UAES Benefits and Project Leader Responsibilities

Benefits associated with being a project leader with the Utah Agricultural Experiment Station (UAES) include:

- Faculty salary and benefits in proportion to your UAES assignment.

- Annual operating funds, as approved by the UAES director, dean of the college, and the department head.

- Up to $500 towards publication charges (reprints, figures, open access, etc.) if the publication has been assigned a UAES publication number by the UAES editor. The UAES must be acknowledged in the publication using the following statement: "This research was supported by the Utah Agricultural Experiment Station, Utah State University and approved as journal paper number XXXX." The link to the form for requesting a UAES publication number is: https://uaes.usu.edu/internal/project-support.

- Optional manuscript editing by the UAES editor, with priority given to early career faculty and non-native English speakers. The link to the form for requesting manuscript editing is: https://uaes.usu.edu/internal/project-support.

- Up to $500 travel support for one scientific meeting per year. The link to the form for requesting these funds is: https://uaes.usu.edu/internal/faculty-support.

- Travel for participation on UAES multistate projects for one representative, one meeting per year per project. The link to the form for requesting these funds is: https://uaes.usu.edu/internal/faculty-support.

- Statistical consulting to assist in the design of experiments and analysis of data. The link to information on the UAES statistical consulting service is: https://uaes.usu.edu/statistical-consulting.

- Assistance with submission of competitive grant proposals. This service requires that 3% of the total F&A will go to the grants office. The link to information on this grant submission service is: https://biosystems.usu.edu/grants/index.

- Assistance with budgeting and accounts, including help with contracts and grants. Contact **Dora Brunson** at dora.brunson@usu.edu for information on this service.

- Access to UAES crop and livestock farms for conducting experiments. Written approval must be obtained from the appropriate farm manager and UAES director prior to the start of the experiment. The links for requesting land or animals on UAES farms is: https://uaes.usu.edu/internal/farm-support.

- Information on other service centers and facilities supported by the UAES can be accessed at: https://uaes.usu.edu/farms/facilities.

- Funding for research projects through the UAES competitive seed grant program, offered when UAES end-of-year funds are available. Graduate student support can be requested through the seed grant program but a one-to-one match is required.

- Funding for equipment through the UAES equipment grant program, offered when UAES end-of-year funds are available. A one-to-one match is required for equipment grants, no UAES funds can be used as the match.

In turn, a UAES project leader will be asked to do the following:

- Promptly submit the following project proposals and reports:

  o UAES Project Proposals, required for initiation of new projects. Instructions for completing a UAES Project Proposal can be found at: https://uaes.usu.edu/internal/project-support.

  o UAES Annual Project Reports (NIFA AD421), submitted through Digital Measures by **December 15** of each year. Operating funds and salaries for the coming year are dependent on approval of your AD421 report. Instructions for completing the UAES Annual Project Report can be found at: https://uaes.usu.edu/internal/project-support. Digital Measures is available at: https://www.digitalmeasures.com/login/usu/faculty/.

- The UAES director, the dean of your college and your department head will review outputs from UAES projects each year using *only* the annual project reports submitted through Digital Measures. Publication of refereed journal articles, presentations, external contracts and grants, and appropriate progress of graduate students are expectations of UAES projects. Continued funding depends on progress towards stated objectives as detailed in annual reports.

- UAES should be designated as your Research Center on all USU SP01 forms for contracts/grants. UAES will keep 3% of the total F&A (10% of the 30% returned F&A).

- Provide Peer Reviews on UAES Project Proposals submitted by other project leaders.