CACQI Grant Call For Proposals 2022-2023

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION: January 16th, 2023

The Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Queer Issues (CACQI) at UC Merced is offering grants for initiatives and projects that engage and promote LGBTQ+ issues on campus. We invite faculty members to consider ways in which LGBTQ+ topics can be integrated into their teaching, research, and community-building projects. We encourage individual students, student groups, and staff members to apply, whose work on campus directly associated with LGBTQ+ issues or communities.

Types of Activities Eligible for Grant

Grants for the following activities related to the LGBTQ+ identified themes will be considered. Award amounts are limited to $500 each.

Course Design. Considerations will be given to proposals to (re)design a course to include lecture content with a thematic focus on LGBTQ+ topics, including queer of color critique, social and racial justice, queer arts and aesthetics, trans studies, queer indigenous, queer cinema, LGBTQ+ literature, queer community engagement projects, and so on.

Invited Talks. Considerations will be given to invited guest speakers to give a talk to the campus community or to a specific course that the faculty member is teaching. The topic needs to be directly associated with LGBTQ+ issues.

Student Group Initiatives. Considerations will be given to on-campus student clubs and associations that plan a particular activity (a community-building project, a contest, pride week, etc) that is directly on LGBTQ+ issues.

Individual Research Projects. Considerations will be given to innovative research projects that involve LGBTQ+ issues. Grant funds can be used for any aspect of the research.

Submission Requirements

To qualify for a grant, the primary applicant must be a UC Merced faculty member (including all senate faculty members and Unit 18 lecturers), undergraduate student, graduate student, or staff member, and must submit the following:

- Name and department affiliation
- Proposal (maximum: 400 words) describing the project or activities. In your proposal, be sure to address the potential impact of your project on the UC Merced LGBTQ+ community.
- Timeline and budget (budget is not required for course design projects)

Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Scholarly and practical significance of the LGBTQ+ issues addressed by the project

- Potential for broader impacts of the project

Application Submission

Please submit your proposal as a single PDF here: https://forms.gle/g3gX2GTT9dfyK8aG6

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Funding decisions will be communicated to corresponding authors by February 1st, 2023.

Questions can be directed to the current CACQI co-chair Ren Liu (rliu45@ucmerced.edu).

Use of Fund

CACQI will make recommendations to the Chancellor's office for the use of funds. The use of funds is subject to the final approval from the Chancellor's office.

Funded projects are expected to deliver a short 200-word impact report to CACQI after the proposed activities are conducted in order for the funds to be disbursed from the Chancellor's office.

The proposed event/activity needs to be completed by **May 1st, 2023** for this round of call for proposals. Deadline for submitting receipts and impact report for reimbursement is **May 7th, 2023**. These deadlines are imposed due to the budget cycle and thus cannot be extended or changed.