

Call for Applications: Tobias Center Faculty Research Support Fund

The Randall L. and Deborah F. Tobias Center for Innovation in International Development is pleased to announce the inaugural call for applications to the Center's Faculty Research Support Fund. The Fund offers grants to Bloomington faculty and PhD student research projects related to the major themes of the Center: measuring development; international investment and development; climate change, development, and the environment; and global public health and development. The Tobias Center seeks to support and promote new and innovative research in the history, theory, and practice of international development and connect IU faculty across campus with shared interest in these topics.

Eligibility:

IU-Bloomington tenured/tenure track faculty and PhD students are eligible to apply, as are research teams that include at least one researcher who fits this classification.

Award Types and Funding Criteria:

The Research Support Fund will support a range of research initiatives in the social sciences and humanities. Applicants may apply for two types of awards:

- 1) **Research Support Grant.** The maximum award for this grant is **\$5,000**. These grants support initial field work and data collection, RAs for gathering/coding data, paying for data licenses, costs associated with running surveys and experiments, archival and library research, and other justifiable research expenses. Summer salary and/or conference travel is NOT supported under this fund. The Center encourages applications from both individual and team-based projects. This includes offering support funds for collaborative endeavors with other IU-based funding sources, including, but not limited to, stimulating research activities at the IU gateways.
- 2) **Research Promotion Grant:** The maximum award for this grant is **\$1,250**. These grants are designed to defray costs of promoting research into international development in scholarly and public venues, such as presentations at major conferences and workshops.

Reporting Requirements:

Grant recipients should expect to share their research findings on the Center's website and at least one Tobias Center event. They should provide a brief overview of how they used the research grant by October 15, 2019.

Application Procedures:

Applications for research to be conducted or presented during the 2018-2019 year should be submitted by email to TOBIASDV@iu.edu by **October 15, 2018**. Applicants should specify the type of grant for which they wish to apply and the total amount of funding they request in the body of the email.

Proposal Content:

Successful applications must include:

- A research proposal of no more than 1,000 words that describes the project's content, scholarly significance, and contribution to the Tobias Center's mission.
- A short budget of no more than one page that lists the total funding requested, how funds will be used, and other available sources of funding applied for and received.
- A c.v.

All documents should be submitted as PDF files.

Award Criteria: The Tobias Center will decide awards based on the originality of the proposal, its significance, and its relevance to the Tobias Center's mission. Preference will also be given to projects seeking seed money for new research, rather than projects nearing completion. A three-person committee composed of IU faculty members will review the applications.

More information on the Tobias Center and its past activities is available on the Center website: <https://tobiasdevelopment.indiana.edu/index.html>. Please send any questions to TOBIASDV@iu.edu.