ISR DEI Visiting Scholars Program (VSP)

Application Form (updated 11.30.23)

DEI VSP Goals: To increase the diversity of the post-doctoral and faculty scholars with close ties to ISR; a scholar with ‘close ties’ might include:
- a co-investigator with specified effort on an externally-funded proposal
- a co-author on a current manuscript
- a colleague who is working on a data collection effort
- a colleague who is developing a course

DEI VSP Purpose: To provide ISR faculty the opportunity to host scholars from groups that are underrepresented in the sciences (defined below) and to introduce them to the ISR entrepreneurial and scientific environment. ISR will provide funding to cover travel, lodging, hosting (up to $500), and a $2000 stipend for a one-week visit at ISR. The faculty host will provide office space and necessary supplies, as well as the staff support to arrange the visiting scholar’s travel and itinerary and to host all identified activities.

DEI VSP Review Process: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and will be reviewed within one month of submission by the ISR DEI Office in consultation with the appropriate Center Administrator. Applications are reviewed for completeness and alignment with DEI VSP goals and purpose.

Faculty Host Information

Name: __________________________ Email: __________________________
Program: __________________________ Center: __________________________
Date: __________________________

Please include contact information for the support staff in your program who will assist with the visiting scholar’s travel and itinerary:

Name: __________________________ Email: __________________________

Visiting Scholar Information

Eligible visiting scholars:
- are outside the University of Michigan system;
- have a doctoral/professional degree;
- have not previously worked with an ISR faculty member in a significant capacity (e.g., former trainee, current co-investigator, etc.); and
- identify as a member of a group that is underrepresented in the sciences, which is defined for the purposes of this program as one or more of the following:
  - in the first generation to graduate from college;
  - a graduate of a minority-serving institution;
  - a member of a group that is educationally, economically, or culturally disadvantaged; and/or
  - shows a demonstrated and sustained commitment to diversity in the academic or professional workplace setting (by commitment to diversity, we mean efforts in the US to reduce social, educational, or economic inequities based on race, ethnicity, or gender, or to improve race relations in the US)
Please attach the visiting scholar’s CV to this form.

Name:  

University:  

Department:  

Dates of visit:  

**Proposed activities**

Please outline the activities planned that will introduce the visiting scholar to the ISR entrepreneurial and scientific environment. (This can be attached as a document if that is more convenient). Examples of activities include:

- meetings with faculty and staff who can provide information about ISR’s entrepreneurial environment
- meetings with research groups to workshop grant or manuscript ideas
- grant sprints, led by experienced facilitators
- consultations with ISR groups, such as SRC Statistical Design Group, RCGD HomeLab, or other committees and work groups across centers
- brown bag presentation to ISR, its centers, and/or other U-M entities
- meetings with research administration staff
- meetings with U-M departments that can serve as potential partners in a hiring process