



Center for Research Excellence
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA AIKEN

Connections Award – Call for Proposals

Sponsored by the USC Aiken Center for Research Excellence

The Center for Research Excellence is pleased to announce the fall 2017 call for *Connections* proposals. We invite all interested students and their faculty mentors to participate.

The *Connections* Research program was created by the University of South Carolina Aiken Center for Research Excellence to enrich the academic experience of our undergraduates through research opportunities in all disciplines. By providing access to faculty mentoring relationships and a professional research experience, USC Aiken enables students to creatively explore their interests at a more in-depth level than can be attained in the classroom.

Each *Connections* Award will be funded for up to \$500. Competition for this award will be through submission of a research, scholarship, or creative project proposal developed in collaboration with a USC Aiken faculty mentor. Selection is based on the project's educational and intellectual merit, the potential impact of the project, and the student's previous academic success.

There will be five Connections awards in January 2018. Two of these will be awarded specifically to students in the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences.

Information regarding the USC Aiken's *Connections* Research program and proposal guidelines can be found on the CRE web page at

<http://web.usca.edu/center-for-research-excellence/cre-program/connections.dot>

***Connections* award start date: January 2018**

Important Dates

Call for proposals: Friday, October 6, 2017

Proposal due date: Friday, November 3, 2017 at 5:00PM

Announcements: Friday, December 1, 2017