Provost's Faculty Research Grant

Due to the generosity of a Kenyon parent, we are able to continue the successful Provost Faculty Research Fund awards for a second year. This fund is open to all full-time faculty members and provides financial support for scholarly and artistic engagement. Activities might include conference attendance, the cost of equipment, exhibition, performance or publication, travel, or other such needs associated with professional development.

The maximum award is higher than that of the regular Faculty Research Grants. We hope to make two or three awards of between \$4,000 and \$8,000. Faculty will be expected to use awards between May 2024 and June 2025.

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All Faculty Research Grant proposals must include the following:

- A <u>summary cover sheet</u> available from <u>the Office of Sponsored Faculty Projects (OSFP)</u>. https://www.kenyon.edu/sponsored-faculty-projects/funding-services-tools/in-house-grants/
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- A statement of the project, the expected results, and the relationship of the project to the work of the Member and the College. Not to exceed 3 pages in length. See list of evaluation criteria below.
- 3. A timetable. If your project involves travel during the semester, please explain your plan to minimize the impact of your absence for your students. (If your project will not be completed during the time of your employment at Kenyon College, include a statement explaining how your proposed work will still benefit the College.)
- 4. A detailed budget with a budget narrative/justification for all books, equipment, materials, travel, and other expenses. Since funds are limited, every effort to economize should be made. Applicants should utilize the least expensive facilities and resources. The more comprehensive, complete, and thorough the budget and budget narrative are, the more credible your proposal will be. Requests for books and equipment should not include those which are routinely purchased by the department or program, or are made available through other resources. Requests for equipment will be entertained only if it is clear that the applicant has exhausted all other alternative sources for such funding. Unless otherwise requested by the applicant, all equipment is the property of the College.

Estimates of travel costs should be obtained from the airlines' website or an online travel company. In order to secure the best price, successful applicants are encouraged to purchase their tickets promptly. Faculty members eligible for IFDAs are reminded that IFDA funds may be used without committee review for attendance at professional meetings and other types of faculty development. There is a required section on the cover sheet for applicants to explain why IFDA funds are not sufficient to cover the expenses in their budget. see "General Policies and Practices for Kenyon Grants and Stipends" below.

5. **If applicable**, a statement as to whether **outside funding** was sought.

- 6. **If applicable**, briefly summarize the results of **previous FDC grants for this project** and, importantly, **specific additional results expected from the current grant**.
- 7. A current vita. Not to exceed 2 pages in length.
- 8. All information must be in electronic format. E-mail to fdcgrants@kenyon.edu as attachments.

For the application to be considered complete, the applicant must have submitted a written report on all previously awarded FDC Grants.

The principal criteria used in evaluating proposals are:

- 1. The proposal's academic, artistic, and scholarly merit and the value of the project to the College and to the member's work.
- 2. The qualifications of the member.
- 3. The ability of the member to successfully carry out the project.
- 4. The feasibility of the plan and the timetable.
- 5. The availability of resources and research facilities.
- 6. The demonstrated need for funding to pursue the project.

These criteria must be clearly addressed in the member's proposal.