The Mission of the Institute for Women’s Leadership
The mission of the Institute for Women’s Leadership at Marquette University is to support and conduct cutting-edge gender research while building transformational experiences and relationships that empower women & advance women’s leadership.

One strategic pillar of the Institute for Women’s Leadership’s activities is to create an interdisciplinary and vibrant research environment that equitably and inclusively supports faculty and students as they engage in impactful and transformative scholarship on gender/sex to better understand women’s experiences, provide solutions to gender inequities and barriers, and improve the lives and opportunities of women.

Goals of the Interdisciplinary Summer Grant Program
The goals of the Institute for Women’s Leadership interdisciplinary summer grant program are to…

1) Foster interdisciplinary research collaborations across the Marquette University community that further our understanding of gender and sex across the full range of human affairs, and
2) Stimulate the development of such research into larger extramurally funded projects.

The study of both the personal and social construct of gender, as well as biological conceptions of sex, is multidisciplinary and cross-disciplinary. All disciplines have their own intellectual and theoretical roots, histories, methodologies, and approaches to understanding gender and sex. It is also recognized that gender and sex intersect with race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, and other social categories. Interdisciplinary research that combines the perspectives from two or more disciplines has the potential to produce impactful, transformative research that leads to extramural funding.

Guidelines and Eligibility
The Interdisciplinary Summer Grant Program supports high-quality interdisciplinary research projects involving collaborators from two or more disciplinary backgrounds or traditions that advance our understanding of gender and/or sex in any domain of human endeavor and show promise of receiving extramural funding. Projects may be directed toward the gathering of primary data, the application of innovative approaches and analyses to provide novel insights from existing data, or creative endeavors that stimulate or strengthen competitive extramural grant applications. Funds will be awarded for one summer, must be
used during that time, support original work and research performed for the IWL Summer Grant Program, and are nonrenewable.

Eligibility
- The principal investigator(s) must hold a faculty or staff appointment at Marquette University.
- Recipients of the award are expected to be employed at Marquette University during the duration of their project and will be returning for the next academic year (2023-2024).
- Projects that include two or more internal or external collaborators that represent diverse disciplinary backgrounds that differ from each other will be given priority. Exceptional projects on gender/sex that do not meet interdisciplinary qualifications will be considered if sufficient funds are available.
- Recipients of the award must meet with a team from the Institute for Women’s Leadership and Office of Research and Sponsored Programs to explore the sustainability of their research within 12 months of receiving the funds.
- Recipients will be expected to give a talk on their research at an Institute for Women’s Leadership event.
- All presentations and publications need to note IWL as a funding sponsor.
- If an Interdisciplinary Summer Grant was received previously, a listing of related activities and scholarly output must be submitted with the new grant proposal. Specifically, report on any publications, presentations (i.e., academic conference, invited, departmental seminar etc.), or related external grant submissions that resulted from the prior IWL grant. Prior grant outcomes will be considered when awarding subsequent grants.

Budget
Teams can ask up to $11,000 for faculty summer stipends (max $5500 per individual stipend, and pace the standard hours expected for work for the stipend at Marquette; otherwise, less money can be requested and rewarded) and up to $6000 for research costs (e.g., supplies or services, student assistants, travel). Max rewards for each project will be $17,000. Exceptional proposals with higher demand may be considered. Final awards are dependent on availability of funds, and accepted proposals might not receive all requested funds.

Review of Proposals
Proposals will be reviewed by the IWL team and based on the following criteria:
- Scholarly Merit and Objectives
- Significance and Impact
- Interdisciplinary Nature
- Methods, Approaches, or Protocol
INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING YOUR INTERDISCIPLINARY SUMMER GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

Submission Instructions and Deadline: Please complete the application by typing in the required information on the form (see page 5 of this document). Send the document electronically as one Microsoft Word or PDF file laid out in the order indicated below to iwl@marquette.edu no later than 4:00 PM CST on March 1, 2023. The file should be saved as the last name of the Contact PI followed by “IWLgrantappS23” (e.g., “Webster_IWLgrantappS23”).

If any portion of the application exceeds the provided page limits and other requirements, the application will be ineligible for consideration. Please use 11-point Arial font.

A complete IWL Interdisciplinary Summer Grant funding application consists of the following items in the order listed below. Please label each section accordingly.

1) IWL Interdisciplinary Grant Cover Sheet(s)  
[Provided as the last page of this application form].

2) Abstract (separate page, 250 words)  
Provides a clear, concise description of the proposed project, its significance, impact, and interdisciplinary nature that a non-specialist would readily understand.

3) Project Description (limit - 3 pages)  
The Project Description must be no more than three single-spaced pages using 1” margins and 11-point Arial font. The project description must be written in such a way that scholars outside of your immediate disciplines can readily understand it. Successful applications will include concrete goals with demonstrable high-impact consequences related to advancing gender/sex-related issues. Please use the below headings in order:

a) Specific Research Objectives  
State and provide scholarly research objectives, and a literature-based rationale for those objectives.
b) Significance and Impact
Provide a short literature review and a clear and concise explanation of the project's significance and ability to advance the understanding of gender and/or sex in an area(s) of human endeavor. Focus on detailing what the significance and impact are of this research and how these goals will be achieved, noting how this project advances relevant fields, actions, disciplines, or non-academic concerns.

c) Methods, Approaches, or Protocol
Summarize the methods, approaches, or protocol used to achieve the research objectives.

d) Interdisciplinary Nature
Describe the interdisciplinary nature of the project including how the various disciplines represented by the two or more collaborators in the proposal contribute to the project.

e) Project Outcomes and Future Plans
Describe the intended outcomes of the project and how the project will stimulate or strengthen extramural funding application(s).

f) Project Timeline and Feasibility

4) References
Provide a bibliography of any references cited in the Project Description. This section is not included in the 3-page limit of the Project Description.

5) Project Budget and Budget Justification (limit – 1 page)
Each component of the budget request must be explained with the amount and a total presented. Include as subheadings: personnel, equipment, supplies, travel and other if applicable.

6) Brief Biography and Current Curriculum Vita (limit 5 pages per individual).

7) Listing of related activities and scholarly output of previous IWL Summer Grants, if applicable.

8) List of other Marquette grants being applied for, both to support summer research and otherwise.
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2023 INTERDISCIPLINARY SUMMER GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

[This should be the top page]
Application Receipt Deadline: March 1, 2023

[Please type]
Descriptive Project Title (Limited to 120 characters, including spaces)

Investigator(s)

Name(s)                      Title(s)                      Dept(s)

Phone number(s)

Email(s)

Dated Signature of Applicant(s)

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