

Request for Proposals Undergraduate Research/Creative Work Fellowships

Three (3) fellowships of \$1,000 each will be awarded in Fall 2005 to allow students to carry out major independent projects under the supervision of a faculty mentor.

Eligibility: All IUS **undergraduate** students, regardless of discipline, number of hours completed or part-or full-time status, are eligible to apply. Selection will be made on the basis of quality of proposal and letter of support from a faculty mentor who has agreed to supervise the project if funded.

Application Procedure: Applicants should submit a complete research proposal of no more than six (6) double-spaced, typed pages written with the educated lay reader in mind. The proposal should include the following elements clearly labeled:

1. Statement regarding the significance of the project; explain why it is important and what difference the results will make.
2. Statement of hypothesis, research question or creative objective in a form appropriate to the discipline in question.
3. Detailed statement of methods and plan of work, including a timetable. Provide appropriate research risk documentation if relevant.
4. Statement of the applicant=s qualifications and training to carry out the project.
5. Name of faculty mentor.

Letter of Support: Faculty mentors should address a confidential letter to the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs evaluating the project and the applicant=s ability to carry it out in a timely manner and indicating what role the mentor will play. Faculty mentors of the fellows selected will receive stipends of \$500.

Budget: A detailed budget IS NOT REQUIRED for the basic stipend of \$1,000.

Additional support: Fellows may apply for up to \$500 for direct costs associated with their projects; a detailed budget IS REQUIRED for these funds.

Enrollment and Credit: Applicants must be enrolled for the fall 2005 semester. In consultation with faculty mentors and academic advisors, fellows may elect to enroll for and receive 1-3 credits for their projects.

Building a Research Community: Research Fellows, their mentors, and interested others will be invited to a series of luncheons where speakers and discussion will focus on topics of common interest and concern.

Proposals must reach the Office of Academic Affairs no later than September 2, 2005.