

## **Appendix H: Internal Sources of Support for Faculty Research and Creative Work**

### **I. Internal Funding Support**

#### **A. Funding Support from the University**

The Office of the Vice President for Research provides a wide range of opportunities for discipline-specific and thematic awards. The innovative Arts and Humanities Initiative has been followed by discipline-specific initiatives in other areas: the Biological Sciences Funding Program, the Mathematical and Physical Sciences Funding Program, and the Social Sciences Funding Program. The Office of Research supports several internal funding initiatives that provide seed grants to individuals or to interdisciplinary collaborators in specific thematic areas. Descriptions of these important award programs are at <http://research.uiowa.edu/vpr/?get=fundingsources>.

The Obermann Center for Advanced Studies, on the Oakdale Research Campus, provides a locus for scholarly study and exchange, as well as important funding programs. The Obermann Center solicits competitive proposals for an annual Humanities Symposium, a major bi-annual Summer Research Seminar, and interdisciplinary collaborative research projects. These programs are described at <http://www.uiowa.edu/~obermann/grants.html>.

The Office of International Programs offers a Major Projects Fund that benefits our faculty and students by supporting symposia, workshops, conferences, and collaborative research and a Special Projects Fund, through which the Office helps host lecturers and international cultural and intellectual events. International Programs also awards Curriculum Development Funds, Summer Research Fellowships, and International Travel Funds and supports the Iowa-Iceland Exchange. These programs are described at <http://www.uiowa.edu/~ipgrants/faculty/faculty.html>.

The Provost's Office supports tenured faculty through its faculty development programs. All tenured faculty members are eligible for a one-semester Career Development Award after every ten semesters of teaching. During the semester of the award, the faculty member is released from classroom teaching and normal service duties, in order to work on a specific scholarly or artistic project, or an innovative instructional project. The Provost's Office also offers prestigious multiple-semester awards through its Faculty Scholar program, which provides mid-career faculty of great promise with opportunities for extended and concentrated work, and through its Global Scholar program, which gives recipients the opportunity to consider their research and teaching in relation to significant globalizing trends. Descriptions of these important faculty development programs are at <http://www.uiowa.edu/~provost/facdev/index.html>.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> These faculty development programs carry a significant cost to departments and colleges. Until 1998, the Office of the Provost provided some funds to pay for replacement teaching for faculty on paid leave (e.g., in areas where no other faculty member had the expertise to provide essential teaching). Since 1998, the College has funded replacement teaching exclusively from its own budget. As a result of recent budget reductions, the hiring of visitors for this purpose has been severely restricted.

The College and its departments also support flexible instructional loads for not-yet-tenured faculty, to give them the time needed to develop their scholarly and creative programs as well as their teaching programs. The Provost's Office offers summer support to untenured faculty through the Old Gold Summer Fellowships program.

### **B. Internal Funding Support from the College**

The Dean's Scholar Awards, the College's first research award program, were instituted in 1999. These provide discretionary funds for two years to highly promising faculty who have recently undergone promotion or tenure review.

The College offers major support to faculty who receive prestigious external fellowships by providing stipend supplements and fringe benefits that bring underfunded fellowship awards to the level of the faculty member's University compensation. The number of highly prestigious fellowships awarded to our faculty has increased over the past several years. In 2002-03, eleven such fellowships were awarded to CLAS faculty. (See note on page 25 of the self-study narrative.)

The College works closely with the Office of the Vice President for Research on equipment match and bridging funds for externally funded research.

### **C. Internal Travel Funding**

Institutional support for travel comes from a variety of sources:

- Allocations from the Provost and the College directly to departments
- Special collegiate allocations for not-yet-tenured faculty in their third and fourth years of appointment and for faculty engaged in instructional improvement projects
- The Office of the Vice President for Research's disciplinary initiatives and seed grant programs
- Obermann Center grants
- International Travel Funds offered by the Office of International Programs

When all these sources of funding are considered, internal travel support available to CLAS faculty appears to be at levels similar to what is available at peer institutions. However, the process of applying for the many types and source of travel funding is cumbersome.

## II. Research Centers and Institutes

Our research and creative mission is enhanced by centers and institutes within the College and University that seek external funding in support of collaborative research and student training.

### A. Research Centers in the College and its Departments

Center for the Book (reports directly to the Dean's Office)

Offers instruction in the arts and crafts of the book and supports the study of the book culture and the use of the book as a source of artifactual evidence in scholarly research.

Department of Biological Sciences

Carver Center for Comparative Genomics

Promotes the understanding of biological diversity through research and training emphasizing molecular-level and population-level processes, and through comparative analysis of genes and genomes.

