**Victor A. Olorunsola**

**Endowed Research Award for Young Scholars – 2023**

***VICTOR OLORUNSOLA*** *was Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences from 1987-90. Scholarship was an important part of Victor’s life. He believed that research and the development of new ideas, together with a teaching environment that supports that research, were a core part of a College of Arts and Sciences. It was essential to him that young faculty members had the opportunity to establish foundational research programs as early as possible in their professional careers. To continue Victor’s efforts in this area, Carol Olorunsola established the Victor Olorunsola Young Scholar’s Fund in memory of her husband.*

The College of Arts and Sciences solicits applications for the Victor Olorunsola Endowed Research Award. One award of $2,000 will be made this year. Funds may be used for research assistance, supplies, or as seed money for travel or equipment support. Travel support must be directly connected to the research project. This award is supplemental to standard college funds or funds received from the College Research Committee for such purposes.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants must be within their first four years as full-time, tenure-track assistant professors in the College of Arts and Sciences at U of L. The award cannot be used for dissertation research or dissemination of research results.

**APPLICATION**

Faculty members must submit a proposal of **no more than a total of four pages** describing their research project. The budget and budget narrative are included in the four-page limit; the CV is not included in the page limit. The font should not be smaller than 11 point. The proposal should be organized as follows:

* Introduction and significance of the research
* Research objectives and methods
* The time frame for completion of the research project (must be within FY 2024, 7/1/23-6/30/24)
* Relationship of the project to your short- and long-term research goals
* Plans related to this research *[describe, for example, plans for dissemination of findings, continuation or expansion of the study, submission of grant proposals]*
* Budget *[include purpose(s) for which the Olorunsola funds will be used as well as other sources of funds for your research project]*
* Budget justification *[briefly describe how you arrived at the costs cited in your budget and/or explain any budget items that may need clarification]*
* Brief CV (consisting of the first 2-3 pages of your full CV plus the research section of your CV)

Proposals must show a high likelihood of successfully completing the project within a definite time or a high probability of the project serving as the basis for additional research grants. An indication that the proposal would yield increased research productivity both in the immediate and in the long-term career of the faculty member is required.

An electronic copy of the proposal must be submitted to the Associate Dean of Research and Innovation, Michael Menze ([mamenz02@louisville.edu](mailto:mamenz02@louisville.edu)), by **Monday, April 17, 2023,** and must be accompanied by an endorsement from the department chair.

**The** **award recipient will submit a brief report on the research conducted with this award by July 6, 2024.**