

**2004-2005 ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FACULTY CHAIR,**  
**EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE CHARLES PHELPS TAFT**  
**RESEARCH CENTER AND MEMORIAL FUND**

In February 2004, only nineteen months ago, the Taft Trustees authorized the Faculty Executive Board to create the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center. This conversion involved the creation of new programs, structural changes to committees, by-law amendments and new budget categories. The changes were approved at the November 2004 Taft Trustees meeting and active preparation for the September 2005 opening of the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center began in earnest. The preparation of this annual report brought into stark relief the remarkable efforts that have been accomplished in relatively short period of time. Of course, amidst all of this activity, the Executive Board and its standing committees continued to manage the Memorial Fund's existing programs to insure that it remained the most reliable and important competitive source of support for scholarly activity in the humanities and related social sciences in the McMicken College of Arts & Sciences. This report details the activities of the Taft Memorial Fund for the 2004-5 academic year in which 295 individual awards to faculty, graduate and undergraduate students were granted along with support for 36 visiting lectures, 1 on-campus conference, and continued recognition of 5 Taft Professorships.

**I. Administration and Governance**

Academic year 2004-5, represented a major increase in administrative and governance activity for the entire Faculty Executive Board. To meet the November 2004 Trustee meeting deadline, the 04-05 Executive Board acted as a committee-of-the-whole and held additional meetings in September to finalize all of the programmatic changes necessary for the conversion to a research center, while still maintaining careful oversight of existing programs. Special meetings were also held in December and June. The Executive Board and its committees were supported through the exceptional work of Joy Dunn, the Taft Secretary and Sr. Business Services Assistant. The success of this year would not have occurred without Joy's continued effective and efficient management of the Taft office and her interactions with faculty, students, departments, the college office and other agencies.

In total, the Faculty Executive Board met 10 times during the year, including four special meetings related to the conversion to the Center (2 in Sept., Dec, and June). The Board's activities this year were focused on two areas:

- Normal oversight of our programs and standing committees. (See Program Sections).
- Planning for the Taft Research Center. (See Concluding Section)

The Faculty Chair continued the practice initiated in 2003 of meeting with the ten Taft Department Heads at the beginning of the year and consulted with the Heads throughout the year as planning for the Taft Research Center progressed.

Finally, the Executive Board posted on our website a new “*Applying to Taft: Helpful Hints*” link to assist faculty and students in the preparation of competitive proposals based on common practices that standing committees have observed over time.

## **II. Student Programs (36.4% of the Fund)**

### **Student Awards Committee**

For the 2004-2005 academic year, the committee was composed of Alan Sullivan (Chair, Anthropology), Jonathan Alexander (English), Katharina Gerstenberger (German), Tracy Teslow (History), and Bill Whitmore (Economics). The annual budget for Student Awards totaled \$392,955, of which the committee had authority over \$267,955 (see explanatory comment below regarding Graduate Enhancement Fellowships). The committee met each quarter to evaluate proposals for Graduate Student Travel, Undergraduate and Graduate Enrichment Awards, and convened twice during Spring Quarter to consider Advanced Departmental Fellowships (allocated and competitive), and once during Spring Quarter to review a request for a distribution from the Graduate Enhancement Fellowship (GEF) reserve.

### **Advanced Graduate Fellowships**

The AY 04-05 budget for these programs was \$199,000, which included \$100,000 for eight allocated Advanced Departmental Fellowships (@ \$12,500 each), \$24,000 for summer support of allocated Advanced Departmental Fellowships (@ \$3,000 each), and \$75,000 for six competitive Advanced Departmental Fellowships (@ \$12,500 each). The Committee met on March 30 and on April 5 to consider eight requests for allocated Advanced Departmental Fellowships. With the exception of the request from Romance Languages, all were awarded. A total of 18 competitive Advanced Departmental Fellowship requests, representing seven Taft departments (none was submitted by Romance Languages) were evaluated (this was an increase of five from the previous year); seven awards were made to five departments: English (2), German (1), History (1), Math (2), and Political Science (1).

