

# The Center for Mexican American Studies University of Houston

## 2018 Faculty Grant Competition

The Center for Mexican American Studies (CMAS) is pleased to announce the 2017 Faculty Research Seed Grants. The purpose of these grants is to support scholarship on Mexican Americans and Latino communities. CMAS is particularly interested in policy relevant and multidisciplinary research, however, other discipline related scholarship also will be supported (i.e., activities in the humanities, performing and creative arts). Faculty members across the UH campus are encouraged to apply.

**Deadline:** April, 2018

**Eligibility:** The CMAS grant competition is open to all full-time research, tenured and tenure-track faculty at UH whose work focuses on Mexican Americans and Latinos. Junior faculty are encouraged to apply. Faculty members may apply for one type of grant (individual or collaborative). Examples of support for scholarly activities include proposal development (for external funding), transcription, travel, and publication (including journal articles, book prospectus).

\*The grant does not support course preparation, instructional projects, or activities defined as faculty development.

**Awards:** up to 6 awards (each up to \$3,500).

**Grant Terms:** Awardees are expected to:

1. Support CMAS programs by attending CMAS sponsored events, present research, contribute to publications on the CMAS website, or serve on committees (e.g., funding selection committees).
2. Acknowledge CMAS funding on all publications and presentations resulting from grant support.
3. Submit a report summarizing the scholarly activities completed during the funding period [April, 2018 - April, 2019]

\*Resources unrelated to the scholarly activity are not supported (including purchase of computer hardware (e.g., monitors, keyboard, printer or software unrelated to the scholarly activity))

\*\*All expenditures of funds must comply with State of Texas guidelines.

### Application Guidelines

Complete applications should include:

1. Cover Sheet
2. A 2-3 page single spaced summary of the scholarly activity that describes (12 pt type):
  - a. The purpose of the activity, (1) a detailed description of the specific tasks to be conducted and why; If the paper consists of an empirical analysis, the paper must include the research problem, methodology, contribution to the field; (2) the potential to produce a larger project or external funding (if applicable); (3) the location, timeline, and detailed budget for project completion;
  - (4) the significance or contribution to the applicant's field; and (5) the project's contribution to the mission of CMAS (e.g., education, health, immigration, housing, urban issues).



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- b. 2 page Curriculum Vita
    - The policy relevance of the project [if the project focuses on policy].
    - The interdisciplinary nature of the project [if the project is interdisciplinary].
- CMAS considers scholarly activities to be policy-relevant if they address policy as complex set of social practices and projects that involve the cultural, contextual and political dimensions of issues that impact Latinos. These can include activities that inform and influence public debates on policy issues, policy formation and implementation processes, but it does not privilege official governing bodies or traditional approaches to addressing the social problems impacting Latinos.
- The project's contribution to applicant's professional progress or prospects for external funding or publication.
3. A one-page biography (maximum of 200 words) that includes the relevant publication and funding record of the applicant and mentor (if applicable).

Applications will be reviewed by a faculty committee.

**Submission Guidelines** Applicants should submit **a single [fillable] pdf document** that includes all requested materials to Christine Cortez at [cgcortez@central.uh.edu](mailto:cgcortez@central.uh.edu). Incomplete applications or applications not in a pdf file will not be reviewed. Applications are accepted until 5pm on the due date. Applications received after this date will not be reviewed.

However, if for any reason you have difficulty with your form or any questions, please do not hesitate to email.

[Please see [www.uh.edu/class/cmas](http://www.uh.edu/class/cmas)].

Start Date of funded Grants is April 2018 and ends April, 2019.

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## II. BUDGET (detach and complete)

	Funds Requested	Other Funds	Total
<b>SALARIES &amp; WAGES</b>			
Faculty Salaries			
Staff Wages			
Student Wages (e.g. graduate/undergraduate)			
Non---Employee Wages (e.g. non---UH participant)			
<b>MAINTENANCE &amp; OPERATION</b> (e.g. chemicals, supplies, services, copying, postage, etc.)			
<b>TRAVEL</b> (must comply with State of Texas guidelines)			
<b>Equipment</b> (specify items over \$5,000 each)			
<b>TOTAL PROJECT COST</b>			

**BUDGET JUSTIFICATION (Justify all costs other than Principal Investigator salary.)  
Also, please list all current and pending support, both external and internal.**