

**Funding Opportunity****HHS Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Small Grants Program  
Purdue University College of Health and Human Sciences****Proposals Due Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**

The College of Health and Human Sciences (HHS) is pleased to announce a call for applications for the HHS Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Small Grants Program. The purpose of this program is to facilitate and support research that focuses on underrepresented minority populations or people belonging to stigmatized or minoritized groups and/or that is relevant to issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion. It should be clear how the proposed project aligns with and builds upon the PI's existing research activity. Funded projects are expected to be useful for a related external funding application in the future.

HHS DEI is allocating \$25,000 for these awards. The planned budget is for five awards at \$5,000 each. However, projects exceeding \$5,000 will not be excluded from consideration and may be awarded based on compelling rationale. Projects under \$5000 are also welcomed and may allow funding of more than five proposals.

**Eligibility:** For the 2024 cycle of these grants, PI(s) must be HHS faculty members (tenure-track, tenured, clinical/professional, or research). Faculty may submit no more than one proposal as PI.

**Allowed Uses of Funding**

- Awards are for a 1-year period
- Funding is intended to support research development and execution
- Funds cannot be used for salary support or conference attendance
- Funds may be used for undergraduate support that would otherwise not be available and is necessary for the research

**Application Requirements (submit as one pdf in the following order)**

1. **Title Page** (1 page)
  - a. Project Title
  - b. Key Personnel Names and Affiliations
  - c. Brief Project Lay Summary (250 words). Include specific aims/objectives.
2. **Project Description** (2 pages, single-spaced, Arial 11-pt font, 1/2" margins)

Be sure to highlight the relevance of the project to DEI.

  - a. Significance
  - b. Project Plan/Approach
  - c. Expected Outcomes and Implications
  - d. Project Timeline (including mention of potential future external funding application)
3. **References/Literature Cited** (1 page)
4. **Project Budget and Justification** (1 page)
5. **CV** (Include the CV for each faculty member involved)

**Selection Criteria and Review Process:** Projects will be evaluated by the HHS DEI Committee with respect to their ability to increase research focus on underrepresented minority populations and/or diversity/equity/inclusion topics. Specifically, projects will be evaluated with respect to:

- **Significance** – The proposed research project addresses a significant issue related to diversity, equity, and/or inclusion.
- **Investigator** – The PI or team has the necessary expertise to conduct the studies as proposed.
- **Approach** – The proposed strategy, methods, and analyses are appropriate and feasible to address the proposed aims/objectives.
- **Implications** – The proposed research has implications for advancing diversity, equity and/or inclusion.

#### **Submission Deadlines and Other Information**

- Proposals must be written in lay language, meaning for a smart, scientific but non-expert audience. Define your terms and abbreviations.
- Proposal deadline is 5:00 PM on Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.
- Submit all proposal documents as a single PDF to [hhsinclusion@purdue.edu](mailto:hhsinclusion@purdue.edu).
- Decisions will be announced by May 6, 2024.