

MIPAR/CAHSS SUMMER FACULTY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS (SFRF)

The Maryland Institute for Policy Analysis and Research (MIPAR) and the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (CAHSS) invite applications for the 2017 **MIPAR/CAHSS Summer Faculty Research Fellow**. The purpose of this fellowship is for Fellows to develop proposals that will lead to external funding for research activities or for prestigious fellowships. Fellows will receive \$6,000 during the summer of 2017 which may be used for research expenses or may be taken as a stipend to support their proposal writing efforts. Each Fellow is expected to complete a proposal for external funding no later than the end of the fall semester following the Fellowship and is expected to submit a proposal for external funding no later than one year after the beginning date of the Fellowship. All proposals must be submitted for funding through MIPAR and, if funded, applicants and their departments agree that MIPAR will provide post-award grant management.

Applications are welcome from faculty in all departments in the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. Interested faculty members should complete and submit the attached application.

Up to three Fellowships will be awarded, and the deadline for applications is FEBRUARY 15, 2017.

Applications will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Quality of proposed research project;
- Significance of the project in its field;
- Likelihood that the proposed research will attract external support;
- Likelihood that a proposal to conduct the research can be successfully developed within the summer of Fellowship support; and,
- An additional, but lesser consideration is the policy relevance of the proposed research topic.

Applications will be reviewed by a committee of faculty from the social sciences who have been successful in securing external funding. Based on the criteria above, committee members will rank applications as either highly competitive, moderately competitive or not competitive. The director of MIPAR will select up to three proposals among those ranked highly competitive. At any time, but especially between the release of the call for applications and the submission deadline, Prof. Don Norris, Director of MIPAR (norris@umbc.edu, X51082), will be pleased to meet with prospective applicants to discuss how to develop applications that meet the selection criteria. Applicants should also consider asking colleagues with experience in grant development to review and provide comments on their applications to help strengthen them. All applications must be approved by the faculty member's department chair.

For more information contact:

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**2017 MIPAR/CAHSS SUMMER FACULTY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP
APPLICATION FORM**

Due Date: February 15, 2017

Name: _____

Department: _____

Academic title: _____

E-mail: _____

Campus phone: _____

Title of proposal: _____

Directions for submitting application page and proposal

Complete and attach this cover page to your application and email it to Deborah Geare, geare@umbc.edu, no later than 5:00 pm, Wednesday, February 15, 2017.

The application must be submitted as a *Word* or *PDF* file and must be single-spaced, with one-inch margins, using a 12 point font, and it must include:

- Title page. Title of proposal and the name and department of applicant.
- Summary. This should be written in non-technical language. Please keep in mind that all reviewers may not be experts in your field. Summaries may not exceed half a page.
- Text. Limited to 3 pages; proposals exceeding 3 pages will not be considered. Figures or tables may be submitted in an Appendix, but reprints should not be included. Include a clear and concise statement of:
1) the specific aims of the proposed research; 2) its significance in its field; 3) a description of data the research method(s) to be employed; 4) a statement of expected research findings; and 5) a statement of policy or other implications.
- Funding potential. Include an impartial discussion (not more than one page in length) of the potential that the full proposal will have for attracting external funding. Be very specific about where you intend to apply for external funding and provide either concrete examples of projects similar to yours that those sources have funded or provide language from the funding source(s) that clearly shows that your proposal fits within the organization's parameters for funding
- Bibliography. Include only works cited in the proposal.
- Curriculum vitae of applicant.

Conditions of award

The applicant affirms that, if he or she receives a MIPAR/CAHSS Faculty Summer Research Fellowship, he or she will:

1. Develop a proposal for external funding during the summer of the Fellowship and submit it to MIPAR no later than December 31 of the fall semester following the summer of the Fellowship. If a Fellow cannot complete the proposal by this date, he or she must inform MIPAR no later than November 15 and request an extension. Said request must include a plan with a firm date for completion.
2. Submit the proposal to an appropriate funding agency (or agencies) no more than one year after the beginning date of the fellowship.
3. Keep MIPAR informed regarding progress toward completing and submitting the proposal. This includes a brief update by email no later than August 15 of the Fellowship summer and thereafter written updates every two months on the 15th of the month until the proposal is submitted for funding. The updates should inform MIPAR of the status of the proposal, the likely date of completion and the likely date(s) of submission(s) for funding.
4. Present a brief report to the sponsors of the award, the Dean of CAHSS, the VP for Research and the MIPAR Director, upon their request.

If a proposal submitted hereunder is funded, both MIPAR and the Fellow’s department will receive a full DRIF allocation.

5a. Please check whether you have submitted or will also submit a proposal in the 2016-17 academic year for any of the following:

University-wide: SRAIS _____ SFF (Summer Faculty Fellowship) _____

CAHSS SFRF: CIRCA/CAHSS _____ IRC/CAHSS _____ Dresher/CAHSS _____

b. Please list any prior (five year) funding for any of the above:

c. Please indicate whether you have or will have any concurrent funding support for the summer of 2017 and the source(s):

I have read and accept the conditions under which this Fellowship will be awarded:

Applicant’s signature _____ Date _____

Department Chair’s signature _____ Date _____