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Subject: Catalytic Investment on Research and Innovation Seed (CiRIS) Awardees

Dear Faculty Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce the grant awardees of Academic Affairs' *Catalytic Investment on Research and Innovation Seed (CiRIS) Program*. CiRIS launched in 2023, with the goal of catalyzing scholarly activities likely to lead to external investments that would support future research. This program provides up to \$32,500 in seed funding per project for faculty to focus on their individual or collaborative research/creative/scholarly activities.

This grant cycle was highly competitive, with more than 18 applications received. The funded projects are listed below. Please join me in congratulating the awardees.

- ***Exploring the influence of long-term slip rates on landscape evolution and hazards of the San Andreas fault system, southern California***
Tandis Bidgoli, Department of Geological Sciences
- ***Building Capacity to Develop STEM Teacher Leaders in the Inland Empire***
Xinying Yin, Department of Teacher Education and Foundations
- ***Assessing the efficacy of music-based binaural beat stimulation: A community-based pilot study for patients with Alzheimer's disease***
Yawen Li, School of Social Work
- ***From Pláticas to Redesigning College Readiness Structures: Scaffolding Latina/o/x Postsecondary Pathways***
Nancy Acevedo, Department of Doctoral Studies

Special thanks to the Office of Research Development for facilitating this process and to the Research, Scholarly and Creative Activity Committee for evaluating the proposal submissions.

Sincerely,

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