W. M. Keck Dynamic Image Analysis Facility

Provides the most advanced two-dimensional and three-dimensional dynamic image analysis systems for examining, analyzing, and reconstructing the dynamics of organisms, tissues, cells, and subcellular compartments.

Department of Cinema and Comparative Literature

Institute for Cinema and Culture

Sponsors major film retrospectives, proseminars, and national film conferences on a broad spectrum of film matters. Serves as a bank of information on film and film materials for faculty and students.

School of Journalism and Mass Communication

Iowa Center for Communication Study

Publishes research in journalism and mass communication.

School of Music

Center for New Music

Functions as a laboratory and performance extension of the School's composition area and as a repertory ensemble for the creation and presentation of new music.

Department of Physics and Astronomy

Optical Science and Technology Center

Promotes research efforts and fosters cross-disciplinary interactions in areas of basic and applied optical science.

Department of Political Science

Comparative Legislative Research Center

Publishes *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, the official journal of the legislative studies section of the American Political Science Association..

### School of Social Work

#### National Resource Center on Family Centered Practice

Promotes family-centered, culturally responsive practice across human service systems through research and evaluation, training and technical assistance, and information dissemination. Includes the following:

##### Disproportionate Minority Confinement Research Center

Assists the State of Iowa's Juvenile Justice Advisory Council in implementing the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act's Disproportionate Minority Confinement requirement.

##### Latino Institute

Provides opportunities for education and training, research and evaluation, and information dissemination, nationally and internationally, related to Latina/Latino families and communities.

### Department of Sociology

#### Center for Crime and Socio-legal Studies

Interdisciplinary forum for research and training in the areas of crime, law, mental health, corrections, and social control.

#### Center for the Study of Group Processes

Promotes theory-based, scientific research on group processes.

### Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology

#### National Center for Voice and Speech

An interdisciplinary, multi-site team of investigators dedicated to studying the powers, limitations, and enhancement of human voice and speech.

## **B. Research Centers in the Office of International Programs**

#### Center for Asian and Pacific Studies

Promotes teaching, research, and outreach related to East and Southeast Asia.

#### Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies

Facilitates connections among departments and programs engaged in aspects of this area of study across the University and the region. Administers a BA degree in International Studies with emphasis in REEES, offering instruction in five regional languages.

#### Crossing Borders Project

Interdisciplinary cross-area graduate training and faculty research program involving multi-sited research at the intersection of two or more cultures.

#### National Resource Center for International Studies

Enhances and expands international teaching, research, and service in Iowa, the nation, and globally through the introduction of new programs and courses, outreach, and internship site development abroad.

## **C. Research Centers in the Office of the Vice President for Research**

#### Center for Biocatalysis and Bioprocessing

Fosters education and training, research and scholarship, and wide-ranging technology transfer activities involving biocatalysis and bioprocessing.

#### Center for Global and Regional Environmental Research

Promotes interdisciplinary research efforts that focus on the multiple aspects of global and environmental change.

### III. Journals

Our faculty serve as reviewers and section editors on hundreds of scholarly journals, and serve as editors for series of monographs. This list includes only those journals for which the **principal editorial office** is currently located in our College.

#### A. Edited by CLAS faculty and published by The University of Iowa

Department of Cinema and Comparative Literature

*IRIS: Revue de théorie de l'image et du son / A journal of theory on image and sound*

Department of Classics

*Syllecta Classica*

Department of English

*The Iowa Review* (two editions, with different content: printed/on-line)

*Philological Quarterly*

*Walt Whitman Quarterly Review*

Department of Political Science, Comparative Legislative Research Center

*Legislative Studies Quarterly* (official journal of the legislative studies section, American Political Science Association)

Department of Sociology

*Current Research in Social Psychology*

#### B. Edited by CLAS faculty and published outside The University of Iowa

Department of Anthropology

*American Ethnologist* (official journal of the American Ethnological Society)

Department of English

*Midwest Modern Language Association Journal*

Department of Geoscience

*Journal of Paleontology* (official journal of the Paleontological Society)

Department of Sociology

*The Sociological Quarterly* (official journal of the Midwest Sociological Society)

#### C. Edited by CLAS graduate students and published by The University of Iowa

Department of English

*Iowa Journal of Cultural Studies*

School of Journalism & Mass Communication

*Iowa Journalist*

Department of Spanish & Portuguese  
*Torre de Papel*

**D. Edited by CLAS graduate students and published outside The University of Iowa**

School of Journalism & Mass Communication

*Journal of Communication Inquiry* (an affiliate publication of the Cultural and Critical Studies Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication)