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Twenty-one sabbatical applications were submitted and will be reviewed at the October and November meetings of the Faculty Research Committee. The RFP for the Internal Faculty Research Grant program was released and the deadline for submissions is XYZ.

The ORSP is launching two new initiatives in fall 2015 and announcements are forthcoming. With the goal of promoting grant writing among faculty, The Faculty Grant-Writing Award Program will provide \$1500 grants to allow faculty to write proposals during the January 2016 and summer 2016 periods. Applications for the program will be accepted until November 16, 2015. The Grant-Writing Workshop/Funding Agency Travel Award Program will provide up to \$2000 for faculty travel costs to attend a grant writing workshop in the faculty member's field of interest. The application period is open. Dr. Tabbi Miller-Scandle, Director of the ORSP is the contact person.

Another new program, SOAR – Student Opportunities in Academic Research- will attempt to cultivate and coordinate student interest in research with faculty projects. A faculty advisory board will be formed to guide development of the details of the program.