

Call for Proposals -- Application Guidance Fall 2019

The **Social Policy Institute** at Washington University and the **McDonnell Academy** are seeking proposals for collaboration between Washington University researchers and researchers for international work with a policy focus. The Social Policy Institute's focus on cross-sector collaboration and international research is a natural complement to the McDonnell Academy's emphasis on incubating domestic and international research talent and strengthening Washington University's global profile. As such, this **joint seed grant program** will capitalize on the strengths of both institutions and further establish Washington University as a leader in global research.

The goal is to develop research related to *fostering international collaboration on policy projects*.

Awards

We anticipate providing up to five awards ranging from \$10,000-\$15,000 each.

Eligibility

Washington University faculty members performing work that fits within the Social Policy Institute and the McDonnell Academy missions are welcome to apply to facilitate the rapid development and dissemination of evidence-based research to support real-life application of social policy analysis.

The research funded under this program will:

- Include at least one faculty researcher from Washington University and one faculty researcher from an international university;
- Focus on research questions relevant to significant social policy issues in international settings. Preference will be given to questions that consider how social policy in an international setting might apply to social policy in the US, Missouri, and/or St. Louis;
- Approach social policy issues with innovative frameworks, methods, or interventions;
- Have the potential to attract funding for the research after the seed grant period has ended;
- Produce a joint proposal (including envisioned project, activities, milestones & deliverables, timeline, staffing and budget) and a proposal dissemination plan (i.e., describing communications and funding ideas) for a research project targeting policy and practice communities.

Application Requirements

To apply for the grant, applicants will need to submit a short proposal including a project concept (1-2 pgs., maximum), a list of personnel working on the joint proposal, potential impact and outcomes of the work, CVs for all investigators, and a list of other sources of support, if available. We encourage proposals to consider including a faculty member from a McDonnell Academy partner.

All application materials are due on November 30, 2019 to socialpolicy@wustl.edu.