



## **Interdisciplinary Humanities Groups**

### Call for Proposals

As a gathering place for intellectual dialogue and exchange and with the goal of bringing together graduate students and faculty from across programs and disciplines, the Western Michigan University Center for the Humanities invites proposals for Interdisciplinary Humanities Groups.

A research group is a way to approach challenging and important topics in the humanities and develop theoretical interest and research in new areas with the support of a knowledgeable, diverse group of colleagues. It also provides an opportunity to move across disciplinary boundaries in academic life and to meet scholars with similar interests around campus.

The University Center for the Humanities will support a semester of work by interdisciplinary groups, providing space for meetings, help with organization and advertising, and a small hosting fund (e.g., for refreshments).

Groups will:

1. Be led by two WMU faculty members and/or graduate students from different fields, who will be responsible for organizing and chairing the meetings, discussing texts, and leading discussions during the academic year of the award.
2. Meet at the University Center for the Humanities at least four times during the academic year.
3. Provide a brief report to the Humanities Center Coordinator at the end of the academic year.
4. Submit names and affiliations of group leaders and members.
5. Submit all requests for all purchases (excluding food) to the Humanities Center Coordinator. All non-food purchases must be made through the University Center for the Humanities.
6. Provide itemized receipts for any food purchases. For information and details about itemized receipts go to: [www.wmich.edu/payroll/disbursements](http://www.wmich.edu/payroll/disbursements)
7. Provide names and affiliations of all attendees for each group meeting.
8. **Acknowledge the University Center for the Humanities in all publications, print materials, advertisements, etc. relating to the interdisciplinary group.**

Successful group proposals must include:

1. A title for the group, and a brief statement of purpose (250 words).
2. The names and affiliations of group leaders and members.
3. A proposed budget for the year (the group may seek up to \$500 per year).

Proposals will be reviewed by the advisory board of the University Center for the Humanities.

To submit a proposal, please send an email to [wmu-humanities@wmich.edu](mailto:wmu-humanities@wmich.edu), subject line: IDHG Proposal; attach a word.doc or pdf with all above included information to the email.

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