From the Co-Chairs of the ISE Building Committee

Dear Colleagues,

The new Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering (ISE) Building construction is well underway with occupancy planned for Fall 2020. In addition to teaching labs and classrooms, there will be approximately 10,000 sq ft of interdisciplinary research space that will be allocated on a competitive basis. These areas include the second floor of the building, which consists of offices and office suites, and the basement, which has office space along with wet lab capacity.

We invite proposals from faculty teams which require interdisciplinary research space, would benefit from being in the ISE building, and would contribute to creating a collaborative and vibrant research environment in the ISE building. Given the nature of the space and the increasing importance of computationally and data-intense research across all fields, we also anticipate that the ISE's research space will form a hub for cross-disciplinary, computationally-informed research at SLU.

Priority will be given to faculty/groups that foster a highly interdisciplinary environment for faculty and students; advance university research priorities; advance computational methodologies and data science research across disciplines; benefit student research opportunities; have plans for effective utilization of the space, and/or promote North and South campus collaborations.

As an initial step, faculty teams are asked to please complete a brief <u>Letter of Intent</u> by October 7, 2019. Invitations to submit full proposals will be issued by October 31, and will be due on December 6. Please contact Jasmin Patel, <u>jasmin.patel@slu.edu</u>, with questions.

Sincerely.

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