Announcing:

Israel Studies Mini Grants for Academic Year 2018/2019

Call for Proposals for Co-Curricular Development, Activities and Library Resources to Help Enhance the Understanding of Israeli Culture, Economy, Society, History, and Politics

This call is open to all faculty members interested in developing new courses or components of existing courses through co-curricular activities and enhancing their University library’s collection of materials with a connection to Israel for their classes. The co-curricular activities may include, but are not limited to, guest speakers, film showings, special readings and discussions, practicums, etc. Proposed activities need to take place before June 30, 2019 (Spring Quarter or Spring Semester 2019). The library resources can be books, DVDs, or other types of media found in the library.

Eligibility: This call is open to all current tenured, tenure-track and lecturer faculty. We encourage proposals from all disciplines.

Guidelines:

Proposals should be single-spaced and no more than two pages long. Proposals should include:

- A detailed description of the activity or library resource (for library resources, please provide a location for purchasing the material)
- Specific explanation as to how the activity or library resource enhances knowledge/understanding of Israel
- Discussion of the ways students will benefit from this activity or resource
- A detailed budget; all amounts up to $5,000 will be considered, but it is unlikely funds over $3,000 will be awarded
- A planning timeline for the co-curricular activity, with dates and action steps
- The name of the person responsible for submitting a final summary report (no more than one page), no later than three weeks after the completion of the co-curricular activity

Funding Criteria

The principal criteria used to evaluate proposals will be: 1) scope of the project; 2) benefits to students; 3) connection to Israel/Middle East; and 4) thoroughness of timeline and budget.

Priority will be given to the creation of new and innovative courses with a component on Israel. These courses can come from any discipline.

We also hope to foster an increased connection on campus between faculty who have some aspect of Israel in their academic focus- interests that may not have previously been widely known and hope for future activities and collaborations from the connections made through this process.

Application Deadline

The proposal must be submitted via e-mail to Mitchell Price at mitchell@leichtag.org no later than July 15, 2018 (Fall 2018 Semester) or October 1, 2018 (Spring 2019 Semester)