# Nashman Faculty Grants for

# Community Engaged Scholarship:

# Proposals due February 1, 2021

**Faculty Grants for Community Engaged Scholarship**

The Honey W. Nashman Center for Civic Engagement and Public Service annually supports community engaged scholarship at GW through small faculty grants. These awards promote the development of new community engaged scholarship opportunities that are consistent with the University strategic plan.

**Community Engaged Scholarship includes teaching, research, creative work, or professional practice, which advances the public good and occurs in the context of reciprocal collaboration with community partners.**

Community Engaged Scholarship represents a, “…collaboration between institutions of higher education and their larger communities (local, regional/state, national, global) for the mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources in a context of partnership and reciprocity.” (Carnegie Foundation)

The purpose of community engagement, as described in the Carnegie Community Engagement Classification statement, is:

* the partnership of college and university knowledge and resources with those of the public and private sectors to enrich scholarship, research, and creative activity;
* enhance curriculum, teaching and learning; prepare educated, engaged citizens;
* strengthen democratic values and civic responsibility;
* address critical societal issues; and contribute to the public good.

This work enables students, faculty, and community members to leverage critical and creative thinking to meet genuine, pressing community needs and disparities, such as those in education, housing, health, and the environment.

# Funds are available to support

* Development of new community engaged scholarship courses;
* Scholarly research or assessment on the outcomes of community engaged scholarship
* Strategic planning for community engaged academic departments;
* Community-based participatory research; and
* Individual or group professional development in community engaged scholarship.

Applications will be accepted from GW faculty who are regular full-time faculty, or part-time faculty with a demonstrated long-term commitment to GW. Initiatives in partnership with Washington, DC region organizations/partners will receive preference. Faculty members are strongly encouraged to consult the Nashman Center’s staff for support in connecting with our existing campus partners with an aim toward creating sustained relationships that meet genuine needs.

Department Chairs should endorse faculty members in their departments for these awards with a brief statement of support on the proposal coversheet (provided below).

Funding can be distributed to the recipient’s academic department, via the departmental Oracle account. If funds are requested to be directly paid to the faculty member, funding appears as supplemental pay and is subject to income tax.

# Timeline

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| February 1, 2021 | Proposals due |
| February 28, 2021 | Grant recipients announced |
| March – May, 2021 | Project planning and professional development |
| May, 2021 | Funds available for distribution |
| Academic Year 2021/2022 | Funded projects implemented (e.g. courses offered, research and evaluation projects implemented, etc.) |
| June 1, 2022 | Final deadline for reports on the outcomes of funded activities. |

# Expectations and Deliverables

Faculty members selected to receive funding:

* Participate in applicable professional development activities provided by the Nashman Center, such as the three-part workshop series on designing Community Engaged Scholarship Courses.
* Present their work at Nashman Faculty events and/or support their students’ presentations at the GW Symposium on Community Engaged Scholarship, held at the end of each semester.
* Acknowledge the support of the Honey W. Nashman Center for Civic Engagement and Public Service at The George Washington University in all publications, presentations, or events resulting from funded projects.
* For community engaged scholarship courses, submit their new course to their department curriculum committee. Courses are also expected to be submitted to the Nashman Center for course designation.
* Submit a Final Project Report, one month from completion of the project, with June 1, 2021 being the final deadline for this funding cycle. This report will include:
  + A brief narrative of the results of the project
  + A final expense report indicating proposed and actual spending.
  + Documentation of expenditures. Please consult with your department finance manager with regard to the required documentation for expenditures.
  + Any applicable end-products of the project, such as new course syllabi, photos or other documentation of community-based activities, data-collection tools developed, evaluation findings, or written work submitted for publication. The Nashman Center may distribute these further to promote engaged scholarship at GW and/or share them for future faculty development.

**Types of Funded Projects**

**Community Engaged Scholarship Course Development**

**Purpose:** Create or redesign a course to include community service-learning or community-based research.

**Funding guidelines:** Generally, a $2,000 stipend for the faculty member doing the course redesign

**Community-Based Participatory Research Grants**

**Purpose:** Advance research on significant social issues in collaboration with local residents that will provide potential solutions and contribute to long-term, sustainable change in the community. Community-Based Participatory Research (CBPR) is a collaborative approach to research that involves an equitable relationship between residents, community organizations and university researchers that is reflected in all levels of project design and dissemination. CBPR is a partnership between community and university investigators in which each group contributes their expertise and they share equal ownership of the process and products of research collaboration.

**Funding guidelines:** Generally, up to $5,000.

**Engaged Department Grants**

**Purpose:** Support strategic planning to reward and align existing and new community engaged initiatives to maximize community impact and student learning.

**Funding guidelines:** Generally, $2,000-$5,000

**Research or Assessment on the Outcomes of Engaged Scholarship**

**Purpose:** Advance research for publication on the practice and outcomes of engaged scholarship and teaching. Preference will be given to those proposals that support the research and publication efforts of junior faculty.

**Funding guidelines:** Generally, up to $2,000.

**Professional Development Grants**

**Purpose:** Supports faculty professional development related to engaged scholarship, including workshops, speakers, and conferences. Proposals should emphasize the learning objectives of the activity, the potential of the activity to advance reciprocal and sustained partnership between GW and the community, and the potential for information from the conference or training to be shared to better inform the work of the entire GW community.

**Funding guidelines:** Generally, up to $2000

# Proposal Application

Proposals should not exceed five pages (cover sheet and attachments excluded). For any questions, please contact Wendy Wagner [wagnerw@gwu.edu](mailto:wagnerw@gwu.edu).

1. Cover Sheet (format provided below):
   1. The project title, name(s) of applicant(s), and departmental/program affiliation.
   2. A brief, (2-5 sentences) proposal abstract, describing the proposed activities.
   3. A brief statement of endorsement from the department chair (less than 250 words)
2. Project Description
   1. The project purpose
   2. A detailed description of what you intend to do and the way in which your project will be carried out, including specific dates and locations for project activities. Please indicate if this is a multi-year project for which you may request future funding from the Nashman Center.
   3. A statement describing the significance of your project and the outcomes expected, including, for example, innovation and improvement in teaching; community outcomes for teaching or research; or research publications. Please be specific.
   4. The partners in your project, for example, schools, community organizations, academic associations, and other GW offices or departments.
3. Budget and Timeline
   1. An itemized budget.
   2. The budget narrative, including how costs were estimated and justification for each expense.
   3. A funding history. Describe other funds received or applied for to support the project. Please include internal GW funding that was awarded competitively. No need to report divisional conference travel funding.
   4. A timeline of when funded activities will occur.
4. Attachments
   1. Include relevant supplemental material such as current syllabi or literature reviews.

**High quality proposals will consider the following:**

* How will the community engaged scholarship and service-learning activities you propose support the objectives of your course/department/discipline/GW?
* How will the community engaged scholarship and service-learning activities you propose make an impact on a need or issue in the community?
* How will this work advance knowledge in your academic field?
* How will you measure and demonstrate the success of your activities?
* How will you disseminate the results of your work?

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**COVER SHEET**

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Endorsement from the Chair, 2-5 sentences (may be appended):

Proposal Abstract, 2-5 sentences (may be appended):

This Cover Sheet must accompany each proposal.

Save the proposal as one file, in a cloud-based storage system (like Box).

Submit by February 1, 2021, here: <http://gwserves.givepulse.com/survey/take/Rtlt2HLKhc1eRvQd0glO>