
Research and Service Foundation

The mission of the Columbus State University Research and Service Foundation is to promote, encourage and aid the conduct of scientific, scholarly, creative and educational research and activities, and the dissemination of knowledge in furtherance of the mission of Columbus State University. Established in 2011, the Foundation provides a vehicle for assessing, protecting, and commercializing intellectual property created by CSU faculty, staff and students, and rewarding the creators per the University's Intellectual Property Policy.

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