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1. Call for Proposals—Support Grants for Racial and Ethnic Studies—(Due Date: March 23, 2009) **2**
http://www4.uwm.edu/ire/grant_programs/support_grants.html

The IRE's Call for Support Grant Proposals for the 2009-10 fiscal year was sent out in November as part of a unified RFP for the various grant programs supported by UW System Administration's Office of Academic Affairs. As in previous years, the IRE is seeking proposals in four categories:

- Category A (Research): To support scholarly research on topics addressing race, ethnicity, diversity, inclusivity, and/or equity with the intention of publication
- Category B (Curriculum Development): To support the development and teaching of new courses pertaining to race, ethnicity, diversity, inclusivity, and/or equity
- Category C (Campus Activities): A miscellaneous category designed to support campus activities such as guest lectures, fine arts performances, curricular infusion and instructional innovations, and/or other events re. race, ethnicity, diversity, inclusivity, and/or equity
- Faculty Diversity Research Awards: To provide released time and support for categories* of Individuals who are tenure-track faculty members for their scholarly research and writing, thus enhancing their opportunities for achieving tenure. (* See the actual Call for Proposals for eligibility requirements and other important stipulations.)

2. IRE Symposium on “Supporting and Retaining Diverse Faculty: Research, Scholarship, Mentoring, and Tenure”—(Thursday-Friday, April 16-17, 2009, at UW-Milwaukee Union)
(Priority Registration Date: March 30, 2009)

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For over 20+ years, the IRE has been providing Faculty Diversity Research Awards/FDRAs (once called Minority Faculty Research Awards) to eligible tenure-track faculty members across UW System campuses. Currently, there are 38 FDRA “alumnae/i” who are tenured associate professors or professors, and an additional 18 individuals who are former or current FDRA recipients at the assistant professor level.

On Thursday-Friday, April 16-17, 2009, these individuals have been invited back to give presentations on their scholarly research. The majority of their work has been on racial/ethnic studies topics, but others have focused on STEM and other areas and disciplines. The symposium's first day will focus on the research and scholarship of FDRA recipients, and the second day will concentrate on issues such as mentoring, the tenure process, campus climate, publication strategies, extramural funding opportunities, etc. The faculty mentors of FRDA recipients, as well as campus administrators such as provosts, deans, and department chairs, will comprise these panels and sessions.

The target audience for this IRE Symposium should be all faculty and others who are interested in both racial/ethnic studies and campus climate issues such as the diversification of our faculties. We hope to attract potential FDRA applicants, faculty who do research and teach in the area of racial/ethnic studies, affirmative action officers, grant officers, campus administrators, senior faculty mentors, etc. The IRE is working with the chief affirmative action officer on each of the campuses to assemble a campus team to attend. If you are interested in attending, please contact:

- UW Colleges and UW-Extension: David Prucha (david.prucha@uwex.edu)
- UW-Eau Claire: Teresa O'Halloran (ohallote@uwec.edu) and David Shih (shihd@uwec.edu)
- UW-Green Bay: Sheryl Van Gruensven (vangueres@uwgb.edu)
- UW-La Crosse: Carmen Wilson Van Voorhis (wilson.carm@uwlax.edu)
and Judith Albert (albert.judi@uwlax.edu)
- UW-Madison: Luis Pinero (lapinero@vc.wisc.edu) and Bonnie Sundal (bsundal@vc.wisc.edu)
- UW-Milwaukee: Linda Huang (lhuang@uwm.edu) for Michael Powell
- UW-Oshkosh: Pamela Lassiter (lassitep@uwosh.edu)
- UW-Parkside: Eugene Fujimoto (eugene.fujimoto@uwp.edu)
- UW-Platteville: Kathleen Kelley (kelley@uwplatt.edu)
- UW-River Falls: E. Craig Morris (craig.morris@uwrif.edu)
- UW-Stevens Point: Mai Vang (mavang@uwsp.edu)
- UW-Stout: Donna Weber (weberd@uwstout.edu) and Linda Borofka (borofkal@uwstout.edu)
- UW-Superior: Michael McDonald (mmcdona2@uwsuper.edu)
- UW-Whitewater: Elizabeth Ogunisola (ogunsole@uww.edu)

For more information on participating and/or registering, contact the IRE's associate director, Tom Tonnesen, at: tonnesen@uwm.edu or (414) 229-4700.

