

W. Norris Duvall Leadership Endowment Fund

Faculty Request for Proposals (RFP)

Each academic year the W. Norris Duvall Leadership Endowment Fund, administered through the *Department of Community and Leadership Development*, will be accepting requests for proposals. This RFP is for faculty proposals; there is a separate application for student proposals.

About the Trust

The W. Norris Duvall Leadership Endowment Fund is a trust established for the purpose of enhancing student leadership development opportunities. Through the generosity of the late Mr. W. Norris Duvall, of Todd County, Kentucky, the *Duvall Fund for Youth, Leadership, Ethics, and Service* was established at the University of Kentucky's College of Agriculture, Food, and Environment to support programs ***that assist students in developing leadership skills and a responsibility for ethical behavior.***

Eligible Projects

Funding is intended to assist Community & Leadership Development (CLD) faculty and staff in expanding leadership development activities. Awards will be distributed to support projects that enhance student leadership.

Student Leadership Development

The Duvall Leadership Fund supports projects that encourage students to develop their own leadership skills and competencies. Projects that encourage students to think critically and creatively, be innovative, and develop specific leadership skills are encouraged.

Examples may include teacher-directed international experiences that focus on leadership, culture, or community; undergraduate research projects and presentations, and engaged community initiatives sharing new or novel leadership ideas and projects.

Student Leadership & Community Engagement

The Duvall Leadership Fund supports projects that connect student leaders with community engagement and/or participatory action research initiatives. Plans for developing collaborative working projects should be respectful of the W. Norris Duvall priority of ethical leadership. Funded projects should be designed to provide students with responsibility and leadership opportunities to engage with local communities. Project proposals in this category should be developed in conjunction with a community

partner and submitted as a proposal (by a CLD team) to *work with* an organization or group of community members.

Examples may include engaging community members in learning about community issues, and the economic, social, and other impacts associated with alternative courses of action; conducting community assessments; administering surveys; mobilizing program activities; or student involvement in community-based research or initiatives.

Visiting Speakers/Scholars

The Duvall Leadership Endowment Fund supports the hosting of thought-provoking leaders to speak and/or conduct workshops which support the leadership development of students (*Example: leader in residence or guest speakers on topics of leadership, ethics, or community development*). The goal of the program is to bring to campus prominent leaders that have a strong Kentucky connection, known for their ethical style of leadership. Invited speakers are expected to provide lectures and/or lead in-depth discussions on leadership topics in the areas of social, political, economic, ethical, and legal conditions and their effect on leadership and decision making. Students will have the opportunity to learn from and interact with the leader in residence, faculty and community leaders during discussion sessions held at the University of Kentucky and in community-based settings.

Funding Available

Available funds will be determined by the size and number of proposals awarded each year. Depending upon the size and number of proposals awarded each year, typical awards generally range from **\$2500** to **\$12,000**.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants for Duvall project funds include all faculty and staff in the Community and Leadership Development Department at the University of Kentucky. Collaborative proposals between CLD faculty/staff and other units, both internal and external to the University of Kentucky, are encouraged.

Proposal Submission Process

Proposals should provide the following components:

- Applicant name(s) and department affiliation(s)
- Primary Contact - name, email, phone number
- Project Overview – basic description of the project and rationale
 - Must include introduction, conceptual/theoretical framework, evidence-based research, etc.

- Project Outcomes
 - How will student understanding of ethics, trust or service be impacted by this program?
 - How will this project positively impact participant leadership development?
- Project Budget & Justification
- Project Evaluation
- Expected Timeline of Project Activities
- Plan for Sharing Impact/Knowledge
- If this project is focused on community engagement, how was the proposal developed in conjunction with a community partner?

To submit a proposal, go to: https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_aUYwvSxwLOul5eS

Proposal Funding Timeline

A call for proposals will be sent out annually at the beginning of the Fall Semester. Proposals must be submitted **by 11:59 pm by Oct 15th** for funding available for the following calendar year. Project proposals will be reviewed by the Duvall Leadership Endowment Fund Advisory Committee, with award decisions sent out **by December 15th**.

Awards should be utilized within a 12-month period after being received. Please reach out to the Duvall committee (see contact information below) if you need to modify the budget or timeframe given unanticipated circumstances.

Note that proposals should be submitted via Qualtrics. Use this link (https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_aUYwvSxwLOul5eS) or scan the QR code:



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