The Charles R. Bantz Chancellor’s Community Fellowship

2016 Call for Proposals

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OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
**Background and Goals:**
In recognition of the leadership and contributions of Charles R. Bantz to the campus and the community, in 2015 IUPUI established the **Charles R. Bantz Chancellor’s Community Fellowship**. This fellowship reflects Charles Bantz’s dedication to research that creates university-community partnerships and results in community impact. The Charles R. Bantz Chancellor’s Community Fellowship aligns with IUPUI’s strategic goals to deepen IUPUI’s commitment to community engagement (see [http://strategicplan.iupui.edu/](http://strategicplan.iupui.edu/)). The **Bantz Community Fellowship** is jointly supported by the Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and the Office of Community Engagement, and is funded through charitable gifts and campus support.

The goal of the **Bantz Community Fellowship** is to support community-engaged research and scholarly activities that:

1. reinforce and deepen campus-community engagement and research partnerships;
2. leverage the knowledge, skills, and innovative talents of IUPUI faculty, students, and community partner(s) in a year-long scope of work that is of mutual value and interest;
3. result in meaningful community impact.

Proposals must include a scope of work that is co-designed by the faculty member and community partner(s) to address an issue confronting Central Indiana. Priority will be given to proposals that also demonstrate an infrastructure to sustain and deepen the partnership in subsequent years.

**Criteria for Selection:**
Successful proposals for the **Bantz Community Fellowship** will have many of the following characteristics:

- Identification of key partner organization(s), external partner(s), and relevant community stakeholder(s);
- Solid plan for research and implementation that clearly identifies short-term and long-term impacts on the community or community partner organization;
- Collaborative research team with a solid track record of establishing successful campus-community partnerships;
- Understanding of good practice in community engagement and partnerships;
- Goals that are feasible, doable, and actionable within the intended one-year award period;
- Plans for sustainability of the partnership by identifying and/or seeking additional external funds.

The Primary Investigator and research team should demonstrate the intent, ability, and knowledge to:

- Manage the project team to ensure effective communication of roles and responsibilities and successful implementation of shared goals and activities using principles of good practice;
- Identify and mentor talented students, including graduate and undergraduate student(s), who will be active leaders and contributors to the collaborative research team;
- Identify as a Translating Research Into Practice (TRIP) Scholar and participate in relevant TRIP Scholar activities (e.g., TRIP Showcase in fall);
- Build awareness of the community-engaged research and impact at appropriate conferences, community events, and in publications;
- Submit two short reports that provide an update on the partnership, deliverables, and community impact of the research (due December 30th and May 30th);
- Other responsibilities that align with your professional goals for community engagement.
The Bantz Community Fellowship provides year-long funding to support a collaborative research team (i.e., faculty, student(s), community partner/members) to address a community issue in Central Indiana. Research teams must be led by a full-time faculty member (tenured, tenure-track, clinical, and lecturer appointments) who will serve as the Primary Investigator on the project. Collaborative teams will include graduate and/or undergraduate students (full-time enrollment in an IUPUI program, in good academic standing), and a designated community partner/organization. The community partner must work closely with the research team to collaborate in identifying a scope of work that will address a community or systemic challenge, opportunity, or issue confronting Central Indiana. In addition, this research team should identify how they will implement strategies that support the ongoing work of the partnership.

Application Process:
The Bantz Community Fellowship will be awarded through a competitive application process on an annual basis. The Bantz Community Fellowship Awards Committee will review proposals in the spring of each year. The award will be made at the Robert G. Bringle Civic Engagement Showcase. Applicants must complete a narrative statement of their experiences as a community-engaged scholar and the proposed scope of work, inclusive of goals/deliverables, timeline, a budget/budget narrative, CV, and two letters of support (one letter from the faculty member’s Dean and one letter from the community partner).

Proposals may request up to $50,000, with a required additional cash or in-kind match (minimum 20%) from the school and/or community partner. Allowable costs for faculty may include release time (if approved as indicated by Dean’s letter of support), summer stipend, conference fees and/or travel, and project related costs (e.g., supplies, technology, printing). Allowable costs for students may include stipends, hourly pay, in-state tuition, fee remission, and conference fees and/or travel. Allowable costs for the community partner may include professional development fees, project supplies, travel to conferences, and deliverables such as printing costs for materials to be used by community members.

Applications are due by 3:00 pm, Friday April 1, 2016. Please submit a PDF of all materials to Teresa A. Bennett, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Community Engagement, tkbennet@iupui.edu.

- Cover page
- Narrative statement (5-pages max; double spaced) should include the following:
  - Briefly describe how community engagement has helped to shape your identity as an educator, scholar and researcher at IUPUI.
  - Describe the community issue and its importance at this point in time to your scholarly goals, the campus, the community organization, and community stakeholders.
  - Good practice in community engagement includes working “in partnership with” communities to build strong partnerships to reach mutually-beneficial goals. Describe two strategies that you will use to advance the work of this partnership and collaborative research team.
  - Provide an overview of the intended scope of work, project goals, deliverables, and anticipated community outcomes, recognizing that some of these goals will naturally change over time.
  - Identify two potential external funding sources that may be able to continue support for the work of this partnership (e.g., grants, philanthropic support) once the Bantz Community Fellow award has expired.
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- Describe how you plan to dissemination findings on campus, in community, and through scholarly outlets.
- Timeline of scope of work and proposed activities to complete June 2016 – May 2017.
- Budget (allowable award not to exceed $50,000) and short budget narrative. Identify match support and funding (20% of total funds requested).
- CV
- Letter of support from your Dean articulating how this proposed scope of work as a Bantz Community Fellow
  - Advances your scholarly goals at this point in time;
  - Aligns with department/school goals for community engagement; and
  - Endorses budget narrative, including cash or in-kind match support if any.
- Letter of support from the community partner articulating how this proposed scope of work
  - Aligns with their organizational goals and priorities;
  - Addresses community need; and
  - Endorses budget narrative, including cash or in-kind match support if any.

For further information about the Charles R. Bantz Chancellor’s Community Fellowship please contact Dr. Julie Hatcher, Executive Director, Center for Service and Learning; jhatcher@iupui.edu, or Teresa A. Bennett, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Community Engagement, tkbennet@iupui.edu, 317 278-9173.