3. UW System Women's Studies Consortium—Annual Conference—(April 3-4, 2009, at UW-Madison) **3**
(Priority Registration Date: March 13, 2009)
<http://wsc.uwsa.edu/index.htm>

The 33rd Annual Wisconsin Women's Studies and 4th LGBTQ Conferences will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 3-4, 2009, at the Pyle Center on the UW-Madison campus. This year's theme is "*Collaboration, Co-operation, and Co-optation in the Academy: Women's Studies, Gender Studies, and LGBTQ Research, Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism.*"

This year, the IRE is pleased to have been asked to collaborate with the UW System Women's Studies Consortium in helping to solicit conference proposals on an important conference "thread" entitled "*Intersections of Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Sexuality.*" The IRE was delighted in the response to its call for proposals, resulting in 20 presentations by UW System faculty and others under this "thread."

Another important event that takes place at this conference annually is the presentation of the UW System's "Outstanding Women of Color in Education" awards.

For more information on attending the conference, contact the director of the Women's Studies Consortium, Helen Klebesadel, at: hklebesadel@uwsa.edu or (608) 262-3056 or (608) 263-2555

4. UW System Office of Professional and Instructional Development (OPID)—Spring Conference
(Friday-Saturday, April 17-18, 2009, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Milwaukee)
(Priority Registration Date: Contact your Provost's Office by March 12, 2009)
<http://www.uwsa.edu/opid>

This year's conference theme is "*Pedagogies of Hope: Inspiring, Understanding, and Assessing Student Learning.*" It is designed to "optimistically look to the future as the UW System embraces initiatives devoted to liberal education, inclusive excellence, and technology." The keynote speaker, Professor Melissa Harris-Lacewell of Princeton University's Department of Politics and African American Studies, will address the audience at dinner on Friday, April 17.

The IRE's Symposium on "Supporting and Retaining Diverse Faculty..." will end at mid-day on Friday, April 17, and we encourage our attendees to dovetail their visit to Milwaukee by partaking in the OPID Conference that continues throughout the day on Friday, April 17, and concludes after lunch on Saturday, April 18.

For more information on the OPID Conference, contact their assistant director, Donna Silver, at: dsilver@uwsa.edu or (608) 262-4337

5. Call for Proposals: IRE Graduate Associate Scholars Program for 2009-10
http://www4.uwm.edu/ire/grant_programs/graduate_scholars.html

One of the IRE's unique grant opportunities provides monetary support and networking assistance to doctoral students at UW-Madison and UW-Milwaukee whose dissertation research is on racial/ethnic topics. The IRE's actual call for proposals for 2009-10 academic year applications will be released near the end of March 2009, but you can learn more by linking (see above URL) to the announcement for the current 2008-09 year. The IRE's current Graduate Associate Scholars and their research topics are:

- [Ikuko Asaka \(iasaka@wisc.edu\)](mailto:iasaka@wisc.edu), Department of History, UW-Madison
"*At the Intersection of the Empire and the Republic: The Fugitive Slave and the Constructions of Race and Nationality in the Transatlantic Abolition Movement, 1830-1872*"
- [Matthew Desmond \(mdesmond@ssc.wisc.edu\)](mailto:mdesmond@ssc.wisc.edu), Department of Sociology, UW-Madison
"*Eviction and the Reproduction of Inner-City Poverty*"
- [Rebecca Lowenhaupt \(lowenhaupt@wisc.edu\)](mailto:lowenhaupt@wisc.edu), Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis, UW-Madison
"*Educating the New Latino Diaspora: School Adaptation to Demographic Shift*"
- [MyLou Moua \(mylou@uwm.edu\)](mailto:mylou@uwm.edu), Department of Educational Psychology, UW-Milwaukee
"*Socialization Patterns and Hmong American Families*"
- [Jackleen Salem \(jsalem@uwm.edu\)](mailto:jsalem@uwm.edu), Department of History, UW-Milwaukee
"*A History of Muslims in America: Chicago Before and After 9/11*"

If you teach and/or do research in the area of racial/ethnic studies, the IRE's Course Syllabi Bank is a valuable and powerful tool for learning and sharing ideas. Currently, there are nearly **500 course syllabi** listed across a wide variety of disciplines and all the campuses of the UW System. Also, there is a "search" feature that allows users to focus their queries. Check it out at: http://www4.uwm.edu/ire/syllabi_bank/index.html

The Syllabi Bank is a "living, breathing document" that can only thrive with your cooperation. The provost's office on each campus has identified an individual to serve as a liaison for the collection of syllabi. We urge you to send your syllabi to them as a Word document, and they will forward them to the IRE for uploading onto the Syllabi Bank website. Below is a listing of the campus liaisons:

