The College of Humanities & Fine Arts
Student Experiential Learning Activities Fund Application Criteria

The College of Humanities & Fine Arts (HFA) is proud to announce the Experiential Learning Activities Fund. These monies are made possible through the use of your Student Learning Fee (SLF) dollars. Experiential learning opportunities afford students the opportunity “to both apply what they are learning in real world settings and reflect in a classroom setting on their service experiences.” High impact practices such as experiential learning in the community and/or by study abroad, student competitions, internships, and field based experiential learning with community partners aids in student retention and engagement. Additionally, these activities “model the idea that giving something back to the community is an important college outcome, and that working with community partners is good preparation for citizenship, work, and life.”

Through the availability of this established fund, instructors can now inform students of this opportunity as well as encourage and mentor participation. By offsetting costs associated with these activities, which traditionally have precluded some students from participating, we anticipate expanded involvement of first generation, under-represented minorities (URMs), and Pell Grant recipients.

Undergraduate and graduate students majoring in any discipline in HFA are invited to submit requests for funding. SLF funds can be used to defray the cost of participating in experiential learning opportunities, including, but not limited to, travel, lodging, registration fees, visiting artists, guest lecturers, a lecture series, or off-campus facility usage expenses.

Funding will vary dependent upon the number and type of requests for support each year. A college committee comprised of faculty, staff, and/or students will review proposals. Individual proposals will be funded up to $1000. The exact amount of funding is dependent on the student’s need and the availability of resources.

To be eligible for consideration, applicants must be:

1. Currently enrolled as a student in a BA, BFA, MA, or MFA program in the College of Humanities and Fine Arts
2. In good academic standing
3. Able to demonstrate a related need for funding relevant to their experiential learning activity

Each applicant must submit a completed application that includes the following:

1. A cover letter describing the nature of the experiential learning activity and the purpose for the requested funds
2. A brief budget specifying the amount of funding needed and describing how the monies will be used
3. A current CV
4. Supporting letter from a faculty member that illustrates the relevance of the experience to the student’s major

We encourage all students currently enrolled in an HFA academic major to apply! Applications should be submitted to the College of Humanities and Fine Arts Office (ARTS 279). Applications may be submitted at any time during the Academic Year; however, we encourage students to submit applications early, as grant money is limited.

Submit all applications and related documents as hard copy to:
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