

WANG CENTER GRANTS PROGRAM FOR 2008-09 FACULTY INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH/TRAVEL AWARDS

Individual faculty may apply for up to \$2,500 to support international advanced research or travel and development of an off-campus student learning opportunities (e.g., J-term courses, internships, etc).

Eligibility:

- All full time tenured and tenure-track faculty and long-term visiting faculty members at PLU are welcome to apply.
- Project activities must be completed by the end of May 2009.
- Grant proposals cannot be submitted for research or travel to any location(s) designated by the U.S. State Department as having a “travel warning” (<http://travel.state.gov/>).

Applications should include:

- A completed application cover sheet.
- A narrative description of the proposed project. See Evaluation Criteria for guidelines. Narratives should be limited to 2-3 pages, single-spaced, 12 point font, excluding budget page.
- A budget of estimated expenses. (**NOTE:** Any additional sources of funding should be specified).

See Evaluation Criteria to determine which category, Research or Travel, best corresponds with your project. Special consideration will be given to first-time applicants for Wang Center support.

Applications are due to Neal Sobania, Executive Director, Wang Center for International Programs, via email at sobania@plu.edu by 5 pm, **Friday, February 22, 2008**. The cover sheet with signatures is due via hard copy by the deadline. Please contact Neal with any questions at 535-7281 or email.

Applications will be reviewed by members of the Global Education Committee (GEC), and the faculty member’s CV may be considered (however a copy is not required with the application). Decisions will be announced by the Wang Center mid March.

Requirements:

In accepting a Wang Center research/travel grant, a faculty member agrees to the meet the following requirements:

- All expenses must be fully documented and signed off through the Wang Center. Unexpended funds revert to the Wang Center. Funding available June 2, 2008.
- Funds from a particular award may only be expended for that proposed project/activity and may not be applied to an unrelated project/activity. Contemplated changes to the planned itinerary should be discussed in advance with the Wang Center Director.
- A report on the awarded project must be submitted to the Executive Director of the Wang Center no later than June 30, 2009. Failure to submit a project report will make individuals ineligible for future grants.

Evaluation Criteria:

Research

Research Objective (40 points)

- What are your research questions or objectives? What will be the focus? (10 points)
- How is your research related to existing scholarship in your study field and closely related disciplines? (10 points)
- What contribution does your project make to your field of study and closely related disciplines? (10 points)
- How does the research fit with your academic goals and PLU's global education vision of educating for a just, healthy, sustainable, and peaceful world? (10 points)

Preparation and Implementation (40 points)

- In order to answer your research questions or accomplish your research objectives, what evidence do you need and how will you obtain the evidence? (10 points)
- Why is the site appropriate to conduct your research? (10 points)
- What is the time line and budget? (10 points)
- How are you prepared to conduct research (i.e. your language competence, technical skills, previous work, networks to local individuals and institutions, and any other relevant matter)? (10 points)

NOTE: If this research project in anyway involves the interviewing of, the completion of a questionnaire BY, or the collection of other data from human subjects, has a proposal been submitted and permission received to the PLU Human Participants Review Board for this project? ____ YES ____ NO

If you are unclear on what this HPRB approval is about please see:

<http://www.plu.edu/~hprb/doc/hprb-proposal-1.pdf>

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Research Outcome (20 points)

- What are the expected outcomes? What is the likelihood that expected outcomes will be met, as judged by the quality of the project's organization and your background and preparation for the proposed project? (10 points)
- How will you share findings or experience of the research with others in the PLU community and elsewhere? (10 points)

Travel

Travel Objectives, Plans and Outcomes (100 points)

- What are your travel objectives (i.e., paper presentation, site visit for future research or course development, or combination of these)? Why do you need to make a trip to the site? (20 points)
- How does the travel fit with your academic goals and PLU's global education vision of educating for a just, healthy, sustainable, and peaceful world? (20 points)
- What is the time line and budget? Why are other sources not available? (20 points)
- How do you enhance your scholastic capacity (teaching and/or future research) by this travel? How may you practically use your travel experience at PLU or elsewhere? (20 points)
- What are the expected outcomes? What is the likelihood that expected outcomes will be met, as judged by your background and organization of the proposed travel? (20 points)

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FACULTY INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH/TRAVEL GRANT COVER SHEET

Name: _____

Department: _____

Campus Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Travel Destination(s): _____

Project Title: _____

Project Abstract (75 word maximum):

Have you applied for a Wang Center Grant previously? Yes No

If yes, when? _____

Did you receive the award? Yes No

Attach a description of the proposed project following the Evaluation Criteria.

Ensure that your application reaches Neal Sobania by 5 pm, Friday, February 22, 2008.

Applicant signature: _____ Date: _____

Program/Department Chair: _____ Date: _____

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