The Interdisciplinary Polish Studies

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The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures

Course Development Funding

Application Information

Loyola University Chicago’s Interdisciplinary Polish Studies (POST) encourages the development of undergraduate courses concerned with or connected to the broad range of topics highlighting Poland’s intellectual contribution in the context of the European experience. It does this by offering full-time Loyola faculty stipends of up to $3,000 to those who develop their courses during the summer.

Four such stipends are available for the summer of 2016, and Faculty members in all disciplines are encouraged to apply for funding. In awarding course development funding, attention is given to distributing these funds equitably to faculty across all departments.

A call for applications goes out on or around December 1, 2015 with a due date for submission on February 29, 2016. Applications are reviewed and evaluated by the Polish Studies Advisory Board. Applications will be judged on the merit of the proposed course in relation to its pedagogy and its attention to topics of Poland’s intellectual concern - artistic, literary, political, scientific, ethical, cultural, and so on, with special emphasis on Poland’s experience during the 19th and 20th centuries.

A decision will be made by March 31, 2016.

Applicants apply with the understanding that their proposed course must be taught within three (3) semesters after it has been developed. At that time the second half of the funding ($1,500) will be dispersed.

Prospective applicants are encouraged to consult with Bozena Nowicka McLees, Director of the Interdisciplinary Polish Studies Program, in order to cultivate a constructive and pragmatic approach to course design.
Application Guidelines

Applications for course development funding must include the following:

A. Applicant Cover Sheet

B. Course Development Proposal
As an attachment to the application cover sheet, a 2-3 page description of the proposed course must be provided. This description should succinctly indicate the level (100, 200, etc.) and purpose of the course, method of instruction, textbooks and materials to be used, course requirements, and evaluation method. In addition, the proposal should explicitly state the ways that the course will integrate Poland’s intellectual concerns into a wider topic in a particular academic discipline. The guiding principle is that at least one third the course content should be explicitly devoted to Poland.

C. Instructor Background
Applications must include a paragraph on the instructor’s background in the topic and material proposed for the new course, that is, what previous research, teaching, or experience will directly contribute to the instructor’s ability to develop the course?

D. Current Curriculum Vitae
As an attachment to the application cover sheet, the current curriculum vitae of the applicant must be provided.

E. Signature of Applicant and Department Chair
All applications must include the signatures of the applicant and the applicant’s department chair.

F. Signature of the Director of the Polish Studies Program
The signature of the Director of the Polish Studies Minor is required on all undergraduate course development applications.

Applications must be submitted electronically by February 29, 2016 to: bmclees@luc.edu

Questions? Please contact POST:

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The Interdisciplinary Polish Studies

Application Cover Sheet

Proposed Course Title:

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Applicant Name: _______________________________________________

Department:

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University/Department Address: ___________________________________

University Phone/Ext: ___________________________________________

Home (or Cell) Phone: ___________________________________________

University E-mail: _____________________________________________

Date of Application Submission: ___________________________________

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Applicant’s signature        Date

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Department Chair’s signature      Date

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Polish Studies Program Director’s signature    Date