

Office of the Vice President for Research

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: John Marshall University Summer Scholars Awards Summer 2018

(DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: December 1, 2017)

Provost Ormiston has announced the availability of funds sponsored by his office to create the University-wide John Marshall University Scholars Award program. This program provides full-time probationary tenure-track and tenured faculty members, at any rank, and librarians with a \$6,500 stipends for the summer to pursue original creative work, scholarship or research. This award may be paired with a sabbatical semester to enable a longer period to devote to a project.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants must be full time probationary tenure-track or tenured faculty members or librarians at Marshall University
- Faculty recipients must be able to devote the full period of the award to the proposed project. Therefore, recipients cannot teach or accept overload assignments during the award period.
- Faculty are only eligible for one award—academic year or summer (see accompanying RFP)—within a three-year period. They may apply for both simultaneously.

PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS

The proposed project can involve research, design, development, field study, creative work or performance. The project should be structured so that the awardee can produce creative or scholarly o utput (e.g., a presentation, a paper ready for publication submission, exhibit, or performance) at the end of the summer award period.

DUE DATE

Complete applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday December 1, 2017. Please send a .pdf version of your application by email to plumleya@marshall.edu

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

A University Committee chartered by the Provost, chaired by the Vice President for Research, and composed of a representative from each college, will review the proposals as prioritized by the originating colleges and select the projects that will be funded under this program.

NUMBER OF AWARDS ANTICIPATED- Nine \$6,500 stipends will be awarded for the Summer of 2018.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS- Mid-January 2018

FINAL REPORT - Due September 2018 to Dean and CWSA

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Proposals should be written with minimal use of jargon.

The project proposal should not exceed five single-spaced pages. The faculty member's name, college and project title should appear in the header on each page. The appendices and attachments are not included in the length restriction.

The following format should be followed:

- **1.Applicant Information** The title of the project, the faculty member's name, 901#, email address, department and college should be provided.
- **2.Project Description.** This section should consist of a clear layman's description of the project and its significance. Since proposals will be reviewed by faculty with subject matter expertise but not necessarily with direct involvement in the proposed area of study, careful consideration should be given to giving a concise description of the "what" and "so what" of the proposal.
- **3.Methodology.** Provide a description of how the scholarly/research topic is to be investigated or the creative activity is to be conducted. What steps are involved? What sources and resources will be used?
- **4.Outcomes.** Provide a description of the anticipated outcomes associated with the project, e.g., a conference paper, report, journal article ready for submission, exhibition or performance.
- **5.Budget.** Include a short paragraph describing how the project funds will be used. **If the proposed project includes anticipated travel related to the project, please indicate how travel costs will be covered.**
- **6.Appendices, Attachments.** If appropriate, the applicant should include copies of relevant materials such as questionnaires to be used and any other forms as appropriate.

Evaluation Criteria:

Creative or Scientific Significance and Potential- 35 points
Creative or Scientific Originality-35 points
Clarity of the Proposal and Methodology-15 points
Likelihood of the proposed work being accomplished in the time described-15 points