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| Applicant Information |
| Name of PI: |       |
| Title/Rank: | [ ]  Assistant Professor | [ ]  Associate Professor [ ]  Professor |
| Time in Current Rank at NDSU: |       |
| Tenure Status: | [ ] Tenure-Track | [ ]  Tenured  |
| College(s): |       |
| Department(s)/School(s): |       |
| Phone Number(s): |       |
| NDSU E-mail: |       |
| Number of years until you will apply for promotion and/or tenure:       |
| If tenure-track, indicate “Yes” *if* any formal time extensions have been approved or anticipated & for what lengths of time: [ ]  Yes &       |

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| Project Information |
| Project Title:       |
| Project Start Date:       (mm/yyyy) Project End Date:       (mm/yyyy) |
| Project Abstract: *(no more than 300 words)*       |
| Names and affiliations of collaborators (if any) on the project:       |

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| Statement of Purpose  |
| Briefly explain your need for a Leap Research Grant and how it will help with your tenure and/or promotion case. Remember that these grants are intended for faculty with great ideas who need some extra support to become competitive. These are not intended for those who are already successful at obtaining external funding. Emphasize how the proposed project is STEM.       |

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| Suggested Reviewers |
| Suggest *at least* two external reviewers whose expertise is in this field and who would be able to provide technical reviews of the proposal. There must be no conflict of interest between the applicant and the external reviewers (do no list former advisors, students, relatives, coauthors, collaborators, etc. that would be a conflict).       |

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| Future Funding Plans |
| List funding agency(s) and program(s) to which you will submit a proposal as a result of this project. Provide explicit information about the programs including web links if available. Include target date(s) for submission(s) and estimated amount to be requested.       |

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| Dissemination Plan |
| List journal(s) to which you will submit research article(s) from this project. Include anticipated article title(s) and target date(s) for submission(s).       |

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| Total Amount Requested | $       |

Please submit *all* of your application materials by April 26, 2014 *by email* to ndsu.forward@ndsu.edu. The subject line must read “Leap Research Grant Application.” Make *sure* to carbon copy your department chair/head, dean, and all investigators.

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| Contacts | Name | E-mail |
| Dean: |       |       |
| Department Chair/Head: |       |       |
| Department Administrative Assistant: |       |       |

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| Checklist of Application Materials |  |
| [ ]  NDSU Advance FORWARD Leap Research Grant Program application form [ ]  The most recent department level review and a copy of the most recent college level review (in a *separate* PDF file)[ ]  Curriculum Vitae (for each investigator) | [ ]  Project description[ ]  Budget with justification [ ]  References cited |