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**College of Arts & Sciences**

**Announcement of 2013-2014 CAS Program Grants**

For the eleventh year, the College of Arts and Sciences is pleased to announce competitive funding to support faculty initiatives in research and scholarship, to assist faculty and programs in making those endeavors more visible both regionally and nationally, to attract, sustain and retain outstanding faculty, and to involve both undergraduate and graduate students more thoroughly in our instructional and research programs.  Ideally, these initiatives should be scheduled for AY 2014-15 or later. However, advanced proposals scheduled for spring term, 2014, will also be considered.  
  
**Awards**

These awards, generally in the range of $3,000 to $6,000 (with possible exceptions), are meant to augment funding from other sources (both internal and external) for visible, distinctive projects. Awards are not intended to support individual research projects or to replace funding typically available from the usual granting agencies and foundations. Interdisciplinary initiatives are encouraged. Some examples of projects funded in the past include:

1.       Conferences, workshops, symposia.

2.       Visiting speaker series.

3.       Special events linked to curriculum or program development.

4.       Online projects linked to curriculum or program development.

Other significant research, teaching or outreach activities can also receive funding.

**Criteria**

Proposals are evaluated on the criteria listed below, both in the selection of proposals for support and in the extent of college support in matching commitments from instructional programs.  While the college privileges areas where opportunities for external support are low, all areas are eligible for awards.   
  
1.      Academic quality and distinctiveness.

2.      Extent of impact on UO teaching and research excellence.  
3.      Breadth and quality of external and UO faculty participation.  
4.      Impact on regional, national and/or international visibility.  
5.      Extent of undergraduate and/or graduate student participation.  
6.      Resources already committed by participating programs/departments (typically half).

7.      Opportunities for future success including external funding or academic program

development, as appropriate to the topic.

**Process**

All proposals should be submitted electronically via the new on-line application form:

<https://casadmin.uoregon.edu/program-grants>

**Deadline:**   ***Friday,******February 21, 201******4***

Proposals should (1) describe the project, including a budget narrative (2) outline its potential value based on the stated criteria, (3) list key participants, (4) indicate resources already committed to the project, and (5) list faculty contact names and the department that will manage the grant.

All proposals should be accompanied by one or more brief letters of endorsement, including a statement of supporting financial commitments by the appropriate department (s) or program head(s) and other internal and external units. 

***Please consult in advance with the associate dean for your division for advice and suggestions.***

***Humanities - Judith Baskin***

***Natural Sciences - Dana Johnston***

***Social Sciences – Bruce Blonigan***