2019-2020 ARHU Faculty Funds Competition

The College of Arts and Humanities announces the 2019-2020 Faculty Funds Competition Call for Proposals. ARHU offers conference grants, innovation grants (formerly called seed grants), subvention funding, and new this year, summer fellowships for tenure track faculty. Priority will be given to faculty members who have not received ARHU grants in the past academic year. Applications will be accepted fall and spring deadlines: **Friday, October 11, 2019,** and **Friday, March 6, 2020.** Examples of past funded proposals can be found in the [ARHU Proposal Library](#). Faculty are encouraged to revise and resubmit past unfunded proposals for future awards.

Conference Grants: Grants of up to $2,000 will support the costs of hosting a professional academic conference on the University of Maryland campus between the time of submission and June 2021. TTK and PTK faculty members in ARHU academic units are eligible to apply. Conferences must target or be accessible to an audience beyond the students and faculty of the applicant's department. ARHU encourages conferences related to this year's campus wide theme of *Civic Innovation.*

Innovation Grants: Grants of up to $5,000 will be awarded for a) piloting ideas that support a faculty's individual, creative, or scholarly professional success; **or** b) preliminary work necessary to enable an investigator or team to apply for external funding. Successful applications will demonstrate direct connection between proposed work and the faculty member's professional advancement at UMD. An itemized budget is required. Funds are intended for research and creative expenses such as hiring assistants, studio or rehearsal costs, materials, archival work, research travel, etc. TTK and PTK faculty are eligible to apply.

Subvention Funds: Funds can cover costs required by a publisher that are assigned to faculty, such as reproduction of images. Up to $2,000 may be requested. Both TTK and PTK faculty are eligible. Preference will be given to faculty preparing a book (or equivalent product) for tenure review, and faculty preparing a book (or equivalent product) for promotion to full professor or for promotion to Senior or Principal Lecturer. A matching funds commitment is required. In addition to application materials, subvention requests must include a department letter of support and a copy of the publisher contract or letter of understanding.

New! **Junior Faculty Summer Fellowship** (Spring Deadline Only): Tenure track assistant professors are eligible to apply for a $3,500 summer fellowship. Up to three fellowships may be awarded. The fellowship will be provided as summer salary; an itemized budget is not required. Applications should specifically demonstrate how a fellowship will enable the faculty member to make significant progress in a scholarly project necessary for their tenure and promotion.

Required application documents:

1. Project Description (two pages maximum, single-spaced with one-inch margins and at least 11-point font): Please identify the proposed project's objectives, methods or procedures, and significance or expected impact on both the faculty member's professional development and their larger field in arts and/or humanities.

2. Timeline (one page maximum): List project elements and note when each task will be accomplished during the funding period.

3. Budget and Justification (one page maximum): For all applications except for new summer fellowship, please provide an itemized budget and justification for planned expenditures. The budget and justification should demonstrate that all project elements and associated costs have been anticipated. Budget categories will vary depending on the project. Include any other sources of funding support and whether those funds are committed or pending.

Submission Process:

Combine all application materials into a single PDF file and submit electronically by 5 pm on the deadline date. The electronic submission form and instructions can be found at http://apply.arhu.umd.edu

Reporting Requirements:

Awardees will acknowledge ARHU in any reports, presentations, and materials produced by the funding. Successful applicants will receive specific guidance in their award letter.