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HUMANITIES CENTER

Call for Proposals
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Pilot category II: Humanities Center *Integrating Humanities* Grants (for AY 2020-21)

Integrating Humanities grants bring faculty and students from different departments or programs together in the **organization of events (e.g., speakers series and symposia)** dedicated to one of the "big questions" the humanities, broadly conceived, address. Examples include but are not limited to: fundamental questions regarding the human condition, questions regarding the role of the human within society, or issues at the core of human practices (scientific, artistic, etc.).

Funds are available to organize an event or series of events, open to everyone, which will give faculty and students opportunities to see an issue or set of related issues being addressed from a multiplicity of different humanities-related perspectives. Such events should also become an opportunity for students (e.g., more advanced students and majors from different programs) to be involved in the events' organization, be true participants in the conversation, and interact with their teachers and the invited scholars in more informal contexts.

Essential Details

HC Integrating Humanities Grants

- Open to all faculty.
- Require the involvement of at least three faculty, with at least two from different departments or programs.
- Faculty may be affiliated to any academic department or program on campus, provided that the proposed project has a clear bearing on the Humanities.
- Interdepartmental/inter-program outreach and collaboration, in addition to what already represented by the faculty organizers, is strongly encouraged.
- Grants available for up to \$7,500 *per proposal*. Grant size determined according to needs and number of faculty involved in the project.
- Grants to be used for the expenses related to the initiatives (e.g., speakers' honoraria and travel expenses, advertising, food catering, etc.).
- Seeking co-sponsorships from academic departments, programs, or initiatives is strongly encouraged.
- Proposals will be judged by a committee comprising the Humanities Department Heads, or a subcommittee appointed by them.

How to Apply

Proposals should comprise a

- i) Title for the project (please add in parentheses “Pilot category II”);
- ii) 30-word project description;
- iii) 500-word explanation of the project. Please explain to a general academic audience the event(s) proposed, the scholarly objective(s) sought, the disciplinary backgrounds relevant to the project, all the relevant details regarding the proposed events (e.g., names and affiliations of prospective speakers), any further possible goals of the project (e.g., a symposium may lead to subsequent, future events, publications, etc. – not covered by the grant but nonetheless envisioned by the applicants as possibilities);
- iv) estimated budget (itemized);
- v) names, departmental/programmatic affiliations, and email addresses of the faculty proposing the project;

Deadline for first round of grants: September 14, 2020

Submission: Proposals should be sent *as a PDF file* to humanitiescenter@lafayette.edu

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