

Grant Highlights Fiscal Year 2018 - 2019

- » **Ms. Chevonne Neal (TRIO Programs)** – Southeastern was awarded \$383,614 for Veterans Upwards Bound, a federally funded TRIO program that provides a wide range of services to honorably discharged veterans. Lack of services, low income and education levels, and other socioeconomic factors indicate that target area veterans need free academic support services in order to successfully pursue a program of postsecondary education. Based upon this need, this project has developed a set of objectives and operational plans that assist veterans in obtaining the skills and motivation necessary when pursuing a program of postsecondary education. Academic and career assessment, academic instruction and tutoring, enrollment and admissions services, and other enrichment activities are provided to veterans at the university’s main campus.
- » **Dr. Kenneth Tillman (College of Nursing and Health Sciences)** - Southeastern Louisiana University has been awarded a Veteran Nurses in Primary Care Health Resources and Services Administration grant. The three-year, \$1.2 million grant was awarded for the College of Nursing and Health Sciences project titled “Louisiana Increasing Opportunities for Nurse Veterans in Primary Care - LION VIP CARE.” LION VIP CARE will provide opportunities for veteran/military undergraduate nursing students to develop primary care competencies and complete community-based clinical training experiences in FQHCs and PHUs located in rural and medically underserved communities.
- » **Dr. Paula Calderon (College of Education)** - Southeastern was awarded \$534,000 for Educator Preparation (U.S. Prep). The overall goal of U.S. PREP is to produce exemplary new teachers for their partner school districts who outperform new teachers prepared in other teacher-preparation programs. U.S. PREP and its coalition members are expected to achieve several specific quality objectives, including preparing new teachers who possess exceptional content knowledge and teaching skills; developing a program culture focused on continuous improvement using outcome and design-based research data; ensuring teacher educator effectiveness is elevated through professional development programs based on solid research; enhancing the common school and university vision of preparation of teacher candidates through collaborative implementation.
- » **Dr. Mohammad Saadeh (Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology)** –As a part of LA Gear Up Southeastern was awarded a \$138,511 grant for STEAM Interactive Learning Experience (STILE). The purpose of LA Gear Up is to prepare students with the academic and leadership skills beneficial to succeeding in postsecondary education upon graduation from high school.
- » **Ms. Alison Pelegrin (Department of English)** –Southeastern English instructor and nationally-recognized poet Alison Pelegrin has received a \$34,000 grant from LA Artists and Scholars to fund the completion of her fifth poetry collection Feast Days.