This call for proposals for Support and Development Awards (SDA) is the only call for awards for the 2021-2022 academic year. The pool of available funds for these proposals is \$15,000. Typically, SDA grants do not exceed \$1,500.

The deadline for the return of SDA Applications is **Monday, November 23, 2020**. Award announcements will be made early in the spring semester.

Faculty may submit complementary proposals to the USA Faculty Development Council, Arts and Sciences Summer Professional Development Awards Committee, and for an SDA. Disclosure of simultaneous submissions is required.

Tenured, tenure-tracked, and continuing A&S Faculty are eligible to apply for an SDA award. Faculty who serve on the Support and Development Award Committee are not eligible to apply for an SDA award in the same year.

Support and Development Awards are intended to support faculty development. These funds can be used towards research-oriented travel. Examples of projects that have been funded in the past include the following:

A. Attending workshops and seminars to enhance professional skills.

B. Purchasing library resources, research supplies, equipment, or software to enhance course development or research.

C. Conducting colloquia or seminars for the purpose of professional development (to cover the costs of bringing guest speaker(s) to campus).

D. Collaborating with a noted scholar or artist.

E. Supporting projects, artistic productions, exhibitions, or paying for page charges and other publication costs associated with refereed articles and books accepted for publication by reputable presses.

F. Covering costs of pilot research projects either not supported by the USA Faculty Development Council Grand Program (FDCGP) or to supplement FDCGP awards. If funding will be sought from the FDCGP, include a copy of your FDCGP proposal with your SDA submission. Simultaneous submissions of a complementary proposal for an Arts and Sciences Summer Professional Development Award (SPDA) and an SDA are also permitted. Include a copy of your SPDA proposal with your application for the SDA.

The application for the SDA is available in InfoReady at:

https://southalabama.infoready4.com/#homePage

Recipients of SDA awards should, following completion of their project supported by the award, submit a short report of their project to the Dean of Arts and Sciences. This report should be submitted not later than the end of the first regular semester following the completion of the project supported by the SDA award.