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Dear Faculty Colleagues,

Discovering new knowledge through research and innovation in student affairs is a critical part of NASPA's mission, facilitated through the NASPA Foundation, in conjunction with the Faculty Fellows and the Research Division. Today we are pleased to announce that, effective immediately, the NASPA Foundation will consider applications for funding research projects up to \$50,000. As you may be aware, the NASPA Foundation recently completed a million dollar campaign where increasing support for research and scholarship was one of the *Campaign for NASPA's* primary goals.

This decision reflects the critical importance of research to the advancement of the student affairs profession and our commitment to finding ways to better meet your needs, based on feedback we have received from you. We are excited about the opportunity to now support a number of larger and important projects that have the potential to significantly impact the field of student affairs. At the same time, we will continue to fund smaller grants that also contribute greatly to knowledge and innovation.

The deadline for research proposals from NASPA members is July 1. The Foundation invites proposals encompassing all aspects of the field of student affairs. In particular, the Foundation seeks to support research in the areas identified by the Foundation, Faculty Fellows, and the NASPA Research Division. A listing of issues in these critical areas for research, as well as information on grant applications, is available at <http://www.naspa.org/fdn/grants.cfm>

You, our faculty members, are vitally important to NASPA and the field of student affairs. The voice of faculty within NASPA continues to grow through the Faculty Fellows, who play a key role in increasing programming and activities at the annual conference and other professional development opportunities, giving direction to NASPA's research priorities and initiatives, and promoting and contributing to scholarship. We encourage and look forward to your involvement and your ideas. NASPA and the NASPA Foundation want to support your work as we look to the future of the profession.

Sincerely,

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