CRE² Affiliate Labs/Start Ups/Ateliers (LSA) Description

As part of its Innovation Space, the Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity & Equity (CRE²) incubates time-limited, theme-based, experimental Affiliate Labs/Start Ups/Ateliers (LSAs). Within the CRE² landscape, LSAs are a primary space to transform research ideas into concrete possibilities. These are highly flexible, Affiliate-led, and defined spaces in which Affiliates can envision myriad collaborations, engagements, and experimentation in a lab, start up, or atelier model. Although we invite highly imaginative definitions of LSAs, we provide some considerations for Affiliates as they envision the best model.

Labs (or laboratories) are typically spaces designed for inquiry through collaborative analysis and experimentation to assess and address problems. Start Ups are transitional entities designed to develop, validate, and accelerate the production of concrete deliverables. Ateliers might follow the workshop and training model of nimble, non-credit bearing, short and focused trans-school and trans-department seminars. Ateliers might serve as models for eventual formal, school-based courses or as ends in themselves. LSAs encompass both solo and collaborative projects, in addition to experimental models for learning and training. We invite Affiliates to design their LSA.

LSA Leads can apply for **up to $5,000** in startup funds. In addition, CRE² provides limited additional administrative support to ensure LSAs are able to thrive, experiment with new lines of inquiry and methodological approaches, and expand their networks and public footprint.

CRE² support includes:
- Support in securing a physical space in which the LSAs and its events can convene; *LSA Leads are responsible for scheduling and correspondence with collaborators;
- Support for reasonable expenses up to $5,000;
- Where feasible, thought partnering and facilitation in identifying additional financial support; and
- Support in publicizing LSAs and their events, media, and outcomes.

To amplify their impact, all LSAs must submit:

- Materials to ensure their presence on the CRE² website is up to date, including notifying us of any research products, publications, events, or media;
- An end-of-year one-page report that details the LSA's goals and accomplishments that will be included in the CRE² archives and will help us evaluate our LSAs:
  - Did you accomplish your stated goals for the academic year? Why or why not?
  - How has the LSA evolved?
  - Do you plan to continue the LSA next year?

- If yes, how will you support the LSA?
            - If no, why are you ending the LSA (e.g., has met stated goals, is being transformed into a research institute, LSA Lead is departing)?
        - Have you applied for additional funds to support the LSA?
            - If yes, please prove additional detail? (Any additional funds will be acknowledged on the CRE^2 website.)
        - What can CRE^2 to better support the LSA in the coming year?
    - A 200-word end-of-year summary showcasing LSA outcomes for the CRE^2 website

Eligibility
- Any CRE^2 Affiliate may apply for an LSA.
- All LSA Leads must be CRE^2 Affiliates.

Template for Submissions

Composition: LSAs may be led by a single Affiliate, although preference may be given to more robust LSAs. LSAs may also include students, faculty members from other institutions, non-academic researchers and practitioners, and community members. The individuals who submit the application will be responsible for managing the LSAs and submitting requisite updates and documentation.

Structure: LSAs will be approved for up to four semesters, although longer terms may approved on a case-by-case basis. At the conclusion of their initial term, LSA may reapply for additional tenure. All LSAs will be reviewed annually.

Application Process: CRE^2 anticipates funding three new LSAs per year, and proposals are accepted on a rolling basis. (Affiliates may identify additional ways to start LSAs with alternative funding sources.) Note that there is limited funding available for LSAs; the website will be updated when LSA funds are exhausted for the year. Proposals should be submitted via email to cre2@wustl.edu with the subject heading "2021 CRE^2 LSA Submission."

Startup: LSAs can apply for a one-time startup budget of $5,000. We encourage LSA Leads to supplement these startup funds with additional internal or external funds, which will be acknowledged on the LSA webpage. CRE^2 may be able to help facilitate identifying funding. Please provide a detailed budget proposal for how funds will be used (e.g., modest honoraria to defray a speaker's travel expense, film rental).

APPLICATION INFORMATION

LSA NAME

LSA Lead *Please submit CV of up to 3 pages with the application (also please include CVs for any LSA members)*

     Name

     Title

     Primary School/Department

     CRE^2 Faculty Affiliate   Yes   No

LSA Lead #2 (if applicable)

     Name

     Title

     Primary School/Department

     CRE^2 Faculty Affiliate   Yes   No

LSA Lead #3 (if applicable)

     Name

     Title

     Primary School/Department

CRE^2 Faculty Affiliate   Yes   No

Additional LSA Members (please list, if applicable)

CRE^2 Initiated LSA   Yes   No
     If Yes, List CRE^2 Theme(s) relevant to LSA

Scholar Initiated LSA   Yes   No

Description of LSA:
Please attach a description of the goals for the LSA, anticipated activities and outcomes (limit up to one page).

Proposed Budget for LSA:
Please attach a proposed budget for anticipated activities.