

Annual Report 2022-2023

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Goals and Objectives:

Each year, the Research, Scholarship, and Professional Growth Committee reviews proposals in several categories. To date we have given the following funds:

- **Fall Term**
 - Travel Stipends (From RSPG funds) - \$19,805.00
 - Hemingway Faculty Vitality - \$10,000.00
 - Hemingway Adjunct Faculty - \$707.61
 - Presidential Innovative Teaching Grants - \$5,451.00
 - George and Beth Lowe Innovative Teaching Grants - \$7,299.53
 - Community Engaged Learning - \$5,000.00
- **Spring Term**
 - Travel Stipends (From RSPG funds) - \$21,399.88
 - Hemingway Faculty Vitality - \$16,011.44
 - Presidential Innovative Teaching Grants - \$22,882.00
 - George and Beth Lowe Innovative Teaching Grants - \$7,454.47
 - Hemingway Collaborative and Excellence Awards - \$82,222.00
 - Hemingway New Faculty - \$18,897.00
 - Community Engaged Learning - \$5,000
 - Hemingway Adjunct Faculty - \$3,292.39
- **Summer Term**
 - Travel Stipends (From RSPG funds) - \$3,548.68
 - Hemingway New Faculty - \$2,800.00

During the 2022-2023 academic year, we received funding requests for \$317,605.39 and awarded funding of \$226,315.85. Departments, Colleges, community partners, and more pledged matching funds of \$644,276.84. This has allowed us to leverage a total of \$870,592.69 to promote faculty growth and professional development this academic year.

Across semesters, we saw an increase in applications for travel funding for conferences, creative works (including music performances and art installations), and other professional development.

Due to low requests for Hemingway New Faculty grants during the Spring 2023 round of applications, we reopened this category for applications during the Summer 2023 round (applications due 5/5/23) and received several applications that utilized the remaining funding.

Additional Notes

The largest undertaking by the committee this year was a switch to applications using Google Forms with fillable PDF forms for budget. Additionally, rather than relying on applicants to solicit signatures from their RSPG committee members, chairs, deans, and (where applicable) project directors and IRB reviewers, the committee chair (Sarah Herrmann) utilized Adobe Sign to collect signatures after applications were submitted. The committee agreed that this method was preferable to the old submissions and will continue.

In concert with RSPG Ex-Officio Brenda Kowalewski and Provost Ravi Krovi, the committee updated descriptions for the Hemingway Collaborative and Excellence Awards on the website to reflect the goals of the Hemingway Foundation (i.e., "Applicants will indicate how their proposal is consistent with at least one of the following strategic goals: equity, diversity, and inclusion; student success; or community engagement and economic development"). Additionally, the application was updated to ensure that requests detailed alignment with these strategic goals. A new category was added to the rubric for use with Hemingway Collaborative and Excellence Awards to assess consistency with the strategic goals.

Beginning Summer 2022, the committee chair (Sarah Herrmann) worked with Heidi Parker of Academic Web Services to redesign the RSPG website to make it more user friendly. In March 2023, Ella Mitchell reached out about redesigning the page to be consistent with other faculty senate pages, to be undertaken by Shaylee Stevens in Marketing & Communication going forward.

Committee members continue to email their respective colleges once or twice per semester to inform them about the available awards and upcoming deadlines. We hope that this increases awareness of available funding through RSPG and increases participation, especially for Adjunct and New Faculty grants.

Meetings and Awards:

- Five RSPG meetings were scheduled: Sept. 9, Oct. 14, Jan. 19, Feb. 16, and May 9
- The Gwen Williams Award was determined via ranked voting. The winners of the 2023 Gwen Williams Prize were Julie Rich, Mark Bigler, Sally Cantwell, Kendall Beazer, Shauna Morris, Shawna Code, and Diana Meiser for "Ghana Make a Difference Global Agents of Change."