UW Colleges: Sharon Brickl (sharon.brickl@uwc.edu)
UW-Eau Claire: Margaret Cassidy (cassidml@uwec.edu)
UW-Extension: Evelyn Fleming (fleminge@wpt.org) and Jason Messer (jason.messer@learn.uwsa.edu)
UW-Green Bay: Regan A. R. Gurung (gurungr@uwgb.edu)
UW-La Crosse: Vincent Her (her.vinc@uwlax.edu)
UW-Madison: At this time, send your syllabi directly to Tom Tonnesen, the IRE's associate director, at: tonnesen@uwm.edu
UW-Milwaukee: Connie Jo (conniejo@uwm.edu)
UW-Oshkosh: Carleen Vande Zande (vandezac@uwosh.edu)
UW-Parkside: Fay Yokomizo Akindes (fay.akindes@uwp.edu)
UW-Platteville: Rosalyn Broussard (broussar@uwplatt.edu)
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UW-Stevens Point: Patricia Ploetz (pploetz@uwsp.edu)
UW-Stout: Janice Coker (cokerj@uwstout.edu)
UW-Superior: Eri Fujieda (efujieda@uwsuper.edu)
UW-Whitewater: Leslie Meyer (meyerl@uww.edu)

7. IRE Advisory Committee

The structure of the IRE includes a faculty or academic staff member, appointed by her/his respective provost, at each UW campus, who serves on the IRE's Advisory Committee. These individuals play an important role as the IRE liaison and its "eyes-and-ears" on the various campuses, assisting in providing program input, updating mailing and e-mail lists, publicizing IRE grant opportunities and events, forwarding campus information for the IRE's *Kaleidoscope II* newsletter and website, and organizing campus visits by IRE staff. To learn more about the role of the Advisory Committee and its members, including photos, go to:

http://www4.uwm.edu/ire/advisory_committee/index.html

UW Colleges: Julie Tharp, Department of English/Associate Dean (julie.tharp@uwc.edu)
UW-Eau Claire: Jill Pinkney Pastrana, Foundations of Education (pastrajp@uwec.edu)
UW-Extension: Ann Keim (Interim), Special Assistant to the Vice Chancellor (ann.keim@uwex.edu)
UW-Green Bay: Regan A. R. Gurung, Human Development and Psychology (gurungr@uwgb.edu)
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UW-River Falls: Cyndi Kernahan, Department of Psychology (cynthia.kernahan@uwrf.edu)
UW-Stevens Point: Sarah Pogell, Department of English (spogell@uwsp.edu)
UW-Stout: Howard Lee, School of Education (leeh@uwstout.edu)
UW-Superior: Eri Fujieda, Department of Social Inquiry (efujieda@uwsuper.edu)
UW System (*ex officio*): Vicki Washington, Associate Vice President for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (vwashington@uwsa.edu)
UW-Whitewater: Helena Addae, Management Department (addaeh@uww.edu)

Not sure you are on the IRE's e-mail and mailing lists? Want to make sure you receive IRE grant announcements and event publicity in a timely fashion? Go to: http://www4.uwm.edu/ire/ mailing_list/index.html

Is there an upcoming event on your campus that focuses on racial/ethnic issues? Want to reach a wider audience by posting it on the IRE website? Go to: http://www4.uwm.edu/ire/conferences_events/event_form.html

9. Other News:

- Congratulations to Vicki Washington who has been named the Associate Vice President for Equity Diversity, and Inclusion, University of Wisconsin System, Office of Academic Affairs. A new administrative structure now has the IRE reporting to her office.
- The IRE is excited that its Campus Reading Seminars for the 2008-09 academic year are "off and running" across the UW System's campuses. This year, 43 seminars involving 479 individuals are reading and discussing a total of 75 books. For a listing of the seminar moderators, the campuses, and the books being discussed, go to: http://www4.uwm.edu/ire/grant_programs/recipients/reading_seminars/reading_seminars_08-09.html
- Congratulations to Regan A. R. Gurung, the IRE's Advisory Committee member from UW-Green Bay, who recently has co-authored a book entitled "*Optimizing Teaching and Learning: Practicing Pedagogical Research*." The publisher is Wiley-Blackwell. For more information, go to: <http://www.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-1405161795.html>
- A new book entitled "*The Selma of the North: Civil Rights Insurgency in Milwaukee*" has just been released by Harvard University Press. Its author is Patrick D. Jones, Assistant Professor of History and Ethnic Studies at the University of Nebraska. For more information, go to: <http://www.hup.harvard.edu/catalog/JONSEL.html>
- National Conference on Race and Ethnicity in American Higher Education (NCORE), May 26 through 30, 2009—San Diego, CA— <http://www.ncore.ou.edu>