Call for Proposals: Humanities Facilitating Fund

Basic Information
Title: Humanities Facilitating Fund (HFF)
Award Period: July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021
Purpose: To provide funding for the promotion of scholarship in the humanities at GW
Deadlines: Proposals due by 12:00 p.m. EDT, Thursday, March 26, 2020
Eligibility: Regular-status faculty in humanities disciplines (including arts and Corcoran faculty).
Amounts: Awards are up to $5,000, but successful applicants may be awarded less than the amount they apply for in order to fund as many deserving applicants as possible.
Contact: Questions can be sent to Prof. Lynn Westwater, lww@gwu.edu, or Prof. Jamie Cohen-Cole, jcohencole@gwu.edu.

Program Description
The goal of the Humanities Facilitating Fund (HFF) is to provide funding that promotes the generation of original scholarship by faculty in the humanities at GW.

Eligibility Criteria
HFF principal investigators must be regular-status faculty in humanities disciplines as defined by the Columbian College of Arts and Sciences. Faculty from the Corcoran School of the Arts and Design are eligible to apply.

Review Criteria
Proposals will be judged on the following criteria:

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<td>Importance of Proposed Expenditures for Research Project</td>
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Budget
Awards will be limited to $5,000. Allowable costs include:
- Service costs (such as mapmaking or image rights) so long as they are important to the project
- Travel so long as it is important to the project and can be justified
- Supplies so long as they are important to project and can be justified
- Student support (requests must explain the student’s role in the overall research plan)
- Publication fees or subventions (requests must show necessity of paying such fees)
Application Procedures
The application should be no longer than one page, and should include:
1) A summary of the project and its significance
2) A description of the items for which HFF support is necessary
3) A budget
4) A listing of other GW sources of funding (UFF, CCFF, CCAS Nick-of-Time, CCAS Extended Travel Funds, etc.) for which you have applied in the last year and the outcome of those applications.

Applications must be submitted in .doc, .docx, or .pdf formats, and uploaded into the OVPR-InfoReady application portal along with completed required information fields. Applications are due by 12:00 p.m. EDT on Thursday, March 26, 2020.

For questions regarding the OVPR-InfoReady system, contact reshelp@gwu.edu. All programmatic and eligibility questions should be directed to Prof. Lynn Westwater, llww@gwu.edu, or Prof Jamie Cohen-Cole, jcohencole@gwu.edu.

Review Process
Applications will be reviewed by members of the Humanities Advisory Committee of the Vice President for Research or its designee. All applicants will be notified of the award results by the end of April. Keep in mind that funds may not be transferred to recipients’ departments until after June 30, 2020, though pre-award spending may be eligible for HFF reimbursement if it complies with OVPR’s Guidelines for Intramural Funding and is approved by the department/school. Awardees should work with their departmental administrator or school finance director if pre-award spending is requested.

Award Administration
OVPR will transfer the award funds to the recipients’ departments. All award expenses should be charged to those departments. HFF recipients are expected to expend the award funds in a manner consistent with the approved budget and in keeping with the university’s policies. At the conclusion of the award period, HFF recipients will submit a status report of no more than one page detailing the outcomes of the project and how the award funds were spent. If the HFF recipient does not provide a final report, they will not be eligible for the following FY. Publications that result from the award should acknowledge the HFF.

FUNDED PROPOSALS INVOLVING HUMAN RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS, USE OF ANIMALS, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, AND RADIATION SOURCES must be approved through the Office of Human Research, Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), and/or Office of Laboratory Safety before the actual research begins. For more information, consult these pages:
- Office of Human Research
- Office of Animal Research
- Office of Laboratory Safety

Patents and inventions may arise from work performed and should be disclosed to the university. For more information, consult the Technology Commercialization Office.