The purpose of the Faculty Training Award (FTA) is to help BGSU faculty obtain additional training in analytic skills, new data collection methods, use of a specific data set, or application of software. The expectation is that participation in the training, course, or other similar opportunity will be tied to a federal grant application that aligns with the NIH Population Dynamics Branch goals. The applications are due April 20th.

Each applicant will submit a vitae and a two-page (single spaced) request that includes all of the following: (1) a brief overview of the faculty member's research agenda; (2) details about the course or training (including weblinks); (3) an explanation of how this course or training will support the faculty member's research; (4) the link between the training and future grant activity; and (5) a brief budget. The criteria for selection of faculty projects include centrality to the mission of CFDR, potential impact of the training, link to future grant funding, and engagement in the Center. Applicants are encouraged to seek some level of departmental matching. Applicants should request funds within the range of $500-$1,500. The funds should be used to cover tuition, materials, and some travel expenses. These funds are not to be used to cover expenses associated with conference presentations.

Within three months of completing the program, each faculty member must submit a one-paragraph statement about how the training aided their research.

The deadline for submission is April 20. They should be submitted electronically to cfdr@bgsu.edu. The committee will review the applications and inform applicants within two weeks.

The director will organize a four-person committee that consists of the director, one faculty member who is not in conflict with the submissions, a member of the CFDR executive committee, and a member of the BGSU-sponsored program staff.