AY20-21 CommNS Research Incentive Funds: Call for Proposals

This Call for Proposals is being issued on November 2, 2019 to all CSCS faculty. Proposals should be submitted via email (with a single attachment) to Mary Beth Collins (mecollins@wisc.edu) and Amy Hilgendorf (ahilgendorf@wisc.edu) by December 11, 2020.

Proposals should be prepared in a single document no longer than two (2) pages, and should include:
- The name of the proposed PI and any collaborators, including UW colleagues, Extension colleagues, community partners, and graduate students
- An abstract describing the proposed project (100 words or less)
- A project narrative describing the proposed project, addressing the “criteria and specifications” listed below.
- An itemized budget request, including brief justifications for each item – for a total project budget of up to $10,000 (no indirect costs need be budgeted).

I. Criteria and specifications for proposals:

- Proposals must demonstrate that they:
  1. increase productivity in research, scholarship, and sponsored programs;
  2. reach beyond campus to build strategic partnerships and incorporate dissemination for applied use to address real-world problems through sound community-engaged practices.

- Proposals should clearly identify:
  - CSCS Faculty as PI (including as co-PI, if a collaborator from outside the Department has a key role in the project)
  - Support of student engagement
  - Community-engaged approach and partner, and/or collaboration with UW Extension colleague(s)
  - Publication, presentation, and/or dissemination targets
  - Extramural funding targets which will be pursued in continuation of the work funded by this opportunity
  - Ways the work could be supported, leveraged, or showcased by the CommNS through its outreach and engagement activities (visit our “CommNS Knowledge” website for ideas: https://commnsknowledge.wisc.edu/; also consider the “Co-Create” initiative as a potential collaborator and support – contact Amy Hilgendorf for more information)
  - Ways the proposal relates to “inquiry and action for social change” in civil society, the nonprofit sector, or community efforts. Proposals may also identify one or more of the CommNS Focus Areas:

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Additional funds are available this year to support areas of study & outreach focusing on equity and justice; resilience and strengths within Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) individuals, families, or communities; and/or antiracism. Newly available SoHE DEI+Justice funding can be used for research and/or graduate/undergraduate student support related to these aims, in conjunction with this opportunity. To this end, the per-proposal budget maximum of $10,000 may be exceeded if the project includes graduate and/or undergraduate student support that specifically relates to DEI+Justice aims. Dissemination of scholarship from these additional funds must include both academic and public audiences. To seek these additional funds, simply specify in your budget and narrative the components of the proposal that align and are eligible.

II. Proposal review will be conducted in late December 2020 by a review committee comprised of CommNS Director and Associate Director, two (2) CSCS faculty members who have not submitted a proposal, a CSCS graduate student, a non-CSCS SoHE faculty member, and a member of the CommNS Steering Committee or Advisory Board.

III. Award announcements will be made by January 1, 2021. Funds can be made available from January 2021 to December 2021.

IV. Awardees will be required to:
   - Prior to the release of funding, provide notice of IRB determination (approval or exemption) if IRB oversight is required.
   - Credit the support from the CommNS and SoHE in all related publications, presentations, etc.
   - Provide a project report to the CommNS and SoHE.
   - Share about the project at a CommNS outreach event.
   - Pursue the publication, presentation, dissemination, and extramural funding opportunities referenced in the proposal (or as modified).

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