FACULTY RESEARCH GRANTS
2005 COMPETITION
(second notice)

The Faculty Grants Committee announces that support will once again be available in fiscal year 2005-06 for Arts and Sciences faculty research projects in the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences, including proposals of an inter-disciplinary nature.

The application deadline is Monday, January 31, 2005, though the Committee would appreciate having applications as soon as possible.

Individual grants will be made in two categories:

TYPE I. THIRD TERM RESEARCH STIPENDS of $4,000 for research activities in lieu of teaching. The purpose of this type of grant is to enable faculty members to be free from teaching duties during the Third Term in order to work full time on research projects.

TYPE II. RESEARCH EXPENSE GRANTS in support of specific project expenses such as microfilming, research materials, travel to libraries and other sources of information and clerical assistance. Actual expenses from $100 to $3,500 will be considered. Full funding, even for successful proposals, cannot be guaranteed.

Eligibility is limited to tenure-stream or tenured Arts and Sciences faculty on the Oakland campus. Restrictions regarding eligibility for Type I and Type II funding are specified later in this announcement. Please read these carefully.

Applications for both types of grants must be received by either of the Committee Co-Chairs by Monday, January 31, 2005. No late proposals will be accepted. All applicants will receive confirmation that their application has been received. For Type II grants, no funds can be disbursed until July 1, 2005; however, the research projects of grant recipients may begin before that date. For Type I grants, stipends will be included with July 31, 2005 paychecks unless funds become available which may allow the stipends to be included in May and/or June salaries. Awards will be announced in the beginning of April. Unfortunately, this Committee cannot provide applicants with individual evaluations of proposals.

Application Format and Restrictions are explained in the following paragraphs of this announcement. Further information can be obtained from the Committee Co-Chairs, Kay Brummond (412-624-1955/e-mail kbrummon@pitt.edu) and Renate Blumenfeld-Kosinski (412-624-6224/e-mail renate@pitt.edu).

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TYPE I.
THIRD TERM RESEARCH STIPENDS OF $4,000

To be eligible for a Type I stipend the applicant must not be employed during the Third Term in any way which makes it impossible to devote maximum time to research. Priority is given to faculty in the lower ranks and to those who have not previously received such a grant. Research projects for which funds are generally available from other sources will receive low priority.

Application Format: The application consists of four parts: (1) A cover sheet and current CV, including mention of all previous grants with amount and year; (2) an abstract summarizing the proposal in simple terms; (3) the proposal itself; and (4) a title sheet and self-addressed (campus) envelope. No application will be accepted unless it contains a current CV.

1. The cover sheet should be appended to a current CV and include the following information in the order listed here: (A) name of applicant, (B) faculty rank, (C) department, (D) university mailing address and extension, (E) applications pending or funding expected for the same period or the same research, (F) type of grant (I or II), and (G) title of research project. Please indicate previous funding, both internal and external. Faculty members who have received an A&S grant within the last 5 years should also submit a brief (1 to 2 paragraph) statement describing the results of the project(s) funded.

2. The abstract (100-200 words) should summarize the proposal in simple terms.

3. The proposal should be written in such a manner that members of the Committee who are not experts in your field can understand your proposal. Technical jargon should be avoided. Applicants are encouraged to bear in mind that the evaluators represent a wide range of disciplines in the Humanities, Natural Sci-
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