FORWARD grants continue with support from NDSU EPSCoR and academic departments

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The FORWARD project recently awarded several Leap research, Leap lab renovation and climate and gender research grants. Two Leveraging Education Assistance Partnership, known as Leap, research grants were awarded to Estelle Leclerc, assistant professor of pharmaceutical sciences; and Maricelis Acevedo, assistant professor of plant pathology. Both research projects were funded through Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research, known as EPSCoR.

Two Leap lab renovation grants were awarded to Stephanie Day, assistant professor of geosciences; and Abbey Wick, assistant professor of soil health. The award to Day was co-funded by the Department of Geosciences and the award to Wick was co-funded by the School of Natural Resource Sciences.

A team of five faculty and staff received a climate and gender research grant for their proposal entitled “Gendered Perceptions of Justice on Campus.” The project team includes Chris Ray and Claudette Peterson, both assistant professors of education, Chris Whitsel and Pam Emanuelson, both assistant professors of sociology, and Kara Gravely-Stack, director of diversity initiatives.

Applications for all of the grant programs were reviewed externally prior to the award decisions.

For the current academic year, application due dates for FORWARD grant programs include:

- course release grants – Nov. 1
- leadership development grants – Jan. 23, 2014
- climate and gender equity research grants – March 28, 2014
- Leap research and lab renovation grants – April 25, 2014

The request for applications will be posted at www.ndsu.edu/forward on or before Oct. 18. Additional information about each opportunity is also available on the FORWARD website.

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