

## **Friends of the Baron-Forness Library Student Research Grant Program Academic Year 2017-2018**

The Friends of the Baron-Forness Library Student Research Grant Program has been established to support both undergraduate and graduate student scholarship throughout the University. In so doing, this grants program seeks to highlight the critical role of library holdings in the undertaking of scholarly activity.

The Board of the Friends of the Baron-Forness Library recognizes that the approach and design to scholarly activity varies by discipline. It will therefore be incumbent upon the student applicant and the support statement by the supervising faculty member to clearly describe the relevance and significance of the project relative to the student's discipline and focus area.

This grants program will be open to any current degree-seeking student at the University with the following stipulations:

1. Undergraduate students must have completed a minimum of **75** credit hours and have a minimum of a **3.25** grade point average. Graduate Students must have completed a minimum of **15** credit hours and have a minimum of a **3.5** grade point average.
2. The research project must be completed under the supervision of a faculty member who must attest to its value and the ability of the student to complete the project.
3. The research project must be related to the completion of the degree.
4. The project is completed within one academic year and funds are expended within twelve months of the award notification.

The grant funding must be used to support the completion or presentation of a scholarly project related to the student's program of study. The funds can be used to purchase materials or defray travel expenses related to the undertaking of the project or the presentation of the completed work. The maximum award per student/per degree will be \$500. (Please note that if it is a group scholarly project, the limit of \$500 will be applied to the group.) It is expected that all student awardees will present their scholarship at an annual University event highlighting the activity of the Friends of the Library during Spring Semester 2018. If the project is not complete by the Spring Event, recipients are expected to present a complete description, similar to a research prospectus, of their work including the purpose and rationale, methodology, how results will be analyzed or what the form of the final product will be, and expected outcomes in addition to progress thus far and why the project is not complete.

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**Grant Application Cover/Signature Page**

Project Title \_\_\_\_\_

Student Investigator's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Department and Degree Program \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Advisor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Department \_\_\_\_\_

Campus Address \_\_\_\_\_

Campus Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

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Student's Signature\* Date

\*By signing I agree to present my work at the Spring 2018 Friends of the Library Recognition Event.

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Faculty Advisor's Signature Date

Each grant application must include the following content. Total application must not exceed five typed pages, double-spaced, using 12 font and one inch margins.

1. Objective or Purpose of the Project. What do you intend to accomplish by undertaking this project? Not only should any research questions or hypotheses be included, but also personal expectations regarding your growth as a scholar. You also must include how library holdings will play a part in your scholarship.
2. Methods, Procedures, and Final Outcome. What is it you intend to do and how will you do it? Please be as clear and specific as possible.
3. Significance of This Project. Why is this project significant both in terms of the discipline but also to yourself as a student-scholar?
4. Timeline for Completion. When and how will your project be completed?
5. Budget. The budget must specify the amount requested for either supplies or travel. If supplies, please describe. If travel, the following areas will be considered: transportation, lodging, registration fees, food.
6. Faculty Advisor Letter of Support.
7. Cover/Signature page including agreement to present one's scholarship at an annual University event highlighting the activity of the Friends of the Library.

**Proposals are to be submitted to: Dr. Donald Dilmore, Friends of the Baron-Forness Library  
Student Research Grant Program**

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**The deadline for all grant proposals is 4 p.m. Monday, October 2, 2017.**

**Questions may be sent to Dr. Donald Dilmore at [ddilmore@edinboro.edu](mailto:ddilmore@edinboro.edu)**