### **Graduate Travel Awards**

The AY 04-05 budget for this program was \$20,000. For the year, the committee evaluated 32 proposals and awarded a total of \$12,111.99 to 28 students from eight Taft departments: Anthropology (2), English (9), German (2), History (1), Math (1), Political Science (3), Romance Languages (4), and Sociology (6). However, because only \$9,042.86 of the awarded funds was used, a surplus of \$10,957.14 had accumulated by year’s end, which was transferred to cover heavy demand in Graduate Enrichment.

### **Graduate Enrichment Awards**

The AY 04-05 budget for this program was \$20,000. For the year, the committee evaluated 22 requests from students in seven departments and funded 20 proposals: Anthropology (3), English (5), History (8), Math (1), Philosophy (1), Romance Languages (1), and Sociology (1) totaling \$31,921.45. This represented a significant increase from the previous year in which graduate enrichment awarded only \$19,443.66.

### **Graduate Enhancement Fellowships**

The AY 04-05 budget for this program was \$125,000. For the year, a total of 71 students from all ten Taft departments received some form of support, which in the aggregate totaled \$125,100 (by comparison, for AY 03-04, only 38 students received some form of GEF support). In April, the committee approved a request from Math for an additional \$3,000 distribution from the GEF reserve to support three advanced graduate students.

### **Undergraduate Enrichment Awards**

The AY 04-05 budget for Undergraduate Enrichment Awards was \$20,000. For the year, the committee evaluated 24 proposals, representing undergraduate students from six Taft departments, and funded 21 of them: Anthropology (3), English (4), Romance Languages (7), Philosophy (1), German (3), and Political Science (3), awarding a total of \$29,644.52. The deficit in this program's budget was covered by surpluses/unexpended funds in the Fringe Benefits line, the Graduate Fellowships and Summer Support lines, and the Graduate Travel line.

### **Summary of Student Awards**

With the establishment of the Taft Research Center and the implementation of UC/21, both the Undergraduate and Graduate Enrichment Awards have emerged as keystones to satisfy the increasing needs of students to participate in research and learning programs. Both of these programs have been exhausting their budgets and we will need to consider some increases in the near future. In addition, the Board needs to assess potential opportunities to expand research opportunities for undergraduates. Finally, for several departments our advanced dissertation fellowship now pays less than the university graduate assistantship they award. The Board will need to assess the dissertation award level.

## **III. Faculty Awards (20.2% of the Fund)**

The Faculty Awards committee was divided into three separate committees this year for two reasons. First, the service burden had become significant operating as the committee for all faculty awards. Second, with the creation of a distinct Center Fellows committee it seemed appropriate to restructure how we managed travel awards and fellowships. Therefore, in 2004-5 we adopted the following structure: The Faculty Travel Committee oversees 3 programs; Faculty Fellowship oversees 2 programs; and the Center Fellows committee administers 1 program.

### **A. Faculty Travel Awards Committee**

The Faculty Travel Awards Committee included Debashis Pal – Chair (Economics), Chris Phillips (History), Todd Herzog (German Studies), Michael Griffith (English) and Jim Deddens (Mathematics).

### **Research Travel Grants**

Research Grants for Travel are grants meant to cover expenses for faculty who need to travel in

order to conduct their research. Its budget line is shared with international conferencing at \$50,000. The Board intends to split this line next year based on budget demand analysis of previous years. These awards are limited to \$3,500 in any 24-month period. We received 23 proposals and were able to fund 14 requests totaling \$23,962.74. The total amount awarded in this category is a substantial increase over that of last year. The budget deficit was covered from a non-awarded faculty fellowship

### **International Conference Travel Awards**

Taft provides support for faculty members who are invited to make presentations at international academic meetings. These grants are particularly valuable to our faculty and they continue to be a popular and well-utilized source of funding. These grants enable faculty to publicize their research around the world and garner important and useful contacts with international colleagues in their fields. These awards are limited to \$2,500 in any 24-month period. This year we received 33 proposals and were able to fund 27 requests totaling \$39,770.47. The budget deficit was covered with a non-awarded faculty fellowship research supplement.

