

Deadline: Monday, January 29, 2018

The Center for the Study of Women in Society invites applications for research that reflects scholarly and/or creative work on women and gender from across the disciplines. CSWS will give priority to research focused on the intersections of race and gender in order to advance the study of historically underrepresented groups in the United States. In addition, research that focuses on any aspect of the study of women in the Pacific Northwest will be given special consideration. Awards are subject to conditions set by CSWS.

CSWS 2018-19 Graduate Student Research Grant funds are for use between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019.

ELIGIBILITY

Currently-registered University of Oregon graduate students are eligible for research support grants. These grants are not restricted by citizenship, ethnicity, race, or national origin. Graduate students currently employed by CSWS are NOT eligible to apply.

AWARD CONDITIONS

1. **Funded Amount:** Grant awards will not exceed \$3,000.
2. **IRB Approval:** If the proposed research involves human subjects, the applicant is responsible for obtaining approval from the UO Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects/Institutional Review Board. Contact the Office for Responsible Conduct of Research, Suite 105, Riverfront Research Park, 1600 Millrace Dr., or call (541) 346-2510. No funds will be transferred until the applicant has received approval.
3. **Note for Graduate Students with Financial Aid:** Receiving this award may reduce your financial aid award. Please contact the Office of Financial Aid prior to applying for this support.

USE OF FUNDS

1. **Funds:** Grant award funds may be used for living expenses, reimbursable research expenses, or a combination of both living expenses and reimbursable research expenses.
2. **Technical (other research) expenses:** These include, but are not limited to, materials for the production of creative work; data collection and analysis costs; photocopying; books and journals; travel; and video and audio recordings/DVDs.



3. **Reimbursement:** Students must be registered for tuition credits over the summer in order to receive living support for the summer. Funds will be deposited in the student's account either at the beginning of the year of the award or, in the case of students not registered for tuition credits over the summer, at the beginning of their fall contract.

POST-AWARD OBLIGATIONS

1. External Grant Applications:

- a. Funds that will be used for the preparation of grant applications to external funding agencies require prior review by CSWS.
- b. External funds generated from grant application activities supported by CSWS grants must be administered by CSWS, with indirect cost credits assigned to CSWS.

2. General Requirements:

Grant awardees must:

- a. Submit a one-page final report about research progress at the end of the grant year to cswsgrants@uoregon.edu. This report is due to CSWS by September 30, 2019 (three months from the end of the grant period). Failure to submit final reports will result in ineligibility for future CSWS grants.
- b. Notify CSWS about any publications or grants that result from CSWS funded research.
- c. Share your research with the CSWS community. You may be asked to do this by giving a noon presentation at CSWS; presenting your research in another format; or contributing to CSWS research publications (such as *Research Matters* or the *CSWS Annual Review*) at some point within a three-year period.
- d. Acknowledge CSWS support in all publications and promotional materials, including web publications and web sites, videos, and/or creative work resulting from this grant.

DIRECTIONS

Application forms are available online at csws.uoregon.edu/funding and must include the following components. Attachments must be submitted in PDF format via email to cswsgrants@uoregon.edu:

1. **Abstract:** Should be no more than 250 words for a non-specialist audience, stating clearly why the project is important, and what difference the results of the project will make. The statement should explain the importance of the proposed research to larger issues or themes on women and gender.
2. **Budget:** A successful review of your grant is partly dependent upon our reviewers being able to understand why you are requesting the amount you have indicated, how you determined each component of the proposed budget, and how you intend to use funds if they are awarded.
3. **Proposal:** The proposal narrative must not exceed 1,200 words and should be organized as described below:
 - a. **Conception and Definition:** Describe the specific research planned for the grant period, explaining basic ideas, problems, or questions to be explored.
 - b. **Significance:** Briefly sketch the background of the proposed research, evaluate existing knowledge, and identify gaps that your research is intended to fill. State concisely the significance of the proposed work to research on women and gender and how the work contributes to the mission of CSWS, particularly in terms of the relationship between gender and other aspects of identity (race, ethnicity, class, sexual orientation, ability, et. al.). While our page limitation prevents a full review of the literature, a succinct discussion of the most recent and highly relevant literature will help reviewers better evaluate your proposal.
 - c. **Work Plan, Methods, and Approach:** All proposals will be judged on the basis of their theoretical and methodological strengths. They should clearly demonstrate how the research processes and/or methods identified in the proposal will elucidate the research questions posed. Proposals that gather primary data or use secondary data from human subjects should define the sample and procedures to be used and discuss data collection and analysis issues appropriate to the methodology or methodologies to be employed. Proposals that gather data from non-human subjects, including documentary or archival sources, should discuss relevant sampling and data collection issues and analytical and interpretive approaches to be employed. Proposals that are primarily theoretical or involve the production of art, music, performance, or other creative material should discuss the relevant scholarly processes that ensure the quality of the proposed project. We strongly encourage interdisciplinary research that takes into account various methodologies/approaches (archival, textual, ethnographic survey, etc.). If the

project is interdisciplinary, the proposal should discuss the relevance of interdisciplinarity to your project.

- d. **Timeline of Project:** Describe the timeline for your project, including specific dates for completion of your research.
4. **Bibliography:** Attach a two-page project bibliography.
5. **Current Vita:** Two-page abbreviated vita, including education, recent employment, publications, and relevant awards and honors.
6. **Faculty Letter of Recommendation:** Ask a faculty member familiar with your work to review your proposal and to submit a letter of recommendation based on that review. The faculty member must submit the letter by email attachment to cswsgrants@uoregon.edu before 5:00 p.m. on January 29, 2018.

Please note: it is the applicant's responsibility to a) ask the faculty member; b) provide your proposal to the faculty member for review in a timely fashion; and c) ensure that the faculty member has submitted their letter of recommendation by the deadline.

If you have questions regarding application procedures, budget matters, or problems with submission, please contact CSWS at 541.346.5015 or cswsgrants@uoregon.edu.

REVIEW PROCESS

Grant award decisions are made by a CSWS review committee that includes faculty members from the humanities and social sciences. Decisions are based on the quality of the application/proposal; the degree to which the project supports the mission and interests of CSWS; and the researcher's experience and qualifications. If all other aspects of a proposal are equal, preference will be given to junior faculty members and/or faculty members who have not received funding for the previous three years. Recommendations for funding are forwarded to the director of CSWS to make final decisions based on budgetary considerations.

All applications must be completed and received – including any attachments via email, as well as the letter of recommendation – no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 29, 2018. Please note that late applications will NOT be accepted. Notification of award is made within three months of the deadline date.