

UVA Wise Environmental Resilience Pilot Grants 2025

The UVA College at Wise offers a seed funding program for transformative environmental research projects. The purpose of the program is to tackle important questions, promote interdisciplinary collaboration, and perform groundbreaking work that will enhance our research enterprise.

Deadline to Apply: 2 May 2025

Proposed projects may be on any subject related to environmental research. Projects may be basic, translational, or clinical research, or a combination.

Successful proposals will have high potential to promote the health and wellbeing of residents of Central Appalachia and concrete plans for pursuing subsequent extramural funding. Priority may be given to proposals that include community stakeholders.

Examples of possible projects include:

- Climate adaptation and mitigation strategies
- Sustainable land and water management
- Renewable energy and energy efficiency
- Community resilience
- Climate change and health impacts

Awards of up to **\$24,500** will be given for the duration of **one year**. Proposals that include multidisciplinary project teams of two or more faculty members may be eligible for additional support or extended project periods. Cost sharing is encouraged but not required.

Faculty from across the College are invited to apply; no more than one proposal per faculty will be accepted each cycle. After initial review, a small number of applicants may be invited for a short discussion with the review committee. Brief written feedback will be returned to all applicants.

Required Proposal Components:

1. Project description (2 pages) should include the following:
 - i. Title of project
 - ii. Investigators
 - iii. Significance
 - iv. Innovation & potential scientific impact

- v. Approach/Methodology
- vi. Project Outcomes
2. References Cited (not in above page limit)
3. Biographical Sketches or CVs
4. Budget (up to 1 page)
 - i. Personnel costs (including faculty course buy-outs), and
 - ii. Other than Personnel costs (equipment, supplies, travel, other).
5. Other Support (if applicable)
 - i. List of additional funding sources, amounts, and timelines.
6. Impact Statement (up to 1 page)
 - i. Describe the impact that this award will have on the wellbeing of the residents of Central Appalachia.
 - ii. Plans for Extramural Support: Provide a list of planned future proposals including agency/foundation and submission dates.

**Additional information regarding the proposal may be requested following initial review.*

Criteria for Evaluation Include:

- Relevance – Potential to promote the health and wellbeing of residents of our region
- Scientific merit – Significance, Innovation, Approach
- Potential for future extramural funding

Proposal Submission Format:

1. Assemble entire application as a single PDF file titled:
“Lastname_Firstname_2025PilotGrant.pdf”
2. Send your application to Chrissy Hall (dyv4de@uvawise.edu).