

PHHP Generative AI Incubator

Advancing AI in Public Health and Health Professions through UF NavigatorAI

Overview

The College invites applications for projects that advance the Artificial Intelligence (AI) in public health and health professions, covering foundational, applied, ethical aspects, and embracing interdisciplinarity. This initiative leverages UF NavigatorAI, a generative AI platform designed to support teaching, research, and innovation at UF (<https://ai.ufl.edu/teaching-with-ai/for-uf-faculty/navigator/>).

Awards will consist of NavigatorAI credits (average \$500 per project) to enable faculty and students to explore AI-driven solutions, with optional support for conference / publication costs (maximum \$500 per award). Approximately 4-5 awards will be released each fiscal year. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and awards are made on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are available.

Eligibility and Scope

- PHHP faculty and students (with mentor's approval)
- Projects must demonstrate clear relevance to public health or health professions, meaningful use of NavigatorAI, and feasibility within 6-12 months

Application Requirements

Submit a single-page application (11pt font, minimum 0.5-inch margins) including:

1. Abstract (max 100 words)
2. Project description
 - Importance
 - Approach, including explicit description of how NavigatorAI will be employed
3. Expected outcomes / deliverables
4. Dissemination strategy and follow-up plans
5. Timeline (with specific milestones for a 6-12-month period)

If the applicant is a student, provide separately a mentor's approval statement (it can be a letter signed by the mentor or a UF-originated e-mail)

Review Process

- Applications are reviewed by the Dean's Office under the oversight of the Associate Dean for AI and Innovation
- Packets will be routed to one or more reviewers for evaluation
- Each applicant will receive written feedback, and the Associate Dean can provide additional guidance.

Award Conditions

- Selected projects must be presented at the next PPHP AI Days
- Abstract and paper submissions are strongly encouraged
 - If accepted for oral presentation or publication in an indexed journal, an additional \$500 will be provided for conference or article processing fees
- NavigatorAI credits will be released via a team account (students may need to be under their mentor's account) with the help of PPHP IT and fiscal office
- Team credits will remain active until the project is presented at PPHP AI Days
 - If an abstract/paper/grant is under review, credits may be extended for up to one additional year
- After project closure, team credits will expire
- Any publication must acknowledge PPHP Dean's Office and UF IT support

Submission

Submit your packet as PDF to: apriloneal3@ufl.edu

Important Notice

For a limited time, NavigatorAI credits are provided free of charge by UF IT; independent requests may also be directed to UF IT. This RFA is intended to provide additional scientific and fiscal assistance, including technical design support, billing setup, and publication support. The program is planned to continue beyond the expiration of UF IT's complimentary credit offering.