

# **MIPAR/CAHSS SUMMER FACULTY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS (SFRF)**

## **NEW EXPANDED CRITERIA FOR 2018**

The Maryland Institute for Policy Analysis and Research (MIPAR) and the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (CAHSS) invite applications for the 2018 **MIPAR/CAHSS Summer Faculty Research Fellowship**. The purpose of this fellowship is to ultimately increase external funding activity by supporting significant Social Science research productivity of faculty in CAHSS, resulting in a submittable product by December 2018. Fellows will receive \$6,000 during the summer of 2018, which may be used for research expenses or taken as a stipend to support their research efforts. Each Fellow is expected to complete an external **grant or fellowship proposal OR an article, policy paper, book or book chapter** that will be submitted no later than the end of the fall semester following the fellowship. Fellows shall provide a copy of this submitted fellowship product to MIPAR. Fellows are also required to attend one MIPAR Grant training activity in 2018. All grant proposals produced from this fellowship 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 full-time faculty doing **Social Science** research in any departments in the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. Interested faculty members should complete and submit the attached application form along with a proposal, described below.

Up to three fellowships will be awarded and the deadline for applications is **FEBRUARY 15, 2018**.

Applications will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Quality of proposed research project;
- Significance of the project in its field;
- Faculty member qualification to carry out the work, including the requisite expertise in the topic area and proof of prior research productivity;
- Likelihood that the proposed work can be successfully completed within the summer of Fellowship support and that it will lead to a written product that can be successfully submitted by December 2018;
- Potential for fellowship work to ultimately lead to an externally funded grant activity;
- Approval and recommendation of faculty member's department chair.

Applications will be reviewed by a committee of research-active Social Science CAHSS faculty. 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. All applications must be approved by the faculty member's department chair.

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**2018 MIPAR/CAHSS SUMMER FACULTY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP  
APPLICATION FORM**

*Due Date: February 15, 2018*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic title: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Campus phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of proposal: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions for submitting APPLICATION FORM and PROPOSAL**

Complete, sign, and scan this application form and send it, along with your application, to Deborah Geare, [geare@umbc.edu](mailto:geare@umbc.edu), no later than 5:00 pm, Thursday, February 15, 2018.

The proposal must be submitted as a *Word* or *PDF* file (single-spaced, one-inch margins, 12 point font), and must include: (Do not exceed page limitations)

- Title page. Title of proposal, applicant name, and department.
- Summary. (*Half page maximum*); This should be written in non-technical language. Please keep in mind that all reviewers may not be experts in your field.
- Text. (*Three page maximum- 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) description of data and the research method(s) to be employed; 4) statement of anticipated research findings/outcomes; 5) statement of policy or other implications; 6) description of researcher qualification to carry out the work.
- Publication/Funding potential. (*One page maximum*); Include an impartial discussion of the potential that the work will have for attracting external funding and/or being published. **If proposing a grant or fellowship application** - Be 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 funding parameters. **If proposing a publication** – Be specific regarding where this will be sent, why that venue, and how your work will add to the scientific conversation underway in your venue/field, AND the potential for this work to lead to future externally funded research activity.
- Timeline. (*One page maximum*); A timeline of activities describing your summer and fall activities to reach the intended December 2018 submission goal.
- Budget. (*Half page maximum*); Detail how you intend to use the \$6000 fellowship award.
- Bibliography. Include only works cited in the proposal.
- Curriculum vitae of applicant (abridged if appropriate).

## Conditions of award

The applicant affirms that, if awarded a MIPAR/CAHSS Faculty Summer Research Fellowship, the Fellow will:

1. Obtain necessary IRB approval; complete the proposed work during the summer; and complete the resulting external funding proposal OR manuscript for submission no later than December 2018.
2. Submit a copy of the December 2018 proposal OR manuscript and a copy of the final publication OR funding result, as appropriate.
3. Keep MIPAR informed of their progress during the summer and towards completing and submitting the proposal/manuscript. This includes a brief email update email no later than August 15 of the fellowship summer and thereafter written updates every two months on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month until the document is submitted. Continue to keep MIPAR apprised on the progress of the document towards publication/funding, and the final result.
4. Attend one MIPAR Grant training activity in 2018
5. Submit MIPAR SFRF-supported grant proposals through MIPAR and, if funded, applicants and their departments agree that MIPAR will provide post-award grant management.
6. Present any additional brief reports to the sponsors of the award, the Dean of CAHSS, the VP for Research and the MIPAR Director, upon their request.

If a fellowship grant proposal is funded, both MIPAR and the Fellow's department will receive a full DRIF allocation.

6a. Please check whether you have submitted or will also submit a 2017-2018 proposal in for any of the following:

University-wide:      START (formerly SRAIS) \_\_\_\_\_      SURFF (formerly SFF) \_\_\_\_\_

Other 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 2018 and the source(s):

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

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and accept the conditions under which this fellowship will be awarded and further support this application. I foresee no department responsibilities that will keep this applicant from completing the proposed work during the fellowship term.

Department Chair's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_