



TFSE Research Support

The Therkildsen Field Station connects researchers and students of all ages to the Emiquon Preserve by supporting education and exploration of its complex wildlife and habitats

The ***Therkildsen Field Station at Emiquon*** (TFSE) invites faculty and students to submit collaborative proposals for support of 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.).

uis.edu/emiquon for more information on the Emiquon Preserve and the TFSE. Please feel free to contact the TFSE Director (Tom Rothfus, troth3@uis.edu) to discuss topics and explore ideas.

Deadline

Proposals are being accepted on a rolling deadline and will be considered while funding remains available.

Format

Proposals must include the following sections (use the **bold descriptors** as headers):

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 to five pages in length.

- 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 \$6,000

- Student Support.** Please use a rate of \$11.00 per hour (base pay for student workers at UIS) and be sure to include an estimate of the number of hours to be worked.
- Stipends and External Support.** Funds cannot be used for faculty stipends or to pay external personnel.

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-**Travel Support.** Research-related travel must be itemized and based on current state mileage 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 \$6,000 budget.

D. References/Bibliography

- E. A one-page **vita** listing 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)

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.