### **Domestic Travel Grants**

The Taft Fund helped defray travel expenses for faculty members invited to make presentations at academic meetings within the United States. The budget for this category was \$20,000. These awards are limited to \$700.00 in an academic year per individual applicant. We received 71 proposals and funded 66 requests totaling \$23,772.26. This was a substantial increase from the previous year in which we awarded 36 trips and will have to be monitored to see if a trend of greater faculty activity and use of this fund is now beginning. The budget deficit was covered from unused fringe benefits, which is a budget line no longer allocated in the 2005-6 budget after federal rules were changed.

## **B. Faculty Fellowship Committee**

The Faculty Fellowship Committee included Linda Przybyszewski, Chair (History); Christine Cuomo (Philosophy); Charles Groetsch (Mathematics); Brock Clarke (English); Neal Ritchey (Sociology).

### **Faculty Release Fellowships (formally know as the competitive faculty fellowship)**

These fellowships allow a faculty member to be released from teaching for one quarter in order to pursue a specific research project. The budget for this award was \$40,000. It is required that applicants obtain at least one additional quarter of release time (generally in the form of academic or professional leave). The number of FRF applications varies directly with the number of sabbaticals in any given year. This year's competition received nearly double the number of applications as last year (9) from five full professors and four associate professors. The committee found only four applications appropriate for funding and, thus, awarded release to three full and one associate professor at \$32,000. In addition, we awarded a total of \$6,000 in research supplement from a \$10,000 budget. These resources were shifted to cover overspending in travel categories.

### **Summer Research Fellowships**

We awarded twelve Research Fellowships of \$7,000 each (the award will be lowered to \$6500 next year) and an additional \$6,500 in research supplements for specific project costs. Seventeen faculty applied for these fellowships down from the previous year's pool of twenty-five. Thirteen of these applicants were from junior faculty and we awarded fellowships to nine. Five applications were from associate and full professors, and three of these applicants were funded. This exhausted the entire allocated budget for this category.

### **C. Taft Center Fellows Committee**

The Taft Center Fellows Committee membership is set in our by-laws and will be filled from the pool of previous Center Fellows. In order to have in place Taft Center Fellows for the 2005-6 academic year, the Taft Center Fellows program guidelines and call for proposals were announced in December. Faculty were provided only a two-month window in which to apply. In addition, we had to create an ad hoc committee for the first year selection. The Faculty Chair nominated a list of ten distinguished faculty with records of significant scholarship and the Executive Board appointed: Barbara Ramusack (History), Don Gustafson (Philosophy), Ken Meyer (Mathematics), David Lundgren (Sociology). Richard Harknett served as Chair representing the Board. The committee considered 10 applications and selected six fellows each of whom met the two critical criteria of proposing a significant research project and explaining how they would contribute to and benefit from a multidisciplinary environment during the year as a Center Fellow. The 2005-6 fellows will be: Edward Ross Dickinson (History), Katharina Gerstenberger (German Studies), Wendy Kline (History), Robert Skipper (Philosophy), Rhys Williams (Sociology), and Julian Wuerth (Philosophy). The 2005-6 budget for this category was fully allocated at \$91,050.

### **D. Publications Committee (.9% of the Fund)**

The Publications Committee for the 2004-2005 academic year consisted of Jay Twomey, Chair (English), Sung Eun Kim (Mathematics), and Jeffrey Timberlake (Sociology). This was the third full year of the broadened scope for the committee's funding. In addition to its traditional mission of providing subventions for the publication of faculty books, the committee may now also provide funding to meet the costs associated with faculty publications in journals and other venues. The committee was able to support five publications, allocating \$6698.50 of its \$10,000 budget.

