

Center for the Study of Diversity

Graduate Research Grant Program

Diversity is an "integral and vital part of everyday life and a cornerstone value of our University" ("Guiding Principles," UD Path to Prominence). The mission of the Center for the Study of Diversity (CSD) is to promote academic research and scholarship that facilitate dialogues about and understanding of the social and academic impact of diversity. The Center brings a broadly interdisciplinary focus to its activities, projects, programs, and publications on research and analysis, training, public scholarship and community projects, and information dissemination. The goal of these activities is to: 1) generate and transmit scholarship about specific diversity-related issues both at UD and beyond; 2) fund faculty research and projects related to diversity; 3) bring outstanding researchers and scholarship; 5) apply scholarship of Center faculty to community issues, and 5) assist the President's Diversity Initiative and Diversity and Equity Commission in identifying diversity objectives and information needs for the University.

The purpose of the Center for the Study of Diversity (CSD) Faculty Grant Program is to promote the implementation of **broadly interdisciplinary** scholarly activities that will benefit the university campus and/or the local community, and further the CSD mission.

To facilitate wider understanding of the social and academic impacts of diversity, and to promote diversity within our community, the Center offers small grants to support research/analysis and public scholarship projects in a wide range of disciplines, including the arts, humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences.

A total of \$10,000 in small grants from \$250 to \$1500 will be awarded to UD graduate students to support worthy projects in the following areas:

- <u>Public Scholarship</u> Scholarly based projects that extend beyond the walls of the University. Examples might include:
 - Action Research with K-12 Teachers
 - o Collaboration with a local museum to develop an oral history exhibition
 - Development and implementation of strategies to foster physical activity in at-risk adolescent females
- <u>Research/Data Analysis</u> Original research, secondary data analysis, including dissertations.
- <u>Policy Analysis/ Research</u> Analysis of policy implications of diversity-related documents/ published papers, public and/or campus policies, and institutional programs.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to seek matching funds from their departments.



Proposals will be evaluated by the following criteria:

- Clarity and quality of proposal
- Relevance to CSD mission
- Collaboration and partnerships
- Impact (e.g. number of people; sustainability; potential for funding)
- Relevance to campus and surrounding community
- Budget appropriate to complete the project
- Support from department or other unit

To apply, please submit the following materials as one PDF file or Word document:

- A. Coversheet (see page 4 of this document)
- B. Proposal of no more than 1500 words, including a 500-word project description
- C. Budget
- D. Letter of support from faculty advisor

Additionally, please submit the following as a separate file:

E. Curriculum vitae

Requirements for the application documents are on the following page.

Deadline to apply: Friday, December 6, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Applicants will be notified of the success of their proposals on January 15, 2014. The grant funding will begin on February 15, 2014, and funds will need to be used within two years. Grant recipients will be expected to submit a progress report and provide an update at a Center for the Study of Diversity faculty meeting in Fall of 2014.

Please email the coversheet and materials to Bess Davis at <u>esdavis@udel.edu</u>. Thank you.

James M. Jones Director, Center for the Study of Diversity



Proposal Requirements

A. The coversheet (see page 3 of this document) should be attached to the top of your application.

- B. Please submit a proposal with the following sections:
 - I. Title
- II. Project Description (500 words). Must contain the following information:
 - a. Problem statement or project focus
 - b. Objectives
 - c. Participants/targeted groups
 - d. Methods, procedure, or approach
 - e. Expected outcomes
 - f. Potential benefits of your project and relevance to the CSD mission and the wider community
- III. Timeline
- IV. Assessment (if applicable)
- V. Dissemination goals
- VI. Sustainability goals

C. Please submit a budget with justification for expenses associated with your project.

The budget may include the following:

- 1. Travel to sites
- 2. Supplies
- 3. Other

Please note that the proposal *including* description and budget should not exceed 1500 words. Note that attachments may be added and are NOT included in the word count.

D. Support letter from faculty advisor. Please indicate any matching funds.

E. Attach your curriculum vitae as a separate file.



Cover sheet

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Full name:
Department:
Email address:
Title of project:

Please fill out this cover sheet and include it in a PDF file or Word document with your proposal and budget. Your final application should contain the following materials:

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- □ Cover sheet
- □ Proposal
- □ Budget
- □ Letter of support from faculty advisor
- □ Curriculum vitae (in a separate file)

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