The College of Arts and Humanities announces the 2018-2019 Faculty Grant Competition Call for Proposals. Tenure-track and professional track faculty are eligible to apply. ARHU offers conference grants, seed grants and subvention funding. Due to budget constraints, priority will be given to faculty from units that are not currently receiving operational funding from the Dean’s office. Please see below for details. There is a fall and spring deadline for all applications: Friday, October 12, 2018, and Friday March 8, 2019.

Conference Grants:
Grants of up to $2,000 will support the costs of hosting a conference that takes place on the University of Maryland campus between the time of application submission and June 2020. To be eligible for funding, conferences must target -- or at minimum, be accessible to -- an audience beyond the applicant’s own department. For this year, ARHU encourages conference topics that relate to the topics of immigration, migration, and refugees.

Seed Grants:
Seed grants of up to $5,000 will be provided for a) piloting ideas that support a faculty’s individual, creative or scholarly professional success; or/and b) preliminary work necessary to enable an investigator or team of investigators to apply for external funding.

Subvention Funds:
Funds will be awarded for costs required by a publisher that are assigned to the faculty member, such as reproduction of images. Up to $2,000 may be requested. Preference will be given first to faculty preparing a book for tenure review, second to faculty preparing a second book for promotion to full. An award comes with the stipulation that the awarded funds be matched, preferably by your department. In addition to the below application materials, subvention requests must include a letter of support from the department and a copy of the contract or letter of understanding from publisher.

Division of Research “The Maryland Catalyst Fund” (Formerly Tier Program): The UMD Division of Research Tier Grants program has been revised, and is now the Maryland Catalyst Fund, with several options for faculty to submit proposals. Matching costs are required from your department, the college, or in some combination. Please contact Linda Aldoory, laldoory@umd.edu, if you are planning on requesting matching funds from the college. Deadlines for proposal submission vary, please see more information at the following webpage: https://research.umd.edu/development/MarylandCatalystFund

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For All ARHU Faculty Funds FY19 Applications, Please Provide:

1. Abstract: Provide a 100-word (maximum) abstract that includes the title and purpose of the project, the intended audience (if conference), collaborators, and a summary timeline for implementation.

2. Project description and timeline: not to exceed two single-spaced pages, with one-inch margins and at least 11-point font. The description should clearly provide the objectives for the proposed project, methods or procedures, and the significance or expected impact on both the faculty member’s professional development and the larger field of arts and/or humanities. If seeking subsequent external funding, provide specifics about an external funding agency and any indication of the promise of funding from such sources.

   A third page should be a timeline, where you will clearly list when each task will be accomplished during the funding period.

3. Budget and Justification: Please provide a budget and justification for the planned expenditures. The budget and justification should demonstrate that you have thought through all aspects of your project and the costs associated with them. Budget categories will vary depending on the project. Please include any other sources of funding that will be supporting the project and whether those funds are committed or pending.

Submission Process:

All application materials must be in one PDF file and must be submitted 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:

At the minimum, it will be expected that awardees acknowledge ARHU in any reports and documents produced by the funding. Successful applicants will receive guidance in the award letter pertaining to additional reporting requirements that depend on the project.