Accelerator Award



Application Due December 9, 2024

Application Information:

The School of Public Health Office of Research is excited to announce the renewal of the Accelerator Award. The Accelerator Award is a School of Public Health Pilot Award designed to support faculty members for whom preliminary data would help secure extramural funding for a larger scale project. Priority is given to proposals that include early-stage investigators or represent new collaborations between School of Public Health faculty members. Awardees will receive up to \$10,000 to pursue the proposed work through September 30, 2025. Funds may not be used to cover faculty effort.

Project proposals should include:

- Project Summary
- Specific Aims Page
- Timeline for completing the project by September 30, 2025
- Plans for submission of larger grant extramural funding before July 1, 2026
- Proposed Budget & Budget Justification

Eligibility & Expectations:

- 1. Full-time faculty whose primary appointment is in the SOPH are eligible to apply.
- 2. Priority will be given to proposals that would improve the impact or feasibility of an unsuccessful prior extramural grant submission, and/or those that include early-stage investigators or represent new collaborations between SOPH faculty members.
- Awardees are expected to provide a progress report at the RAC meeting in July 2025 and deliver a summary abstract or preliminary study results by September 30, 2025.
- 4. Awardees are encouraged to disseminate project results after the award period, either through a seminar or presentation at the SOPH Research Day.

How to Submit:

Proposals should be submitted by December 9, 2025 via the Office of Research website and will be reviewed by each applicant's Department Chair and/or Vice Chair for Research, if applicable. Each Chair (or their delegate) will have sole discretion over funds disbursement for their Department.

