

Guidelines for Tartar Program – 2026

Applications must support graduate student stipends. Each faculty member is eligible to apply for up to two Tartar awards per year (only one per student, but two students per lab are eligible). **Applications must indicate the potential biomedical importance of the proposed research.** Awardees must be Oregon residents (6-month residency meets the requirement – official OSU designation of resident status is not required).

1. The awards are for microbiological projects related to human disease.
2. The awards will go to projects that have a high probability of finding new facts.
3. Preference will go to projects that are of practical importance. Pure theoretical research will be avoided.

Application Procedure

The proposal should be no more than one page and include sections with (1) a description of the project, (2) the significance and relation to human disease, (3) the expected new facts to be learned.

Principal Investigator Report:

A one-page report is due the term after the award is used. Crystal Qualls will prompt you for the report at the proper time. The report should be prepared by the faculty member and include a scientific summary (what was accomplished?). Submission of the report is a requirement for future Tartar funding.