The Awards are as follows:

Travel Fall 2022			
PI	Total Trip	Requested	Awarded
Valentinas Rudys	\$1,205.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Electra Fielding	\$1,503.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Brandon Koford	\$3,342.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Andrea Garavito-Martinez	\$1,925.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Kyra Hudson	\$1,300.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Emily January Petersen	\$2,450.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
R.C. Morris	\$1,534.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Daniel Jonas	\$1,560.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Tariq Arif	\$1,398.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Aminda O'Hare	\$2,201.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Hailey Gillen Hoke	\$1,961.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Aaron Atkins	\$1,550.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Youn Soo Kim Goldstein	\$1,622.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Hal Crimmel	\$2,525.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Alicia Ingersoll	\$1,978.00	\$740.00	\$715.00
Nils Murrugarra-Llerena	\$2,750.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
James Turner	\$1,334.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Chris Scheidler	\$1,978.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Ivy Brenneman	\$1,950.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
María del Mar González-González	\$1,357.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Juan Carlos Claudio	\$1,225.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Amanda Sowerby	\$1,225.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
C. David Walters	\$2,099.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Javier Alvaro Berzal Rojo	\$1,810.00	\$745.00	\$715.00
Andrea Baltazar	\$1,150.00	\$750.00	\$0.00
jo Blake	\$1,841.00	\$750.00	\$715.00

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Bharath Babu Nunna	\$2,257.00	\$750.00	\$715.00
Elizabeth Sandquist	\$2,630.00	\$720.00	\$715.00
Trishelle Jeffery	\$1,649.00	\$750.00	\$715.00

Fall 2022 Awards					
PI	Type	Awarded	Request	Matching	Total
Sperry	Vitality	\$1,722.69	\$1,722.69	\$3,500.00	\$5,222.69
Wolfe	Vitality	\$1,116.04	\$1,116.04	\$3,327.54	\$4,443.58
Fitel-Akelbek	Vitality	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,776.00	\$2,976.00
Howerton	Vitality	\$2,847.00	\$2,847.00	\$1,900.00	\$4,747.00
Fudge	Vitality	\$1,412.10	\$1,412.10	\$2,100.00	\$3,512.10
Wolochowicz	Vitality	\$1,702.17	\$3,000.00	\$1,492.00	\$4,492.00
Rabosky	Lowe	\$2,449.53	\$2,449.53	\$700.00	\$3,149.53
Clark	Presidential	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$800.00	\$2,800.00
Y. Zhang	Presidential	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00	\$865.00	\$2,115.00
Gillen Hoke	Presidential	\$2,201.00	\$2,201.00	\$0.00	\$2,201.00
Peckenpaugh	Lowe	\$1,850.00	\$1,850.00	\$600.00	\$2,450.00
Mock	Lowe	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,400.00	\$4,400.00
Thomas	Adjunct	\$457.61	\$457.61	\$556.20	\$1,013.81
Cruz	Adjunct	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$700.00	\$950.00
C. Lewis	CCEL	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$131,199.78	\$136,199.78

Travel Spring 2023			
PI	Total Trip	Requested	Awarded
Sarah Steimel	\$1,573.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Cynthia Jones	\$2,233.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Ezgi Yesilyurt	\$1,696.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Teri Henke	\$1,709.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Hailey Gillen Hoke	\$1,188.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Aaron Atkins	\$2,000.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Esther Jeehae Ahn	\$2,034.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Madeline Mackie	\$1,287.00	\$485.00	\$485.00

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Matt Paulson	\$1,775.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
David Yoder	\$1,278.37	\$484.90	\$484.90
Sarah Herrmann	\$1,214.98	\$750.00	\$750.00
Heeuk Dennis Lee	\$1,603.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Sara Gailey	\$2,194.36	\$750.00	\$750.00
Robert Ball	\$3,900.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Aminda O'Hare	\$1,560.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Azenett Garza	\$1,328.78	\$679.98	\$679.98
Richard Price	\$2,046.24	\$750.00	\$750.00
Melinda Russell-Stamp	\$1,158.94	\$750.00	\$750.00
Mylynn Felt	\$2,109.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Shi-Hwa Wang	\$1,208.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Yu-Jane Yang	\$951.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Valentinas Rudys	\$1,523.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Dori Huang	\$1,850.00	\$750.00	\$750.00

