

AYSPS

Establishing new centers

New research centers are vetted by the AYSPS Management and Academic Programs Committees, which provide feedback for the center sponsor and recommendations to the Dean. If approved by the Dean, the proposal is vetted by the University Administrative Council for approval at the University level.

Within AYSPS, the process is as follows:

- Development and presentation of a business plan for the new center to include at a minimum:
 - The value proposition—what does the center add?
 - The main goals and objectives of the new center
 - Identification of synergies with departments, colleges, and other centers (in AYSPS and GSU)
 - Regional and national competitors and collaborators
 - Fit with University and AYSPS strategic plans
 - Faculty and research associates involved
 - How will students be engaged in the center?
 - A two and five year budget plans to include information regarding:
 - Operating budget
 - Plan for development of external support
 - Level of internal funding sought
 - Staffing needs and funding plan
 - Five year plan of activities, impact, and outcome metrics
- The Management Committee and Academic Programs provides feedback on the business plan to the sponsor.
- The Dean reviews the proposal the with center sponsor and evaluates the value added, fiscal sustainability, and impact of the new center on overall resources in AYSPS and makes a determination to bring it to the University community.