

Brown Senior Fellows Program for 2008-2009 Call for Proposals

The Brown Senior Fellows Program is designed to give senior faculty with substantial research and/or creative projects additional time to conduct their scholarly work. Faculty may apply to have release from one semester of teaching responsibility or a release of three courses for the academic year (a 2-1 or 1-2 teaching load for one academic year). Each proposal must provide a justification for the type of course release requested. Each proposal may include a budget of up to \$2000 for expenses related to the project. The faculty member may request a stipend of \$3,000 for work conducted in the summer following the fellowship period. Additional funds to support the project must be requested from the Cullen Faculty Development Fund or from sources outside the University. While the majority of awards will be for a one-year period, it will be possible for a faculty member to submit a proposal requesting consideration of a two-year project not to exceed 3 courses per year over the two-year period (with corresponding increases in the budget and stipend). **It is anticipated that two fellowships will be awarded for the 2008-2009 academic year.**

Applications with the projected budget and the departmental impact statement should be delivered to Christine Vasquez (MBH 110) no later than **5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 22, 2007.**

Conditions of the Brown Senior Fellows Program are as follows:

1. Eligible faculty members must have tenure and possess the rank of Associate or Full Professor.
2. Applications should carefully describe the proposed plan of scholarship and/or creative activity, including expected outcomes. A departmental impact statement, prepared by the prospective Fellow's Department Chair, should be included. This statement should evaluate the quality of the project and propose the manner in which the prospective Fellow's courses will be replaced.
3. Endowed chairs (including Brown Chair holders) are eligible for the course release element of this program. Endowed chairs may not, however, request funds to support expenses related to the project or a summer stipend. Holders of University Scholar positions are not eligible.
4. Faculty who receive a Brown Senior Fellowship may not apply again until at least three academic years beyond the last academic year in which they receive a course release related to the fellowship.
5. Fellows qualify for a \$3,000 summer stipend for the summer concluding the fellowship period and up to \$2,000 in expense support for the fellowship period. A budget outlining the projected use of the expense support should be submitted with the proposal. **Faculty receiving a summer stipend may not receive a stipend from the Cullen Faculty Development Fund during the same time period.**
6. If the proposal is accepted a final report on the use of your grant is DUE to Christine Vasquez by Monday, October 6, 2009.

The selection committee will be comprised of the division/school chairs, the Dean of the Sarofim School of Fine Arts, the Senior Faculty Representative of the Brown College of Arts and Sciences, and the Provost. Their recommendation will be forwarded to the President for final approval.

Notification of awards will be made by the week of November 12. Questions may be directed to John McCann, Assistant Dean for Faculty Development and Sponsored Programs.