

Interdisciplinary Research Group Guidelines Center for the Humanities at Temple

Deadline for 2011-12 is Monday, September 26, 2011

Interdisciplinary Research Groups bring together faculty and graduate students from Temple departments, school, and colleges who share research interests in related topics. Groups meet monthly (or more often) throughout the year. Interdisciplinary Research Groups should seed new and vital research activity and are not meant to provide ongoing support of existing programs.

Funds can be used to support meeting costs, publicity, visiting speakers, etc. Proposals that engage emerging fields of inquiry and/or are linked to an interdisciplinary curriculum are encouraged. Normally awards will not exceed \$1,500 and can be renewed for up to three years. Each group submits a summary of activities at the end of the year.

The Application

Proposals must list at least two (2) Temple faculty organizers from different departments, and four (4) or more additional faculty or graduate student participants. Group membership is not restricted to Temple faculty and cross-institutional participation is welcomed.

- Applications are 3-4 pages and should explain the focus of the group, provide an intellectual justification for forming a group on the topic, and indicate the schedule of projected activities for the year. Where appropriate, identify the anticipated outcome, such as publication(s), a grant application, or the initiation of longer term programs for further collaborative research.
- Include an itemized budget of planned expenses, including honoraria, travel, hospitality, and publicity (please note that the maximum honorarium is \$350).
- Include a C.V. for both organizers and identify at least four additional participants.

Interdisciplinary Research Groups may continue to receive Center for the Humanities support for up to three years where the yearly report on activities indicates that such an extension is warranted. Renewal is not automatic: a new application is needed each year. All proposals will be vetted by the Center for the Humanities Advisory Board and award decisions will be based on the quality of the proposal, the feasibility of the project, and the potential contribution to scholarship and intellectual life at Temple.

Applications should be transmitted electronically to chat@temple.edu by Sept. 26, 2011. Please contact Peter Logan with any questions at peter.logan@temple.edu or 215 204-8567.