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MEMORANDUM

To: Colleagues on the FSU Faculty

From: Jimmy Yu, Chair
Faculty Research Grants Subcommittee, Faculty Senate Library Committee

Date: April 4, 2019

Re: Applications, 2019-2020 Robert B. Bradley Library Research Grants

On behalf of the Faculty Senate Library Committee, we are pleased to invite proposals for the Robert B. Bradley Library Research Grants. Bob Bradley (retired VP for Planning and Programs at FSU) has been a longtime supporter of the University Libraries, who advocated for resources to support the centrality of the libraries that play such an important role in the scholarly work of our faculty. Our intent continues to be to fund a breadth of applications from across campus with this mini-grant program. We will have \$100,000 available to fund mini-grants for the 2019-2020 academic year, thanks to FSU's Office of Research, which is contributing \$50,000 to this competition.

The Bradley Grant is not meant to fund salary, equipment purchase, or travel expenses. Its primary purpose is to support the research and creative work of faculty with new library acquisitions accessible for the whole FSU community. The committee will prioritize the funding of applicants who are tenure-earning and applications that focus on how the materials will enhance specific research programs and creative activities of faculty members, as well as for instruction and/or general collection development. Applications focused primarily on the use of materials for instructional purposes or general collection development are welcomed; however, funding of non-research/creative applications will be of secondary priority.

The range of eligible materials includes books, microfilm, DVDs, etc. as well as databases and similar electronic resources, provided the library can obtain them on a short-term basis or without recurring expenses. Keep in mind that the cost for permanent acquisition of many databases exceeds the entire yearly budget of the grant program. For this reason, it is essential that applicants confirm the possibility of short-term access and applicants must provide (in relevant cases) user-agreement licensing for the whole FSU community. Electronic Resources Integration Management Librarian Mason Hall (645-7879 or mrhall@fsu.edu) can assist with this matter. Be aware that the Faculty Senate Library Committee simply cannot guarantee a commitment to successive years of funding for such databases.

For further details about eligible items and application instructions please see application guidelines and instructions, which are available on the Faculty Senate Library Committee [webpage](#). For your convenience we have posted lists of awards from 2009-2018 and other application documents there.

The fall application deadline below has been set to give the library staff plenty of time to acquire materials before the end of the fiscal year.

Application Deadline: Friday, October 11, 2019
Awards will be announced the week of November 4, 2019

If you have any questions, please contact Librarian Roy Ziegler (644-3022, rzeigler@fsu.edu) or the chair at ju2@fsu.edu.