**Request for Seed Grant Research Proposals**

**College of Education and Human Development, George Mason University**

**Deadline for Proposals: November 30, 2017**

Dean Ginsberg has authorized $75,000 in seed grant funding for calendar year 2018. The College of Education and Human Development invites research-active CEHD faculty to submit seed grant research proposals that address topics of current interest and consequence. This initiative is intended to support new or emerging research projects. **Preference will be given to interdisciplinary proposals that engage two or more disciplines within (or beyond) the College, AND that will advance plans for scholarly publications and external funding.**

The proposed projects may cover a wide range of research methodologies, including qualitative and quantitative research, policy analysis and evaluation, and translation of scholarship into practice. To be considered for seed grant funding you, and your colleagues, will be expected to discuss your work at the fall, 2018 CEHD Opening Session.

All proposals must include a cover page (attached), body of the proposal, and a proposed budget and narrative. The body of the proposal and budget narrative should not exceed 4 pages single-spaced (3 pages of proposal and a 1 page budget narrative), and must include:

* Specific Project Goals
* Background for and Importance of the Proposed Project
* Subjects and Recruitment or Data Access
* Methodology
* Qualifications of Principal Investigator(s)
* Plans for Scholarly Publications
* Plans to Seek External Funding
* Budget Narrative

Budgets up to $10,000 (maximum) will be considered. Funds can be used for data collection and analysis, programming, project-related travel, materials development, and/or research support personnel (such as but not limited to clerical support, student wage help, a transcriber, etc.). Funds cannot be used for salary support for Mason faculty or staff. Refer to OSP guidelines for appropriate use of funds. Monies must be dispersed by the end of the 2018 calendar year. When appropriate, funding will be provided only if the proposed research is consistent with HSRB guidelines and other relevant university research policies.

**The deadline for the submission of proposals is November 30, 2017.** Proposals must be submitted in Microsoft Word format as an email attachment to the College’s research associate deans, Rodney Hopson (rhopson@gmu.edu) and Eamonn Kelly (akellyl1@gmu.edu).

Internal review of proposed projects will be conducted during the December 2017 timeframe, with decisions announced in January, 2018. Approved projects should begin in early 2018 and conclude no later than December 31, 2018. Progress reports will be required of grantees by May 1, 2018 and October 31, 2018.

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**Project Title:**

**Project Start Date: Project End Date:**

**Total Funds Requested:**

**Principal Investigator(s) and professional title(s):**

**Other investigator names and professional titles (if applicable):**

**For the first PI:**

 **Division/Program**

 **Telephone Number:**

 **Fax Number:**

 **Email Address:**

**Specific aims of the seed grant proposal (50 words or less):**

**Other information needed (if applicable):**

**Human Subjects Involved? PLEASE CIRCLE YES NO**