landscape Architecture	Climate-Positive Building Lab	Bean, Jonathan	\$171,000
Student/Employee Program	College of Engineering	Engineering Access, Greater Equity & Diversity (ENGAGED) Program	Hahn, David	\$187,000
Student/Employee Program	Diversity and Inclusion	The Second Year Edge: Peer Mentoring Program to Support the Retention of Men of Color	Pizzolato, Jane	\$97,000
Student/Employee Program	College of Humanities	Graduate Writing Institute	Holm, Andrea	\$30,000

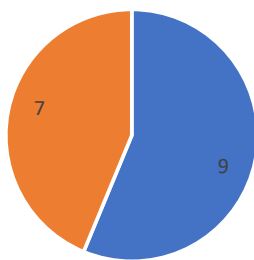
			TOTAL	\$1,580,000
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Additional funding was provided from the Federal CARES Act allocation set-aside for Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI), for the proposals below:

Category	Unit Name	Proposal Title	Applicant	Total
Student/Employee Program	Division of Agriculture, Life, and Veterinary Sciences and Cooperative Extension	Building a Student Basic Needs Infrastructure	Daniel McDonald	\$174,155
Student/Employee Program	College of Medicine - Tucson	Peer Support Specialist Training for Native Americans: A New Approach to Expand Behavioral Health Services in Arizona's Native American Communities	Teshia Solomon	\$199,154
Academic Program	College of Social and Behavioral Sciences	Antiracist Vertical Writing Across the Curriculum: A Coalition of Support for Students and Faculty	Aimee Mapes	\$199,972
Academic Program	Office of Research, Innovation and Impact	Confluence Border Lab Fellowships	Javier Duran	\$194,242
Student/Employee Program	Graduate and Professional Student Council (Graduate College)	GPSC Promising Practice Grants	Shilpita Sen	\$8,000
			TOTAL	\$775,523

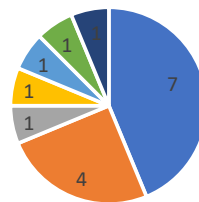
Demographic data for the funded proposals:

Gender



■ Female ■ Male

IPEDS Ethnicity



■ White Caucasian ■ Hispanic Latino
 ■ Black African American ■ Asian
 ■ Native American/Alaskan Native ■ Unknown
 ■ Non-Resident Alien

For more information, see <https://provost.arizona.edu/provost-investment-fund>.

- **Campus activities and communications:**
 - Memo to Deans, Dept Heads and faculty regarding [Resumption of Student Course Surveys for Spring 2021 Courses](#) - March 4th.
 - Department Head Information Session for Fall 2021 Planning - March 11th. Presentation and recording can be viewed on the [Pandemic Academic Coordination website](#).
 - [We Stand Against Anti-Asian and Gender-Based Violence](#) announcement - March 18th.
 - [Transition to Stage 3 Information Session](#) - March 25th. Presentation and recording can be viewed on the [Pandemic Academic Coordination website](#).
 - Memo to Faculty and Instructors regarding [Stage 3 Reentry Instruction Information, Resources, and Plans](#) - March 26th.
 - Memo on [Five-Year Reviews of Administrators](#) to all faculty, Deans, and Dept Heads - April 2nd.
 - Launched the [UArizona Esports Program](#), AZ state's first public university team for competitive gaming, with new space in the Student Union.
 - **HLC – Did you Know** communication series initiated in lead up to HLC site visit and 10 year review. See;
 - **March 24, 2021** [The Higher Learning Commission will review the University next month](#)
 - **March 31, 2021** [The HLC reviews University operations in relationship to its mission](#)
 - Webinar on the upcoming [Higher Learning Commission Accreditation Review](#) - April 2nd.

- **Live Chat session topics with faculty and instructors:**
 - March 9, 2021 – Lessons Learned from a Year of Remote Learning, with panelists Andrea Romero and Lisa Elfring.
 - **UPCOMING** April 6, 2021 – Mental Health and Wellness Resources for Faculty, Staff and Students.
 - **Link to register or watch recorded sessions:** <https://provost.arizona.edu/content/provost-forum>

- **Ongoing Efforts**
 - Developing processes for transition to new titles for **Career Track Faculty** with the goal to complete by Fall 2021, allowing pay equity review to proceed.
 - **Course Support for Caregiving Instructors:** As of April 2, 2021, awarded \$338,537 to instructors in 11 colleges for [supports](#) for grading, online content development, online teaching, and technology costs.
 - Working with [PAC](#) to put together **Academic Instruction Guidance for Summer 2021 and Fall 2021**.
 - **Modifications to RCM:** Asked Colleges to establish AIB Working Groups to provide College-level review and feedback on possible changes to budget model and to develop / review activity-based operational support distributions to individual departments.