

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS:
John Marshall University Summer Scholars Awards
Summer 2021**

(DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: November 6, 2020)

Provost Taylor has announced the availability of funds sponsored by his office to continue 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 stipend for the summer to cover any and all costs associated with a project 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. Medical School faculty are not eligible.
- 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 from this program, whether it be for the academic year or summer, within a three-year period.

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 output (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 November 6, 2020. 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 2019.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS- early December 2020

FINAL REPORT - Due September 2021 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

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