

March 5, 1999

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Presidents

From: Elizabeth Lambert Johns

Subject: **Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement Program (RISE)**

I am pleased to announce a grant opportunity that can involve mathematics and science faculty.

The National Institutes of Health issued Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement (RISE) request for proposals. (See attached.) The University of North Carolina-General Administration (UNCGA) and the North Carolina Community College System Office (NCCCS) will submit a joint proposal for cooperative efforts in faculty development in the sciences.

This proposal will build from the foundation of the current NIH-funded Bridges program (North Carolina Transition Program in the Biomedical Sciences). Wherein Bridges emphasize student development, this initiative will promote an infrastructure for faculty development through workshops, seminars, exchanges, and faculty internships. The project can enhance collaboration of two- and four-year colleges through the development of proposals, biomedical curricula, and research projects.

One of the goals of the proposed workshops will be the design and writing of individual applications from community colleges and partnering universities for follow through grants.

If you are interested in participating in this shared initiative or in the preparation of your RISE grant, please complete the attached form and return it by March 12, 1999. For additional information, please contact Allen McNeely, Associate Director of Sponsored Program Administration, either by telephone (919/733-7051, Ext. 448) or by e-mail (mcneelya@ncccs.cc.nc.us).

Attachments (2)

CC99-086  
Paper Copy