Spring 2023 Awards					
PI	Type	Request	Award	Matching	Total
Twing	Research	\$2,200.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,319.00	\$6,519.00
Gillen Hoke	Research	\$2,720.94	\$2,720.94	\$2,056.00	\$4,776.94
Price	Research	\$2,562.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,100.00	\$3,662.00
Mull	Vitality	\$1,927.00	\$1,250.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,427.00
Zhang	Vitality	\$555.50	\$555.50	\$400.00	\$955.50
Arif	Research	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,840.00	\$5,840.00
Akelbek	Vitality	\$2,140.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,482.00	\$3,622.00
Wolfe	Travel	\$3,000.00	\$1,250.00	\$1,147.00	\$4,147.00
Bigler	Vitality	\$3,889.00	\$1,250.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,889.00
Hubler	Travel	\$1,136.66	\$750.00	\$200.00	\$1,336.66
Bergeson	Travel	\$2,908.00	\$1,250.00	\$499.00	\$3,407.00
Hurd	Travel	\$795.00	\$750.00	\$490.00	\$1,285.00
Herzog	Travel	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$752.00	\$1,502.00
Stramer Smith	Vitality	\$1,235.00	\$1,235.00	\$200.00	\$1,435.00

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Murrugarra-Llerena	New Faculty	\$3,000.60	\$3,000.60	\$3,222.00	\$6,222.60
Dowdell	New Faculty	\$1,463.53	\$1,463.53	\$1,968.05	\$3,431.58
Hamilton, Alexander, & Mower	New Faculty	\$11,436.00	\$4,335.37	\$1,500.00	\$12,936.00
LaGrone	New Faculty	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$800.00	\$2,200.00
Pagonis	New Faculty	\$2,997.50	\$2,997.50	\$1,024.20	\$4,021.70
Gailey	New Faculty	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,742.28	\$5,442.28
Mock & Hurd	New Faculty	\$17,650.38	\$3,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$22,150.38
Lewis et al.	Collaborative	\$19,200.00	\$10,000.00	\$265,224.00	\$284,424.00
Frazier, Balgord, & Herrmann	Collaborative	\$10,420.00	\$10,420.00	\$5,400.00	\$15,820.00
Iranzo	Collaborative	\$4,900.00	\$4,900.00	\$3,310.00	\$8,210.00
Zhao, Russell-Stamp, Velazquez	Collaborative	\$4,850.00	\$4,850.00	\$800.00	\$5,650.00
Martinez	Excellence	\$36,663.20	\$21,972.36	\$0.00	\$36,663.20
Batista & Callahan	Collaborative	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$4,000.00
Hamilton, Alexander, & Mower	Collaborative	\$11,436.00	\$6,579.64	\$1,500.00	\$12,936.00
Blake et al.	Excellence	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Corbin & Lee	Collaborative	\$23,824.00	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$23,824.00
Hanaki & Kodi	Presidential	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$99,500.00	\$104,500.00
Rudys & Jones	Presidential	\$1,923.00	\$1,923.00	\$3,250.00	\$5,173.00
Mock & Hurd	Presidential	\$17,650.38	\$6,596.20	\$4,500.00	\$22,150.38
Jones	Presidential	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$1,588.00	\$5,088.00
Garza Caballero	Lowe	\$2,225.88	\$2,225.88	\$1,500.00	\$3,725.88
Silberman	Lowe	\$2,855.23	\$2,855.23	\$1,000.00	\$3,855.23
OHare	Lowe	\$860.00	\$860.00	\$300.00	\$1,160.00
Packer	Presidential	\$1,215.69	\$1,215.69	\$100.00	\$1,315.69
Fielding	Lowe	\$1,200.00	\$1,160.00	\$900.00	\$2,100.00
Hamilton, Alexander, & Mower	Collaborative	\$11,436.00	\$520.99	\$1,500.00	\$12,936.00
Gnagey	Adjunct	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$650.00	\$2,650.00
Peterson	Adjunct	\$771.40	\$771.40	\$0.00	\$771.40
Blake	CCEL	\$6,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$8,000.00

Travel Summer 2023			
PI	Total Trip	Requested	Awarded
Heather Root	\$1,557.00	\$750.00	\$709.00
Michele Skopec	\$2,230.00	\$750.00	\$709.00
Mary Beth Willard	\$1,635.00	\$750.00	\$709.00
Andrew Rice	\$1,600.00	\$750.00	\$709.00
David Byrd	\$6,000.00	\$750.00	\$709.00

Objectives for Next Year:

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