Applications are invited for the Danley Professorship Award program in the College of Education and Human Development. **The deadline for submission is 4:30 pm, Tuesday, January 21, 2014.**

**Description**

The Danley Professorship Award provides supplemental funding for a faculty position identified within the College of Education and Human Development (EHD) at the University of North Dakota. The Dean of EHD has identified that the primary purpose of the Danley Professorship shall be to support research and scholarly activity that will promote the college mission and holds promise for external funding support.

The Danley Professorship includes an award of up to $20,000 to support an individual faculty member for up to two years. The plan of the College Research Council (CRC) is to support a new Danley Professor each year, such that the funds are expended at the rate of approximately $20,000 per year. This means that there may be two Danley Professors in any given year who are each using part of their total award, although only one award will be made each calendar year.

**Eligibility**

Applicants must have a full-time faculty appointment in EHD at UND. They must be tenured or tenure-seeking.

Faculty members who have previously received the Danley Professorship must have a period of at least five years between the date of submission of the most recent successful application and the date of submission of a subsequent application for a new award. For example, a successful applicant in December 2012, whose award was disbursed in Spring 2013, is eligible to apply again in December 2017. Previous awardees must also have submitted a related external research proposal since receiving the past Professorship. Please note: An external application is one submitted to an agency or foundation “outside UND.” For example, proposals sent to the following are not considered external:

- UND Instructional Development,
- NRI
- RD&C
- SSAC
- North Dakota EPSCoR.

The new application must describe how the previous Award was used and what applications or related publications resulted.

**Review Criteria**

Proposals will be subject to competitive review and ranking by the CRC, whose members are appointed by the chairs of individual departments in EHD. If a member of the CRC submits a proposal for the Danley, that member will be replaced by a non-competing representative from his or her department for the purpose of evaluating the proposal.

Proposals shall include a short paragraph describing how the project is consistent with the EHD mission statement.

Proposals must be clear, of high quality, and be designed to develop a project that supports a significant research agenda or provide preliminary data for one or more external grant proposals. The proposal must specify the plan to ensure that the project is completed in 12 to 24 months.
Higher priority will be given to:

- Proposals that support educational achievement in any setting and/or well-being of children, adolescents, or families
- Proposals with high potential for producing successful external applications
- Proposals that are related to rural schools and communities
- Applicants with a demonstrated record of research or academic accomplishment.

Application Format:
The application should be prepared to convince and be understood by a general audience, only some of whom may be proficient in the applicant's area. The following headings and page limitations shall apply:

- Cover Page (Attached to this call for proposals)

- Research or Project Plan: Three pages maximum and shall include aims, background, significance, approach, methods.

  Format: One-inch margins, single-spaced, minimum of 12-pt Times New Roman font. The three-page limit for the project plan will be strictly enforced. Proposals exceeding the limit will be returned without review. Appendices circumventing this limit will be discarded. Limited tables and figures may exceed the three-page limit but should only be used to enhance written material rather than provide additional new information.

- Detailed Budget (including justification; indirect costs are not included)

  The budget must be for a maximum of 24 months and a total of $20,000. The CRC may consider applications that are budgeted at less than $20,000 for projects that are particularly meritorious and require limited funding.

  Projected expenditures must be reasonable, justified and directly related to the project. The funds can be distributed as salary (including summer salary and course buy-outs) and can be used to support specific activities and supports necessary for the completion of the project. Equipment and non-consumable materials that require maintenance must be directly related to the success of the project and the proposal must include a maintenance plan. Please note: Danley funds can NOT be used to provide ongoing maintenance of existing equipment.

  Your proposed budget may include travel and expenses in conjunction with attendance or presentation at a conference relevant to the project. However, these funds cannot exceed $3,000 or 25 percent of your total budget request. If you choose to request travel funds that are later disallowed, please be assured this decision will have no impact upon the selection of the remainder of your proposal for an award.

- Biographical Sketch (attached to this call for proposals)

- Statement of Intent to Submit External Application (on cover page)

  Title, agency, time period, funds to be requested must be included. Where support is requested for a project that will not serve as the basis for an external application, then potential future sources of external funding should be listed.
Submission
Submit the following:
1) An electronic copy of the proposal to Cynthia Shereck at cynthia.shereck@email.und.edu by 4:30 pm on Tuesday, January 21, 2014 and
2) Submit either a hard copy or scanned copy of the cover page with signatures by the same deadline.

Review
All proposals will be reviewed by the CRC using a standardized rubric. Each proposal will be evaluated on the following criteria sets:

Primary criteria:
• Support of educational achievement in any setting and/or the well-being of children, adolescents or families
• Potential for producing successful external grant applications
• Originality/innovation of project
• Feasibility of completion plan and dissemination plan.

Secondary criteria:
• Significance of project to discipline
• Project’s support or extension of previous work or research agenda
• Research and academic accomplishments of applicant.

The CRC will identify up to three (3) finalists for a brief interview prior to making their final selection. The purpose of this interview is to learn more about the proposal and answer any remaining questions.

The award will be announced by the end of February 2014.

Award Requirements:

1. All recipients of the Danley Professorship are required to submit a mid-point and final report to the CRC. The mid-point report should summarize the activities completed and activities planned, as well as the expenditures made and expenditures planned within the remaining project period. The final report must be filed within one month of the project’s end date or depletion of awarded funds, if that occurs before the project ends. The report should include a brief summary of results of the study, how funds were expended and whether or not the project resulted in external grant proposals/awards, publications, presentations, etc.

2. All funds should be spent by the ending date of the award. In exceptional circumstances, recipients may request an extension for up to six months to complete a project. No further extensions will be granted.

3. Danley Professors are required to submit a proposal to an external funding agency within one year of the award’s end date.

4. Recipient must present evidence that all work associated with the proposal has been approved by the appropriate compliance committee (IRB, IACUC, IBC, etc.) before the award will be set up.