

Localize Your Course Summer Planning Grant

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Two summer stipends of \$3,000 each will be awarded for Summer 2021 to selected faculty members who want to localize one of their courses.

The Office of the Dean of the College invites proposals from faculty who want to transform an existing course into one that is locally engaged and/or that addresses issues that are significant and important for the local community. “Locally engaged” courses are broadly defined, and faculty members should consider how this grant can help support current and ongoing research interests.

Courses that focus on public research and experiential learning are particularly effective for generating new insights into long-standing structural problems at the local level. As such, this grant provides an opportunity for faculty to focus their research interests on issues that are critically important for members of the local community, including but not limited to, housing and gentrification, environmental justice, environmental degradation, pollution, political activism, food insecurity, migrants and refugees, K-12 education, and the history of racism.

Submission Guidelines

Interested faculty members should submit a one-page proposal including

1. Your name and department;
2. The title of the proposed course;
3. A narrative overview that explains how the course addresses issues of local concern and how it promotes engaged research and/or experiential learning;
4. A draft of possible student learning outcomes;
5. A brief, preliminary assessment strategy for measuring the success of the course;
6. The semester when you anticipate offering the course. Please consult with your department chair regarding your plans. Grant funded courses must be taught during the Fall 2021 or Spring 2022 semesters.

Proposal Deadline: 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 29, 2021

Please submit proposals to Associate Dean Eric Stottlemyer. A committee will make the final selection.