The Pension Research Council and Boettner Center, the Leonard Davis Institute and Center for Health Incentives and Behavioral Economics, the Population Aging Research Center, and the Population Studies Center invite investigators to submit pilot proposals for the annual FY 2021-2022 Quartet Pilot Research Project competition. Please share this announcement with researchers who might be interested.

Pilot funds are targeted to support small-scale, innovative or exploratory projects with a duration of one year. Funded projects must have the potential to generate academic publications and priority will be given to projects with potential to develop small-scale or preliminary research findings that would lead to applications for extramural funding, especially to the National Institutes of Health.

Total costs are generally limited to $10,000-$20,000 per application; however, larger budgets may be considered if the project is well-suited for generating applications for NIH funding.

ELIGIBILITY
Any faculty or researcher with an active appointment at the University of Pennsylvania is eligible to submit a proposal. Colleagues at other universities may be co-investigators as long as a member of the Penn research community is the Principal Investigator. Early career scholars are encouraged to apply and priority consideration will be given to their applications.

Funds can be used to support undergraduate or graduate research assistants, summer salary, data collection, analyses of secondary data sets, and publication costs. For questions or assistance, please contact: Abby Dolinger (abdol@sas.upenn.edu).

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES
Submission documents and guidelines can be found at: https://parc.pop.upenn.edu/Quartet-pilot-project-competition. Submit your proposal at: https://www.med.upenn.edu/apps/itmat/pg/apply.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE
Monday, March 22, 2021

Proposals focusing on Population Health, Life-Course and Healthy Aging in the following areas are encouraged:
- New Dynamics of Population Diversity (population composition, migration, race, health inequality, aging and mortality)
- Human Resources and Endowments
- International Population Research
- Population and the Environment
- Big Data and Population Science
- Health Disparities in Aging
- Health Care and Long-Term Care in Older Adults
- Cognition and Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementia (ADRD)
- Early-Life Conditions and Older Adult Health, Behavior and Well-Being
- Global Aging and Health
- COVID-19 and Aging

Quartet Information and Training Sessions
February 5, 2021, 2-4 PM | "Accessing and Using Aging Data at Penn" via Zoom
February 26, 2021, 2-4 PM | "Why Should I Write An NIH Grant? & Other Related Topics" via Zoom