

## :::::RISE FACTSHEET 8.25.2021:::::

### STEM Success “Research Immersion for STEM Excellence” (“RISE”) Program Overview

The STEM Success grant fosters enhanced STEM discipline engagement and support to eligible Stanislaus Students through “Research and Immersion for STEM Excellence” (“RISE”) program activities. RISE enables STEM students to conduct research with Stanislaus State STEM faculty. The students are paid as hourly research assistants and have opportunities to attend professional conferences at no cost. The STEM Success grant provides funding for RISE Faculty Mentors and student researchers for approved supplies, conference registration, transportation, lodging, meals and associated costs to conduct research and attend conferences. Due to COVID-19 the university has restricted travel indefinitely. We will not be able to sponsor any conferences that require travel for Fall 2021. The grant also provides compensation to RISE Faculty Mentors. Additionally, Leah Young-Chung (Instructional Support Technician) is available to support RISE faculty and students by ordering research supplies, providing laboratory and research assistance (in person and virtual), and helping students to prepare and deliver their posters and presentations.

### Student Researchers (Research Associates)

RISE Student Researchers are eligible for hourly pay during their first two years as Stanislaus State students (whether they are freshmen or transfers) or until the end of the grant in March 2022 (whichever comes first). Interested students must apply to the job listing posted on the Faculty Affairs web page, complete paperwork, meet with a potential faculty mentor(s), and finalize paperwork through the STEM Success staff before beginning research. The RISE student 2021 pay rate is \$15 per hour. While classes are in session, students can work a maximum of 20 hours/week regardless of funding source. We budget for students to work roughly 10 hours/week and anticipate that this will fluctuate through the semester.

After their first two years on campus, students are considered “emeritus” Student Researchers, and are encouraged to attend RISE meetings and are still eligible for conference registration and travel funding.

Fall 2021 RISE meeting dates are: Sept 13th 1pm, Oct 19th 1pm, Nov 15th 4pm, Dec 7th 4pm, all on Zoom.

### Faculty Mentors

During Fall 2021, Faculty mentors will be compensated through special consultant pay scaled at a rate equivalent to 3 days day per student they are mentoring (the rate slightly changes for mentors with 4 or more students). Compensation arrangements and agreements are developed through the STEM Success office, and authorized by the STEM Success Director consistent with university and funder policies and procedures. Note: This rate is subject to limitation and/or change based on CSU policy and/or funding availability.

### Supplies, Conference Registration, and Travel Funding

During each semester or the summer, teams are eligible for supplies funding at a rate of roughly \$250 per RISE student. More expensive supplies which can serve multiple teams and/or RISE students over multiple semesters may be considered as well. Student researchers and their mentors are encouraged to present their work at conferences. Travel that includes student authorship (posters, oral presentations, etc.) may be given preference.

To receive supplies or travel funding in a given semester teams need to submit supplies and conference travel request forms via web forms by the deadline, generally about one month from the beginning of the semester. Thereafter, requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis; given adequate lead time and resources.

Supplies- [https://csustan.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_2udPL77Ltp6X66h](https://csustan.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2udPL77Ltp6X66h)

Travel- [https://csustan.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_cUdNA9D12YxtjT](https://csustan.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cUdNA9D12YxtjT)

Teams presenting/participating at conferences should provide the RISE Faculty Coordinator (Andy) and STEM Success Director (Iqbal) or the Lab Technician (Leah) digital versions of your presentations and posters (.jpg, .ppt, .psd, etc.) and pictures of your team at work and at conferences within 30 days after the conference ends. This can be done via email and/or google form. Individuals should submit their expenses and connect with Administrative Analyst, Jean De Grassi ([jdegrassi@csustan.edu](mailto:jdegrassi@csustan.edu)) to complete reimbursement within 30 days of RISE-sponsored travel.

Travel Experience Summary - <https://forms.gle/3s7XGoQzEuM9bT5m7>

### Acknowledgement

As you are putting together posters or presentations, please include the STEM RISE logo (below) along with this blurb about our funding source: "This research activity is funded all or in part by the Stanislaus State STEM Success program through a U.S. Department of Education Title III grant #P031C160070." Here is an abbreviated version: "U.S. Department of Education (Title III) Grant #P031C160070."



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