The College of Arts and Humanities announces the 2023-2024 Faculty Funds Competition Call for Proposals for ARHU Advancement Grants, Subvention Funds, Conference Support, and Journal Editing Support. All ARHU PTK and TTK faculty are eligible for these awards. ARHU is only calling for proposals once this year, and the deadline for applications is **5 p.m. Friday, December 15, 2023.** Examples of past funded proposals can be found in the [ARHU Proposal Library](#).

**ARHU Advancement Grants:** $5,000 will be awarded to TTK and PTK faculty for projects that lead to a faculty member’s professional advancement in their field and at UMD. Work proposed can be ongoing research project efforts or a new research project. Successful applications must demonstrate 1) how the project meets the faculty member’s professional advancement at UMD, and 2) how the work contributes to the faculty member’s discipline. Funds are intended to support research expenses such as hiring assistants (note: you will be responsible for covering associated fringe with your award should you choose to use it to hire assistants), studio or rehearsal costs, participant incentives, archival research, and research travel. Funds awarded will not support course releases or classroom-only projects; pedagogical projects must show a link to the faculty member’s scholarly advancement to be considered. Priority will be given to projects that advance promotion goals and/or tenure goals and to applicants who have not previously received an ARHU Advancement Grant. Recipients of an ARHU Advancement Grant may elect to 1) receive the grant as summer salary support (note: fringe benefits will count toward the total awarded and taxes will be assessed on the $5,000 amount), or 2) receive the grant as a contribution to their individual departmental research account. Please consult with your unit’s business manager with any questions about grant disbursement.

**Subvention Funds:** Funds can cover costs required by a publisher that are assigned to faculty authors, such as reproduction of images and permissions. Up to $2,000 may be requested. TTK and PTK are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to faculty preparing a product for
academic promotion or tenure review. Applications must include: 1) a one-page statement of need for the subvention funding and the benefits to come as a result of the subvention funds; 2) a letter from the unit head confirming a match of the amount requested, and 3) a copy of the publisher contract. Subvention will not cover marketing and promotion related costs.

**Conference Support:** ARHU will award up to $5,000 in support of faculty members seeking to host an academic conference/symposium on the UMD campus. Proposals for conference support must articulate the scope and reach of the conference and its potential to draw participants from across ARHU. Proposals must also specify the sources of support for the conference from non-ARHU parties—please provide letters or other proof of support. Applications must include: 1) a one-page statement justifying the conference and specifying the need for ARHU support and the appeal of the conference to the ARHU community; 2) a one-page budget, specifying likely and/or projected conference expenditures and other sources of funding for the conference. Please work with your business manager to ensure your budget is compliant with UMD policies.

**Journal Editing Support:** ARHU will award up to $5,000 in one-time support for a faculty member who is editing an academic/scholarly journal. The award is only for service as the editor/editor-in-chief of an academic journal. Service in other editorial capacities (e.g., associate editor, managing editor, special issue editor) is not eligible. Service as the editor of a book series is also not eligible. Proposals must include evidence of the applicant’s appointment as editor/editor-in-chief. Applications must include: 1) a two-page statement explaining the journal and its place/status within the discipline and explaining how editing the journal advances the applicant’s professional and academic goals; the statement should also indicate other sources of funding in support of the editorship.

**Submission Process:** All application materials should be single-spaced with one-inch margins and use a 12-point font. Applicants should combine all application documents into a single PDF file and submit electronically to the ARHU Application Portal (http://apply.arhu.umd.edu) by 5 p.m. on December 15, 2023.

**Post Award Expectations:** Recipients of ARHU Faculty Funds awards are expected to spend the awarded funds in the one full year following the award. A final report will be required one year after the award date, summarizing use of funds and achievements. Successful applicants will receive specific guidance on reporting requirements in their award letter. Awardees must acknowledge ARHU in any reports, presentations, publications, and/or other materials produced by the funding. Funded projects will be featured on the College of Arts and Humanities website, arhu.umd.edu.

**Questions:** For questions about these opportunities, please contact Trevor Parry-Giles at tpg@umd.edu.