ZUMBERGE INDIVIDUAL AWARD
Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m., Monday, January 7, 2019
The primary purpose of the Zumberge Individual Research Award program is to help our junior colleagues and new faculty launch their scholarly research careers. It does so by providing grants that assist faculty in developing sustained research programs and serve as a stepping stone to external funding agencies for faculty who do not already have significant sponsored research programs. Awards are for $30,000.

ZUMBERGE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION (D&I) IN RESEARCH WARD
Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m., Monday, January 14, 2019
Diversity in research is a key component of innovation. It enhances the creative process by bringing to the table new concepts and points of view and contributes to a culture of transformative scholarship. The Zumberge Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) in Research Award solicitation is aimed at supporting research and scholarship that addresses critical gaps in knowledge on equity, diversity, and inclusion or benefits diverse communities. To achieve these goals, the Zumberge D&I in Research Award provides up to $30,000 in pilot research support.

MING HSIEH INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH ON ENGINEERING-MEDICINE FOR CANCER
Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 22, 2019
The Ming Hsieh Institute seeks proposals that: (1) Will initiate new nanomedicine multi-disciplinary research projects and that show exceptional promise for translation into human clinical trials for treatment of cancer, or (2) Aim to develop new targeted immunotherapeutic approaches to cancer. MHI funds proposals that will initiate multi-disciplinary research teams employing computational biology, protein chemistry, physics, chemistry, pharmacology, and/or engineering, for the purpose of developing new treatments or diagnostics for patients with cancer. Proposals should demonstrate that a modest seed investment will have significant impact, either through initiating a novel research concept with a clear clinical application, or accelerating research into clinical trials. MHI provides up to $140,000 in research support.

ROSE HILLS FOUNDATION INNOVATOR GRANT PROGRAM
Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m., Monday, February 4, 2019
The primary purpose of the Rose Hills Fellowship is to provide junior faculty in the fields of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) with seed funds to launch their scholarly research careers. It does so by providing grants that assist faculty in developing self-sustaining research programs or serve as a stepping stone to external funding agencies for faculty who do not already have significant sponsored research programs. Non-traditional biomedical research, such as psychology or behavioral studies, are not eligible to apply. Awards are for $75,000/year, renewable for a second year upon demonstrated research progress.

ZUMBERGE MULTI-SCHOOL INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH AWARD
Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m., Monday, February 11, 2019 (Large, $85,000); Open, rolling basis (Small, $10,000)
Zumberge Multi-School Interdisciplinary Research Awards provide seed funding for broad, collaborative research activities that are interdisciplinary and involve groups of faculty from multiple schools across USC. Successful proposals are typically led by faculty with strong records of previous research accomplishments. The priority for interdisciplinary awards is for teams of such faculty who are preparing a proposal for an externally-funded, multi-investigator grant on the scale of an interdisciplinary center, training grant or program project award. To be considered for this award, applications must (a) plan to apply for an externally-funded grant specific to the proposed topic, (b) provide a realistic plan for sustained funding or support beyond the end of the award, and (c) demonstrate that a Zumberge award will make a difference in attracting further research support.

RESEARCH COLLABORATION FUND AWARD
Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 19, 2019
The Research Collaboration Fund supports research collaboration among faculty and students working on interdisciplinary research topics, such as water, neuroscience, genomics, digital humanities, or climate change. Example uses of funding include organization of workshops, seminars, application of collaborative technologies, retreats and development of online resources. Each collaboration should engage a large group of faculty (normally 10 or more), representing at least two schools at USC. Funding can be for up to three years, with the possibility of competitive renewal thereafter. Awards are for $30,000/year, renewable for two years.