

Call for Faculty Research Proposals – Summer 2024

In an effort to promote humanities-focused scholarship at CMC, as well as to promote research collaboration between faculty and students, the Gould Center invites proposals from faculty for research projects in the humanities that will be pursued in partnership with a CMC student research assistant or student research fellow. Proposals are welcome from all CMC tenured/tenure-track faculty and continuing visiting faculty, no matter the department, so long as the proposed research project concerns issues central to humanistic inquiry.

FACULTY STIPEND AMOUNT

- \$3000 paid in two installments:
 - \$1000 in June
 - \circ \$2000 after submission of the final project report

There are two options for student researchers, as outlined below. Faculty interested in submitting a proposal are encouraged to reach out to Amy Kind with any questions about which option would work better for their project.

Student Research Assistants

Student RAs assist the faculty member with the faculty member's research. They must be CMC students in the class of '25, '26, and '27. We are also open to considering projects that would employ two or three students. Faculty applicants should identify their proposed student RA(s) prior to submitting their proposal. Student RAs are expected to work 40-50 hours over the course of the summer and will be paid an hourly rate in line with the CMC wage schedule for student employees. Students who are receiving other funding this summer from CMC – whether it be from Gould, another research institute, SRP, or the Soll Center are not eligible.

In addition to the above, CMC has put in place the following regulation governing student RA employment during the summer that the Gould Center must abide by: *Only students who are residing in California or Washington, DC during the time they are doing the work are eligible for RA funding.*

Student Research Fellows

Student research fellows pursue their own research (either singly or jointly with you) on a topic complementary to your own. They must be CMC students in the class of '25, '26, and '27. Student research fellows are paid a stipend of \$850. This is paid in installments once certain research benchmarks are met. The final installment is paid when the student submits their completed project (which might be a paper, a poster, an annotated bibliography, etc.). Students who are receiving other funding this summer from CMC – whether it be from Gould, another research institute, SRP, or the Soll Center are not eligible, but there are no limitations on where research fellows may be residing while conducting their research.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Proposals should include:

- an abstract, suitable for publication on the Gould website should the project be funded (250 words)
- a description of the project, a brief explanation of its importance and connection to the faculty member's other work, and an expected timeline for its completion (no more than 1000 words)
- the faculty member's CV
- (for projects with Research Assistants) an explanation of how student involvement will aid the project plus a detailed description of the expected student research experience (500 words)

• (for projects with Research Fellows) an explanation of the student research project

We will also need the following from the student by the **5 pm deadline** on **Monday**, **April 22**, **2024**. This can be sent to us directly by the student or included with the faculty member's materials.

- A copy of the student's resume
- A brief statement from the student confirming that they are not receiving other funding from CMC this summer

It is the faculty member's responsibility to be sure that these student materials are received by the deadline; if we do not receive them, we will not be able to consider the application.

All documents should be merged into a single **Word** document and the first word in the filename should be the faculty applicant's last name (e.g., Antecol Gould Proposal 2020). Please send proposals as file attachments by email to Jessika Cisneros (jessika.cisneros@claremontmckenna.edu). Applications are due on **Monday, April 22, 2024** by **5 pm**.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Proposals will be judged on the basis of the following criteria:

- Quality of the proposal
- The project's connection to the Gould Center's mission of supporting and promoting humanistic inquiry
- Expected quality of the student research experience
- Likelihood that the work proposed will be completed during the grant period
- Likelihood of successful publication

Faculty and students who receive awards from the Gould Center are required to submit a project report of 2-3 pages at the conclusion of the grant period. Such reports may be published in future Gould Center newsletters and on the website, or presented to the Gould board. Please contact Professor Amy Kind (<u>akind@cmc.edu</u>) with any questions.