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Dear UCSB Faculty:

We are pleased to announce the 2008-09 Faculty Outreach Grant (FOG) Program Call for Proposals. The FOG Program is supported by the Chancellor's Outreach Advisory Board (COAB), the Chancellor's Office, the Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor and the Office of Academic Preparation. The dual purpose of the FOG Program is to enrich the creativity and quality of K-12 and community college academic preparation program efforts offered from the UCSB campus and to enhance our faculty's commitment to and engagement with our K-12 partner schools, with Santa Barbara County schools that serve large populations of underrepresented students, and with community colleges in Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Ventura Counties.

All faculty and staff in campus departments and programs are eligible to submit proposals. However, the primary investigator must be a member of the Academic Senate at UCSB. Collaborative proposals involving faculty or staff from existing UCSB academic preparation programs as well as California State University Channel Islands, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo or regional community colleges are encouraged.

UCSB promotes initiatives that seek a transformation in student academic preparation and/or classroom approach, curriculum, school climate, or educational equity, and thus impact significantly the aspirations and achievement of students in low-performing schools. We seek proposals that address these ambitious goals directly, with initiatives designed to provide substantial contributions to the future of California's children. It is anticipated that project awards will range from \$2,000-\$20,000, though proposals of up to \$40,000 will be considered if such a significant investment can be justified. Proposals that directly target our eight partner high schools and their "feeder" elementary and middle schools in Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties will be given priority. Initiatives focused on educationally disadvantaged students in local Santa Barbara/Goleta elementary, middle and high schools, are also encouraged. Please see attachments for the complete lists of schools. We anticipate funding at least one proposal that focuses on academic preparation for underrepresented students in regional community colleges.

COAB selects a panel of reviewers to evaluate proposals and make recommendations regarding funding. The review committee will have broad representation, including faculty members and staff to ensure that the proposals have practical and technical merit as well as have the potential to achieve the objective of the FOG initiative.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal, please review the attached guidelines in the FOG Program Call for Proposals for 2008-09. Final proposals are due to the Office of Academic Preparation by no later than Friday, January 25, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions about the FOG Program, please contact Claudia Martinez, Acting Director, Office of Academic Preparation at Extension 3105 or claudia.martinez@apeo.ucsb.edu.

Sincerely,

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