CHAT Consortia Application Guidelines

Deadline for 2015-16 is September 21, 2015

Consortia are groups of faculty at Temple working with similar groups at other universities to pursue shared research interests in the humanities and humanistic social sciences. Proposals that engage emerging fields of inquiry and/or are linked to an interdisciplinary agenda are encouraged. CHAT will match the funding commitments from the external academic institutions up to $2000 per year for successful proposals.

Consortia should meet monthly (or more often) throughout the year. Activities can take the form of regularly scheduled meetings; annual conferences or symposia; public lecture series; publications projects; or other forms of collaboration between scholars at different institutions.

The Application

Proposals must list at least two Temple faculty organizers from different departments and supply the name(s) of at least one faculty sponsor at each collaborating institution. Please submit:

1. A 3-4 page (double-spaced) proposal. Explain the focus of the group, provide an intellectual justification for forming a group on the topic, and indicate the schedule of projected activities for the year. Identify anticipated outcomes, such as publications, grant applications, or the initiation of new programs for further collaborative research.

2. An itemized budget of planned expenses, including honoraria, travel, hospitality, and publicity (please note that the maximum honorarium is $400). This can be tentative.

3. A C.V. for each faculty organizer, including those of external faculty organizers.

4. A letter of participation from the organizer at each external academic institution. Evidence of matching funding commitments need not be available at the time of application; however, funds will not be disbursed until matching funds are documented.

All Consortia submit a report at the end of the academic year and must reapply for funding the following fall. Renewal is not automatic. Consortia may continue to receive Center for the Humanities support where the yearly report on activities indicates that such an extension is warranted. All applications will be vetted by the Center for the Humanities Advisory Board and award decisions will be based on the quality of the proposal, the feasibility of the project, and the potential contribution to scholarship and intellectual life at Temple.

Applications should be transmitted electronically to chat@temple.edu. Please direct questions to Prof. Petra Goedde, Interim CHAT Director, pgoedde@temple.edu, 215-204-9206.

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