



TFSE Grants Program

The Therkildsen Field Station at Emiquon (TFSE) invites faculty and students to submit collaborative proposals for projects based in and inspired by the Emiquon Preserve. The number of awards is expected to vary from year-to-year. Projects do not need to be scientific in nature. Projects are expected to have a defined outcome and students are expected to present their work in at least one formal setting (STARS, Emiquon Science Symposium, etc.).

Deadline

Proposals will be accepted twice yearly. Deadlines are the **first Monday of April and October**.

Format

Proposals must include the following sections:

A. Basic Information

- Project Title
- Names and Departments of Faculty and Staff members involved with the project
- Name or Names of Students expected to take part in the project

B. Narrative. Please limit the narrative to three pages in length. Use the **bold descriptors** as headers for each section identified below:

- A short **Description of the Project** and its relationship to existing work in the field. Be sure that the project is adequately described, including your expected methodology.
- A description of the **Involvement of Students** and their professional development
- Products and Outcomes** that are expected from the project (journal articles, presentations, displays, etc.)

C. Budget. Up to \$5,000

- Student Support.** Please use the current hourly rate for student workers at UIS and be sure to include an estimate of the number of hours to be worked.
- Travel Support.** Research-related travel must be itemized and based on current state rates. Please refer to www.obfs.uillinois.edu
- Supplies/Consumables.** Provide a detailed list with costs identified.
- Equipment.** Please consult with the TFSE Director regarding equipment needs. Equipment which will become a useful part of the TFSE inventory may be purchased by the TFSE and not count against the \$5,000 budget.

D. References/Bibliography

- E. A two-page **CV**, be sure to include recent publications and activities most relevant to the proposed project

Submission

Proposals should be emailed as a single pdf to the TFSE Director (troth3@uis.edu) by the lead faculty member. Please use the subject line: **TFSE Grant**

All proposals will be reviewed by a committee assembled by the TFSE Director, which will make recommendations based on the quality and feasibility of the project.