

Call for Proposals Director's Fund for Excellence

Purpose

The Director's Fund for Excellence awards are intended to provide support for short-term collaborative projects. These projects will deliver campus-wide results, such as symposia, conferences, and workshops that are attended and organized by colleagues (including students) from multiple departments and colleges. These projects focus on interdisciplinarity by either deploying interdisciplinary methodologies or, in the case of a conference, providing a platform for scholars to share their research. In the past, awards have supported interdisciplinary conferences and symposia, public engagement events, and visiting researchers and speakers sponsored by multiple departments.

Award Amount

Up to \$1,500

Eligibility

The Director's Fund for Excellence awards are available to UA faculty and graduate students in the Colleges of Fine Arts, Humanities, and Social Behavioral Sciences.

Deadlines

Individuals or teams seeking an award may submit no more than one application per academic year. Although applications can be submitted at any time, the review panel convenes only twice each year to review proposals and make awards. For this reason, applicants should note the deadlines listed on the website.

Requirements

All applications should include the following information:

1. A project description (500 words max).
2. An itemized budget that accounts for all project activities. The budget should note any matching funds received, pending funding requests to other institutions, and/or outside funding that has already been secured.
3. A letter of commitment or support from the head of the applicant's unit.
4. Applications must be submitted electronically, as a single PDF file, using the "Apply" tab on the Confluentcenter's website.

Submission

Using the "Application Form" tab on the Director's Fund for Excellence web page, download and complete an application form. Please add all of the information requested, include a letter of commitment from the head of your department or unit, and save everything as a single PDF file.

Using the "Apply" tab located on the Director's Fund for Excellence web page, upload and submit your single PDF file application. Please note that you cannot create an account, and come back to upload a file at a later point in time. You must provide all of the required information at one time.

Selection

Awards are granted at the discretion of the Confluentcenter Director and a review panel. Review panels look most favorably on projects that further the Confluentcenter's intellectual mission, collaborative spirit, and interdisciplinary initiatives. All decisions are final. Applicants who do not receive an award are welcome to submit a new or revised proposal twelve months after their initial application.

Acknowledgments

All awardees must acknowledge the Center's support in any publications made possible by the Director's Fund for Excellence and display the Confluentcenter logo in any project-related publicity. Contact the Confluentcenter for access to the logo.

Promotion

The Confluentcenter would like to help promote your project/event, please send the following information to Jamie Manser JLManser@email.arizona.edu, at least three weeks before your event.

Date, Time, Location
Title, Description (2-3 sentences), Cost
Website, contact info (email/phone)
JPEG images, or any other pertinent information

In addition, the Confluentcenter reserves the right to include information and/or photographs related to your project/event on our web site, or in any printed materials produced by the Confluentcenter.

Contact

If you have any questions about eligibility or application procedures, please submit them via the contact form on the Confluentcenter's website, or call 520-621-5137.