Aztlán Center Grants

2022

Announcement

In 2022, the Aztlán Center, under the auspices of the University Library, seeks to award \$2000 stipends that will be available for research and/or curriculum development projects.

Policies

- A. **Objective:** The objective of the Aztlán Center Grant Program, (AGCP) is to provide CSU-Pueblo faculty and staff, as well as qualified Pueblo community members, with fundamental support for teaching, learning, and research that will lead directly to a greater understanding of issues related to the Chicanx, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples and environments of the Southwest. All grant recipients will also be expected to share the results of their experience with the campus, the regional community, and the greater academic community through presentations, publications, or other appropriate means.
 - a. Research projects should make an original contribution to knowledge in this field as well as impacting the local or regional community. The number and amount of the awards may vary, but will not exceed \$2000. This is open to a faculty or community member.
 - b. Curriculum development support should result in a redesigned course that could be cross-listed with a Chicano Studies course or contribute to the Chicano Studies minor or a proposed new minor in Southwest Studies. The number and amount of the awards may vary, but will not exceed \$2000. This is open to all faculty members.
- B. **Eligibility and Restrictions:** All faculty and staff members of CSU-Pueblo, as well as well-qualified community members are eligible to apply for funding where allowed, as outlined above, except those individuals who are serving on the Aztlán Center Advisory Board.
- C. **Budget:** The maximum stipend award will not exceed \$2,000. Direct costs and requested funding should be consistent with academic disciplines and related costs of carrying out scholarly work or curriculum development. The budget justification

must include a narrative section that clearly accounts for costs associated with the specific research or curriculum redesign activities proposed.

- D. **Project Restrictions:** Grant funds cannot be used to assist the recipient in their course work toward obtaining an advanced degree (including thesis and dissertation), for taking refresher courses, or for travel when correspondence, telephone communication, fax, or email would suffice. Aztlán Center Grants, (ACG) may be used to support course development and professional development activities.
- E. **Award Period:** Aztlán Center Grants are awarded for a maximum period of one year. A copy of the dissemination product must be submitted to the Aztlán Center Director (e.g. external grant application, final manuscript for publication, syllabus, etc.). The final dissemination product must be completed prior to the deadline of the ACG.
- F. **Extensions:** Project extensions will only be considered in exceptional circumstances and requests must include an appropriate justification, along with a substantive progress report that clearly indicates appropriate time and effort was extended for the award period. Reports should be submitted to the Aztlán Center Director.
- G. **Final Dissemination Product:** All funded projects are expected to culminate in a deliverable product such as: a redesigned course, a completed and submitted manuscript for peer-reviewed publication, a competitive major external grant proposal, or other appropriate measures of accomplishment relative to the discipline. Submissions of final products are due no later than one year from the expiration date of the grant period. Dissemination products must be submitted to the Aztlán Center Directors.

When feasible, your final product will be submitted for inclusion in the <u>Colorado State University Pueblo Digital Repository</u>. The repository provides an open access showcase of research, scholarship, and creative works of Colorado State University Pueblo faculty, staff, and students. The purpose of the Repository is to promote and make accessible the intellectual output of the University to local, national, and international communities.

H. **Equipment/Materials, Intellectual Property, and Related Rights and Restrictions:** Title to all permanent materials and equipment purchased with ACG funds rests with the University per CSU-System policy. Policies related to intellectual property, payments, royalties, or other fees resulting from research or other scholarly or creative activities supported totally or in part with funds obtained from

- an ACG, can be found in the CSU-Pueblo Faculty Handbook. Sharing arrangements must be negotiated with the Provost.
- I. **Employment Termination:** If employment of a faculty or staff member who is awarded an ACG is terminated with the University within the award period. The grant will end on the date of employment termination.
- J. **Disclaimer Regarding Program Funding:** Due to the current volatile budget environment of Colorado public higher education, funds available for the ACGP may be variable and contingent upon available resources.

Procedures

- A. **Deadline and Submission:** An electronic copy of each Aztlán Center Grant proposal must be submitted to the Aztlán Center Directors using the online application form provided. The Center will announce the deadline for the submission of proposals.
- B. **Application Forms:** Available Online: https://forms.gle/xGvc3LMQNH4EVRnY9
- C. **Institutional Compliance/Review:** The applicant is responsible for submitting a copy of the proposal to the appropriate Board/Committee when applicable. Refer to the website for contacts and inquiries Colorado State University Pueblo Compliance and Review Boards.
 - a. Research involving human subjects must be reviewed and approved by the Institutional Review Board (IRB, Human Subjects Committee);
 - b. Research involving animal subjects must be reviewed and approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC);
 - c. Research involving recombinant DNA, infectious, or hazardous materials must be reviewed and approved by the institutional Biosafety Committee.
- D. **Aztlán Center Grant Review and Selection Committee** ACG proposals will be reviewed and evaluated by a Review and Selection Committee appointed by the Library Dean and Aztlán Center Directors. Proposal evaluation will be completed with the assistance of a scoring rubric approved by the Library Dean. The Review

and Selection Committee will make recommendations for funding of the eligible grant proposals to the Library Dean, who will make final decisions on awards.

E. **Award Inquiries:** Applicants can address inquiries regarding funding decisions to the Directors of the Aztlán Center.

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