

## VI. CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING APPLICATIONS

In evaluating each proposal application, the Committee will use the following criteria and assign the associated values:

<u>Weighted Values</u>	<u>Factors Related to the Proposal</u>
25	<u>Scientific/Scholarly/Creative Merit:</u>  How significant is the project? Is this project original or creative? What is the potential contribution the project may make?
10	<u>Project Objectives:</u>  How clear is the Statement of Objectives? Can this project reasonably be expected to achieve the objectives within the proposed level-of-effort?
10	<u>Methods and Procedures:</u>  Is there a clear statement of the procedures to be used to achieve the objectives? Is there a proper application of the methods proposed? Are the methods likely to produce the results to satisfy the objectives of the proposed research?
10	<u>Budget:</u>  Is the budget reasonable, well thought out and clearly defined?
10	<u>Potential for Future Support:</u>  Has the P.I. had previous attempts to find extramural support for research, publication or creative/scholarly work? Are there pending proposals/submissions for extramural funding for research, publications or creative/scholarly works? Are there future plans that will result in extramural research funding, publication or production of creative/scholarly work? How probable is it that this CRG research proposal will lead to an extramural research grant, a publication or produce a scholarly work?

Weighted Values

Factors Related to the Investigator

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Faculty Experience:

Is the P.I. new faculty making it more difficult to compete for:

Extramural research funding;  
Successfully submitting for publication; or,  
The production of a creative/scholarly work? If so:

Is the applicant prepared to compete at this time?  
Will the proposed research project help fulfill the research  
aspect of P.I.'s career at Auburn University?

Is the P.I. senior faculty? If so:

Is the P.I. taking a significant new direction in research,  
writing or creative/scholarly work?  
Will the CRG help the P.I. make a career change at A.U.?

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Knowledge of Project Subject:

Has the P.I. properly reviewed published literature and  
demonstrated a clear understanding of the area of research  
needed to produce the proposed project?

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Faculty Background:

Is the research area consistent with training and/or experience  
reflected in the P.I.'s CV, dissertation, or publications?  
Is the proposed project in an area of the P.I.'s competence?