

# **Provost's Initiative**

### **Community Engaged Research Partnership Development Grants**

#### Application Process

The Office of the Provost and the Office of Community Engagement invites applicants to seek funding for the Community Engaged Research Partnership Development Grant. This grant will provide a stipend to a faculty member and community organization to forge a new community engaged research partnership that produces a research pilot project in response to a mutually-identified community need. The purpose of this stipend is to expand the number of bi-directional, community engaged research partnerships. Submitted projects should include a predetermined faculty member/community partner in Milwaukee County, and respond to one of the following key community issues: health, education, incarceration, and/or poverty.

Proposals will be reviewed and selected by a committee comprised of faculty and community members.

Proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Quality of the proposed research pilot project as demonstrated through the agenda
- Emphasis on bi-directional, mutually beneficial nature of the partnership
- Strength of infrastructure for the partnership
- Sustainability of the partnership (external funding, financially self-sustaining)

**ELIGIBILITY:** All Marquette faculty are encouraged to apply.

ALLOWABLE EXPENSES: The Office of the Provost will provide faculty members/community

organizations up to a \$5,000 stipend for the development and execution of a clear research pilot project, and strong partnership. Funds may be used for partnership development opportunities, exploring shared research interests, and developed an infrastructure and governance for the research partnership.

Includes conference travel, and/or student assistants.

**DEADLINE**: Applications should be emailed to Dan Bergen

(<u>daniel.bergen@marquette.edu</u>), Executive Director of Office of Community Engagement, by **Monday, March 26, 2018**. Awards will be announced in early-May. Research partnership development will occur July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019.

**PROCEDURES:** Interested faculty and staff should email a Word document containing the following information:

## **Faculty information:**

- Name
- Department, Position, title at Marquette
- Briefly (150-200 words) describe your background and why you want to explore this particular new research partnership

# **Community partner information:**

- Name
- Organization, Position
- Briefly (150-200 words) describe your background and why you want to explore this particular new research partnership

## **Research Partnership Development Plan**

- Co-develop a brief statement (no more than 100 words) that demonstrates how the research pilot project will address one of the following areas in which there exists systemic disparities:
  - Health
  - Incarceration
  - Education
  - Poverty
- Co-develop a brief (50-200 words) research agenda for a pilot project in which the
  mutually-identified community research need will be addressed, including a
  sustainability plan for the partnership (external funding, financially self-sustaining,
  future grant opportunities).
- Co-develop a brief (no more than 100 words) description of how this partnership will be bi-directional, and mutually beneficial.
- Co-develop a brief (100-200 words) research partnership development plan including
  potential opportunities for deepening relationship (conference attendance), exploring
  shared research interests, and identifying infrastructure and governance for the
  partnership.
- Budget justifying relationship building opportunities, student assistant, and other
  materials needed in the research pilot project, and implementation of the partnership
  plan.

#### About Office of Community Engagement:

Distinguished by the university's mission of "being in service to others," the Office of Community Engagement will support, promote, and cultivate collaborative, mutually beneficial, bi-directional relationships between faculty/staff/students, and the local, state, regional, national, and global communities of which we are a part. The office reports through the provost and collaborates with

partners across the institution, including Innovation and Research, Deans, Department Chairs, faculty members, Center for Teaching and Learning—Service Learning Program, Center for Peacemaking, Offices of Community Service, Student Affairs, Marketing and Communication, and Public Affairs, to ensure engagement efforts are effective and efficient, while meeting the educational and research mission of the university.