Faculty Research/Creative Work Grant
Guidelines & Checklist

This checklist is meant to provide a succinct account of the IRISE Grant. For complete information regarding the IRISE Faculty Research/Creative Work Grant, please visit the IRISE website.

Grant Purpose & Options:
In supporting research, scholarship, and creative works IRISE follows the principle that it is not enough to study (in)equalities, but it is our responsibility to use the knowledge we acquire to promote changes leading to increased social justice and equality. The IRISE Research/Creative Work Grant aims to facilitate interdisciplinary research, scholarship, and creative works that seek to deepen our understanding of inequalities (including but not limited to race, ethnicity, class, sexual orientation) that impact the quality of life for historically marginalized communities and/or to promote equality in historically underrepresented communities. IRISE may fund DU faculty research up to $5000.00 per project per academic year. As appropriate to various applicants’ disciplines, IRISE funds are intended to support:

- Pilot Projects, that is, small-scale preliminary studies likely to demonstrate the viability or help improve the design of corresponding full-scale research endeavors;
- Short Term or Case Studies that can be completed within the award period; and/or
- Creative Projects.

Grant Proposal Requirements:
IRISE research/creative work grants are open to all DU faculty, whether individually or in teams. Consistent with the mission of IRISE, grant proposals must illustrate interdisciplinary engagement. In your typed grant application must include the following areas:

- Project Title
- Abstract (100 word maximum): A brief summary of your grant proposal's key points.
- Introduction & Literature (500 word maximum): Introduce the issues/theories/research you plan to address with your project.
- Method and Procedures (500 word maximum): Describe your research or creative methodology/methods, research question(s), sample/subjects, and data and analysis.
- Potential Outcomes (200 word maximum): Discuss expected outcomes/impact of your project.
- Timeline (100 word maximum or small table): Provide a timeline of research activities.
- Budget (Itemized and justified account of needs; disclosure of other funding sources, and corresponding amounts, used for the project; no word limit).
- References (as needed, no word limit).
- Letter of Endorsement: Include a supporting statement from your Dean or Department Chair. Letter must address whether your Dean/Department will provide matching grant funding.
- Proof of Human Subjects or IACUC approval, if necessary.

Grant Application Process:
Application should be typed and emailed as either a Word document or PDF to irise@du.edu. Letter of endorsement and proof of human subjects should be included within the same email. Indicate grant proposal submission within the email subject line.

Grant proposals are due by 5pm on May 2, 2014. The IRISE Advisory Board will evaluate proposals and make funding recommendations to the Assistant Provost for IE Research and Curricular Initiatives. Decisions on funding awards for summer 2014 will be announced shortly thereafter.