

# Dr. Philip M. Kayal Fund for Arab American Research 2015 Research Grant

Deadline: Tuesday, June 30, 2015 at 5:00pm EST

The Dr. Philip M. Kayal Fund for Arab American Research housed at the Center for Arab American Philanthropy announces the availability of funds supporting scholarly research on Arab American communities.

### **Selection Criteria**

Preference will be given to research on Arab American communities within the social sciences, particularly sociology, anthropology, psychology, political science, social work, economics, and history. However, biological research, and research on health/illnesses, genetics, and mental health may also be considered. In particular, findings of the research should lend themselves to the construction of theories and information useful in social application.

Qualified candidates include graduate students or non-tenured faculty members at accredited institutions. Priority will be given to graduate level and post-graduate students conducting research for publication. Research applications will be ranked according to the following priorities:

- 1) Arab Americans conducting research on the Arab American community;
- 2) Non-Arab Americans conducting research on the Arab American community; and
- 3) Arab Americans conducting research in any related field.

Funding will be directed to the academic institution associated with the researcher. Researchers working on behalf of a non-academic organization will not be considered. Funding for Ph.D. students for research on their dissertation will be considered on an individual basis.

Examples of studies that would be considered for funding

- Studies of institutional development and/or interpretations of institutional effects on communities. Eg., churches, mosques, niche businesses
- Studies of institutional discrimination and integration regarding Arab Americans.
- Arab American entrepreneurship, past and present
- Comparative studies between Arab American groups
- Identity and changes in identity over time; relationship to political activity
- Arab American philanthropy (focus, purpose, etc.)

- Assimilation studies, especially comparing different waves of migration, levels of assimilation, etc.
- Marriage and intermarriage patterns
- Stereotyping and self esteem/acceptance
- Voting patterns and political loyalties
- Intergenerational relations
- Suburbanization, assimilation and group identity
- Socializing patterns of families at various stages of assimilation
- Institutional involvement and support (political, religious, educational, legal, etc.)
- Social, health, family, etc. issues facing Arab Americans

## **Amount of Funding**

The Dr. Philip M. Kayal Arab American Research Fund will consider grants not exceeding \$2,500 each.

## **Limitations on Funding**

Grants will not be made to the individual researcher, but to the academic institution and designated for use by the researcher. The Fund will not support the following activities:

- Projects that include religious instruction
- Political parties or political action committees
- Non U.S.-based organizations
- Projects that directly benefit an individual
- Loans
- Equipment and technology purchase (i.e. computers)

### **Grant Review and Recommendation**

Grantmaking from the Arab American Research Fund will be conducted by a committee of academics, with experience in research, and chaired by Dr. Philip M. Kayal. The committee will review the requests for funding, taking into consideration the topic of research, the quality of the methodology, publishing potential, and whether or not the findings have implications that extend beyond the direct research.

## **How to Apply**

All applications must include:

- A completed cover sheet, which can be filled out at this link: http://goo.gl/forms/T8U1qlMQ81
- 2. Narrative of no more than 2 pages by email (Narrative instructions are on page 4)
- 3. Project budget (page 5) by email
- 4. Attachments (as listed on page 4) by email

Applications will NOT be considered if these requirements are not met.

Documents sent by <a href="mailto:emailto:ma

## **Funding Decisions**

Applicants will be notified of the funding decisions September 1, 2015. Grants will be distributed immediately after for a project start date of September 1, 2015. The grant period is one year, ending August 31, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact Katherine Hanway at <a href="mailto:khanway@accesscommunity.org">khanway@accesscommunity.org</a>. You can also find additional information about the Dr. Philip M. Kayal Fund for Arab American Research and the Center for Arab American Philanthropy on our website at <a href="http://www.centeraap.org">http://www.centeraap.org</a>.

#### Narrative

Please provide the following information in this order. Use these headings, subheadings, and number provided in your own word processing format, thus leaving flexibility for length of response. The narrative should be a maximum of 2 typed pages.

- **A. Narrative:** Please include the following information
  - 1. Topic of research, including a statement on the importance of this topic
  - 2. Research methodology
  - 3. Tentative research schedule
  - 4. Details of publications you expect to produce from the research. If possible, specify potential journals/publications that might publish your research and a timeline for publication

## **B.** Project Budget

- 1. If the total project budget is greater than the amount requested, from what sources will the other necessary funds be obtained, and what funds, if any, have been raised to date?
- 2. If relevant, what financial resources will be available for the continuation of this project after the grant from the Philip Kayal Arab American Research Fund has ended?

## C. Attachments

- 1. Brief C.V., including other grants received and publications
- 2. 1 letter of support from current academic institution

# **Project Budget**

- A. Time period this budget covers:
- B. Expenses: Fill in only those line items that are relevant to the project

	Amount requested from this	Total research
	grant	expenses
Research participant		
incentives		
Conferences & professional		
fees		
Supplies		
Travel		
Printing and copying		
Mailings		
Other (please specify)		
Total		

C. Revenue: Please list all other sources of revenue/income for this project and whether the funds are already committed or pending.