

## **CRADLE: CREATIVE AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES DEVELOPMENT AND ENRICHMENT INITIATIVE V**

The Office of the Provost and the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) invite applications for the 2017 CRADLE VI initiative. Up to 10 fellows will be selected to participate for two years, beginning in fall 2017, with preference to tenure-track faculty.

### **Purpose**

CRADLE aims to develop competitive external proposals to support multiyear research projects and creative activities. Fellows will receive assistance from both internal and external consultants to improve their grantsmanship and to articulate a 5-year career plan that incorporates proven strategies for developing and funding superior research and creative activities.

### **Award**

Fellows will receive group and individual training with grants consultant David Bauer over the two-year period as well as assistance from ORSP staff. They will also receive a \$5K summer stipend to focus on the program, half in the summer between the first and second years and the other half at the end of the second year, as well as a \$1K travel supplement. Receipt of the stipend is contingent on workshop attendance and participation each year.

### **Program**

Fellows will contract with the Office of the Provost and ORSP to participate as follows:

#### September 2017:

- Attend part one of an intensive two-part grants seminar
- Participate in an individual interview with the grants consultant to clarify proposal agenda and professional development plan (PDP)

*1-on-1 Meetings - Wednesday, September 13, 2017*

*Federal Winning Grants Seminar - Friday, September 15, 2017 (8:30 - 1:00)*

#### November 2017:

- Attend part two of an intensive two-part grants seminar
- Participate in an individual interview with the grants consultant to review progress on the PDP
- Develop a project outline for approval as potentially fundable by the grants consultant
- Identify three top scholars in the field who might be approached for proposal review

*1-on-1 Meetings – Thursday, November 30, 2017*

*Foundation and Corporate Grants Seminar – Friday, December 1, 2017 (8:30 – 1:00)*

#### April 2018:

- Participate in a half-day seminar on Quality Circles\*
- Participate in an individual interview with the grants consultant to review and adapt PDP strategies
- Establish phone or email contact with at least one scholar who will serve as a proposal mentor
- Refine white paper into 5-10 page scope-of-work
- Identify potential funding sources and develop letters of inquiry, making site visits to top scholars and funding sources as necessary

*1-on-1 Meetings - Thursday, April 5, 2018*

*Quality Circle Training - Friday, April 6, 2018 (9:00 - 12:30)*

*\*Participants will be expected to put their proposals through a quality circle improvement exercise and assist other CRADLE Fellows by acting as participant reviewers or a quality circle leader*

Summer 2018:

- Develop full proposal for submission to funding source
- Have proposal reviewed by proposal mentor
- Have proposal reviewed and approved by grants consultant
- Make site visits to top scholars and funding sources as necessary

September 2018:

- Participate in an individual interview with the grants consultant
- Participate in a half-day seminar on Forming Productive Groups and Teams
- Refine and submit proposals not submitted in the summer

*1-on-1 Meetings - Thursday, September 13, 2018*

*Team Building Workshop - Friday, September 14, 2018 (9:00 - 12:30)*

November 2018:

- Participate in an individual interview with the grants consultant
- Discuss proposal reviews/feedback as received
- Refine and resubmit proposals for funding

*1-on-1 Meetings - Wednesday, November 28, 2018*

April 2019:

- Participate in an individual interview with the grants consultant
- Discuss proposal reviews/feedback as received
- Refine and resubmit proposals for funding

*1-on-1 Meetings - Wednesday, April 3, 2019*

September 2019:

- Participate in an individual interview with the grants consultant
- Discuss proposal reviews/feedback as received
- Refine and submit proposals for funding

*1-on-1 Meetings - Wednesday, September 11, 2019*

Application forms (attached) should be submitted electronically to Susan Edwards (edwardss@wfu.edu) by 5 P.M. on 31 March 2017. Applicants will be notified of selection in May 2017.