Kingfisher Institute Mini-Seminar

Call for Proposals

Fall 2024-Spring 2025

Proposals due: **May 1, 2024**

The Kingfisher Institute is accepting proposals to support collaborative, cross-disciplinary research or creative projects. This grant will fund two or three small teams of collaborators (3-6 faculty, students, and/or staff) as they meet throughout the 2024-2025 academic year. Collaborators should represent at least two or more distinct disciplines.

Projects should lead to a presentation, publication, extramural or intramural funding application, or other tangible outcomes. However, the funding period will likely involve significant time *developing the project plan* and *building a team*. Teams will share progress with the Kingfisher Institute through reports and other communications.

Funded teams will also be asked to share lessons learned by presenting at an event and/or informal mentoring of a future cohort. Collaborators may work on a single project together *or* on distinct but parallel projects that benefit from regular consultation within the team.

Funding of up to $5000 per project is available. This will take the form of stipends for faculty and staff and fellowships for students ($1000-$2000 each based on time and effort expected). Proposals may include requests to use a portion of the funding toward other expenses necessary to carry out the project.

The applicants' role:
- Propose **your own idea** that aligns with the [Kingfisher Institute's mission and vision](#)
  - Areas of inquiry should be broad enough to allow each collaborator to contribute significantly, but specific enough to be unique
- Choose the frequency, time and place for collaborators to meet (during fall 2024-spring 2025 academic year)
- Communicate with the Kingfisher Institute periodically on progress (usually once per semester) and submit a final report
- Follow all processes related to IRB and university research protocol
- Acknowledge the Institute's support in any products that result from the funding

The Kingfisher Institute's role:
- Assist with connecting potential collaborators or mentors, if requested
- Fund the project as approved and within bounds of university policies
- Encourage and provide opportunities to share lessons learned

How to apply:

- Submit a narrative (about 300 words) about your research/creative project idea, including:
  - what you hope the project will accomplish
  - how it relates to the Institute's mission and/or vision
  - how it will bridge disciplines to create new knowledge
  - project timeline (funding is for the 2024-2025 academic year, with limited exceptions)
- Submit a CV and brief biosketch for proposed collaborators
  - Collaborators outside of the university may be acceptable if essential to the project. At least two members of the team must be Creighton University faculty, staff or students from different departments or colleges/schools.
- Submit a budget (stipend[s] minus other estimated expenses, including amounts with justifications)

Email these documents (a single PDF or Word document) to kingfisher@creighton.edu **by May 1, 2024**. If you have submitted a project before that did not receive funding, we invite you to revise or update and resubmit. Decisions will be sent after budgets are finalized, with an estimate of mid-summer.

For questions, email us or call 402-280-5169. We are happy to discuss your ideas with you.