

## **SUMMER RESEARCH STIPENDS**

College of Business  
Louisiana Tech University

In accordance with our Mission the College strives to reward research productivity and to advance faculty research agendas. To this end the College of Business sets aside funds to be used for competitive research stipends awarded during the summer each year. Funds for the stipends traditionally have come from Departmental Excellence through Faculty Excellence (DEFE) research funds and the University's operating budget. To be eligible for consideration, a faculty member must be returning the next academic year and meet the following criteria:

- Doctoral graduate faculty status, and
- More than one disciplined-based "A" level publication in the preceding five-year evaluation period, and
- If the faculty member received a stipend in the previous year, demonstrated productivity or progress as a result of the research award.

Faculty who receive summer research support as part of the initial contract offer will not be considered in awarding these stipends for the duration of the contractual summer support.

To determine the stipend amounts, points are assigned to "A" level publications. Each disciplined-based "A" level publication is assigned one point. Each "A+" level publication is assigned three points in the first year that the publication is utilized in awarding points; in subsequent years, "A+" level publications will be assigned two points. Other "A" level publications (either Contributions to Practice or Learning/Pedagogical articles) are assigned no points. To qualify for a stipend, a faculty member is required to have at least two points.

Points for all faculty who qualify for the research stipends are totaled, and the total points are divided into the total funds available to determine a per point award. Currently, the maximum amount any faculty member may receive is \$15,000; however, the maximum amount is subject to change based upon total available funding.

By September 1, each recipient of a research stipend is required to submit a one-page report (see attached outline) to the Dean describing his/her research progress during the summer. In addition, each is encouraged to present his/her research to the faculty and graduate students at a College of Business research seminar during the year. As is expected for all doctoral graduate faculty, recipients will continue to work with DBA students during the summer.