

UW Medicine

UW SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP AND
INNOVATION IN MEDICAL EDUCATION

*Developing a Community of Scholars by Supporting Research and Innovation
in Health Professions Education*

2021 CALL FOR GRANT PROPOSALS

Preface

CLIME's mission is to advance and support health professions education at the University of Washington and throughout the WWAMI region using state-of-the-art methods, approaches and activities. We seek to promote and advance an integrated continuum of health professions education.

In keeping with our mission, CLIME is pleased to announce a funding opportunity for faculty who are interested in pursuing education scholarship. The goal of this funding program is to provide CLIME members with opportunities to develop innovative education scholarship in the health professions, including the scholarship of discovery, integration, application, and teaching. By providing ongoing support to these activities at UW, we hope to develop and support a community of education scholars.

We are particularly interested in funding projects that include junior faculty members. While we encourage interprofessional submissions, all applications must include also include a UW School of Medicine faculty member on the project. Priority will be given to projects that are innovative, enhance the quality of research in health sciences education, and promote the application of scholarship to practice.

CLIME has made a total of \$20,000 available for funding during this grant cycle. General awards are capped at \$5,000. Travel and conference fees can NOT be supported by the grant. We seek to distribute awards across the five-state, WWAMI region. Awarded funds must be spent between July 1, 2021 and May 31st, 2022 due to purchasing deadlines by the School of Medicine.

Eligibility

1. All faculty in the University of Washington (based in Seattle and throughout the WWAMI region) are eligible to submit a proposal.
2. Applicants must be CLIME members. CLIME membership is free:
<https://clime.washington.edu/about/join-clime/>
3. Applicants may submit only one proposal per cycle as the primary author applicant but may be a collaborator on other submissions.
4. Previous CLIME grant awardees must wait one grant cycle (i.e., one year) before applying as the primary author.

Project Categories and Review Criteria

Two categories of projects will be accepted. When submitting your application, please check the box that corresponds to your project's category.

1. Research Projects and Systematic Reviews:

These proposals should be designed to encourage the scholarship of discovery or integration. Projects should address novel research questions and describe methods that support the rigorous evaluation of these questions.

Review Criteria:

1. Clear statement of the problem and rationale for the study
2. Review of pertinent literature
3. Meaningful reference to a conceptual framework that informs the research.
4. Quality of research question and logical relation to the problem statement
5. Overall study design explained and appropriate to the research question.
6. Adequate, well described data collection method or instrumentation
7. Appropriate sampling strategy (both for qualitative and quantitative studies)
8. Appropriate, realistic budget
9. Qualifications of PI and research team to carry out the research.

2. Curriculum Projects and Teaching Innovations:

These proposals should be designed with scholarly rigor to facilitate dissemination through peer-reviewed publications such as [MedEdPORTAL](#) or a peer-reviewed journal.

Review Criteria:

1. Statement of clear, relevant educational objectives
2. Project references and/or builds upon related work in this area.
3. Educational approach or method appropriate for the stated objectives
4. Content of the submission sufficiently accurate, clear, and usable
5. Inclusion of plan to collect evidence that will demonstrate the relative value or impact of the project/innovation for the intended audience.
6. Realistic, appropriate budget
7. Clarity of writing
8. Qualifications of PI and curricular team to carry out the project.

Examples of previously funded projects can be found here:

<https://clime.washington.edu/research-scholarship/clime-scholarship-grant/>

Award Details

A total of \$20,000 will be awarded to four or more proposals for an 18-month period. Project budgets cannot exceed \$5,000. Budget proposals should include itemized costs and a budget justification. These monies are intended to fund resources necessary to conduct the proposed project, such as technical support, supplies, communication, transcription, and reasonable incentives for subjects and are **NOT** intended for facility costs, travel or conference fees or faculty salary support. Funds will be directly expensed through CLIME and the UWSOM finance team. If you plan on hiring a student assistant for your project, please look over UW HR policies about [student employment](#). We also suggest you look at the benefit rates for the individual you are wanting to hire as that should be calculated into the overall cost. Funds will be available July 1, 2021 AND must be spent by May 31st, 2022. **Please make note of these spending dates.**

For research projects involving human subjects, evidence of IRB submission is required to be included along with the application. For research funds to be awarded, a copy of the IRB letter stating that the project is approved or that approval was not necessary must be submitted to the CLIME grant review committee. Matching funds are not required.

Application Process

1. Proposals due **March 26th, 2021 no later than 17:00** by email to clime@uw.edu.
2. Proposal decision anticipated **May 14, 2021**.
3. Funded projects must present the project progress and/or results at a CLIME Work-in-Progress Meeting, <https://clime.washington.edu/work-in-progress-sessions/> during the 18-month period of their award.
4. The results of the scholarly project must be made available for dissemination in peer-reviewed resources so that others can build upon them.
5. Awarded funds must be spent between July 1, 2021 and May 31, 2022.

Submission Process

Applicants will be asked to submit proposals using the application template. **Please follow the directions; applications that do not follow the format will be automatically scored down.**

1. Cover page: must include the name of applicants (for multi-institutional applications a representative from each institution must be included), project title, abstract and contact information for the project leader (mailing address, telephone, e-mail)
2. Rationale: review of the pertinent literature, statement of the problem or identified gap, and significance of the need
3. Research question and/or project objectives
4. Research methods and/or curricular intervention and evaluation
5. Project timeline (not to exceed 18 months)
6. Anticipated outcomes
7. Plan for dissemination of project outcomes regionally and nationally
8. Budget including itemized costs and justification (limit 1 page)
9. Signed funding agreement.
10. References (limit 2 pages)
11. Biographical Sketches of PI and Co-PIs (no more than 2 pages/individual)

Important note regarding the IRB

If this is a research project involving human subjects, a copy of the application to the IRB must be included. Before payment for the grant can be made, however, a copy of the IRB letter stating that the project is approved or that approval was not necessary must be submitted to the CLIME grant review committee.

Funded Projects

Abstracts of funded projects will be uploaded to the CLIME website. Awardees must present their ongoing work at a CLIME Work-In-Progress session during the 12-month period of their award. An **interim report** must be filed by **April 29, 2022** and the **final progress report** must be submitted within one month of project completion to clime@uw.edu. A one-page progress report form will be provided to the authors. Reports should describe your accomplishments, challenges, and how the funded activity will support future work. Awardees must get pre-approval before making any changes to the funded scope of work.

Contact

For more information about the grant program, please contact Joshua Jauregui, MD (joshjaur@uw.edu).

For application questions, please contact clime@uw.edu.