Community/Corporate Engaged Research Partnership Development Grant
Office of Economic Engagement

Application Process

The Office of Economic Engagement invites applicants to seek funding for the Community/Corporate Engaged Research Partnership Development Grant. This grant will provide a stipend to a faculty member and community organization or corporation to co-develop a new engaged research partnership that will address a mutually-identified need. The purpose of this stipend is to expand the number of bi-directional, engaged research partnerships. Submitted projects should include a predetermined community or corporate partner and respond to a key community or corporate issue. It is intended for these funds to start a new partnership/relationship, or a new project within an existing relationship.

Proposals will be reviewed and selected by representatives from the Office of Economic Engagement, along with a faculty advisory board comprised of individuals advancing community and/or corporate engaged research.

Proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria:
- Quality of the proposed research 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 Economic Engagement will provide faculty members/community organizations up to a $5,000 stipend for the development of a research partnership. Funds may be used for partnership development opportunities, exploring shared research interests, and developing infrastructure and governance for the research partnership. Includes conference travel, and/or student assistants.

DEADLINE: Applications should be emailed to Dan Bergen (daniel.bergen@marquette.edu), Executive Director of Office of Community Engagement, by May 22, 2020. Awards will be announced in mid-May. Research partnership development will occur July 2020-July 2021.

PROCEDURES: Interested faculty 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/Corporate 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
1. A co-developed, brief 100-200-word research partnership development plan including potential opportunities for deepening relationship (conference attendance), exploring shared research interests, and identifying infrastructure and governance for the partnership (see links below for reference/support).
   a. Guiding Principles for Partnership Development
   b. Guiding Considerations for Early Stage Partnership Development

2. Co-develop a brief (50-200 words) description of this partnership will be bi-directional, and mutually beneficial.

3. Co-develop a brief (50-200 words) research agenda, including a sustainability plan for the partnership (external funding, financially self-sustaining, future grant opportunities).

4. Co-develop a brief statement (no more than 100 words) that addresses how this partnership examines a co-identified need.

5. Budget justifying relationship building opportunities, student assistant, and other materials needed in the development and implementation of the research partnership development plan.

About the Office of Economic Engagement:
The Office of Economic Engagements harnesses the power of university, corporate and community engagement to identify and solve the needs of a rapidly changing world and promote access and opportunity for all.