



What is HARP?

Horizontally Accelerated Research Programs (HARP)

The Harp is one of the oldest musical instruments in human evolution. The perpendicular juxtaposition of the strings to the sound board and bow, the individual expression of its physical form, and orchestral representation of many notes across a wide dynamic range makes the harp an excellent symbol for a new initiative that will connect researchers across campus, creating a new symphony of research opportunity and accelerating programs that will propel CSU onto a global land-grant stage.

Goal: The HARP initiative's goal is to stimulate, through internal competitive funding programs, new diverse funding opportunities based on multidisciplinary high impact ideas. Collaborative teams will be empowered and enabled through one and two year funds that will provide resources to seek diverse funding opportunities external to CSU.

Measures of Success: It is envisioned that at the end of HARP funding, successful teams will be funded by diverse sponsors and combinations from government, industry, and non-profit foundations. Teams that assemble will explore transformative ideas and ultimately generate external funding at a rate of 10-20X on the HARP investments. Additional administrative support for BOW programs could be provided through a new OVPR Research Development and Complex Proposal Center.