The publications funded were: Barbara Wenner (English), awarded \$738.50 for her book *Prospect and Refuge in the Landscape of Jane Austen*; Eran Kaplan, on behalf of Elka Klein-deceased (Judaic Studies), awarded \$1000.00 for Professor Klein's book *Community & King: Jews and Christian Society in Medieval Barcelona*; Steven Bowman (Judaic Studies), awarded \$960.00 for his book *Jewish Resistance in Wartime Greece*; John Drury (English), awarded \$1000.00 for his book *The Poetry Dictionary*; Alan Sullivan (Anthropology), awarded \$1000.00 for his book *Hinterlands and Regional Dynamics in the Ancient Southwest*.

## **IV. Departmental and Interdisciplinary Programs (40.7% of the Fund)**

### **A. Conferences and Lectures Committee (6.5% of the Fund)**

The committee consisted of Laura Jenkins, Chair (Political Science), Jintai Ding (Mathematics), Sigrun Haude (History) and Sara Beth Estes (Sociology). This committee oversees two programs: support for Conferences to be held at UC and lectures beyond those allocated to departments, which must be considered competitively for funding.

The committee selected a proposal from the Philosophy department for a conference on “*Virtue Ethics and Kantian Ethics*, which was cosponsored with Hebrew Union College and held April 1-3, 2005. Taft supported an award of \$7,790 out of a budget of \$20,000. Last year, this award category expended its budget and in terms of spending patterns this seems an anomalous year.

In contrast, the demand for competitive lectures was very high and the committee was authorized to cover several additional lectures because of their high quality. In all, the committee supported 17 lectures through our competitive fund to supplement the 19 department lectures held in 2003-4. The competitive lectures came from six different Taft departments.

In both the categories of conferences and competitive lectures, we received proposals that had been able to leverage Taft money with additional funds in order to have a wider impact or bring to campus significant scholars

### **B. Research Support (18.5% of the Fund)**

The Research Support Committee consisted of Bingyu Zhang (Mathematics), Lowanne Jones (Romance Languages and Literature), David Stradling (History), Anke Biendarra (German Studies), and was chaired by Annulla Linders (Sociology).

The committee had three regularly scheduled meetings during the year (Oct, Feb, April), during which it reviewed a total of 23 proposals (10 cost-sharing, 10 special requests, 2 of which were requests for library purchases, and 3 research seminars) submitted by 26 faculty members in 7 different Taft departments: Economics (2), English (3), History (4), Mathematics (13), Philosophy (1), Romance Languages (1), and Sociology (2).

#### **Cost-Sharing Awards**

The committee recommended approval of six of the ten cost-sharing proposals, conditional approval of two additional cost-sharing proposals (pending clarifications), and rejection of two proposals. The awards (including the pending proposals) totaled \$ 53,399 out of a budget of \$50,000. Of the cost-sharing proposals, one constituted matching funds (salary replacement) to a post-doctoral fellowship, two matching funds for grant applications, and seven release time for proposal preparation. Since the guidelines state that the committee can only grant five release time awards per year, a selection had to be made among proposals that from a quality perspective were all fundable. The committee used the following selection priorities to rank the proposals:

(1) higher priority to the preparation of new grant proposal than to revisions of existing proposals, (2) higher priority to new grant writers than to established grant getters, (3) higher priority to proposals geared to a specific granting agency than to unspecified funding sources, (4) higher priority to junior applicants than senior ones, and (5) higher priority to large-scale projects with greater potential impact than more minor ones.

### **Taft Research Support**

This award category is aimed at underwriting expenses associated with faculty research through (1) department allocations (fixed \$5,000 per department; not processed by the Committee), (2) special requests for research, and (3) special requests for library purchases.

Of the ten proposals for special requests, two involved major library purchases (one from History, one from Economics). The first proposal involved the purchase of Times Digital Archive, 1785-1900 (\$25,515) and the second journal back files, involving economics and finance journals, from Elsevier (\$8,940). Both projects were funded in full for a total of \$34,455.

All eight proposals requesting research support involved bringing collaborators to the University of Cincinnati; five of these proposals came from Mathematics, one from Economics, one from Sociology, and one jointly from History and English. The proposed visits ranged from one to four weeks. One of the proposals (from Sociology) also included a soft-ware request. In approving these eight proposals, the committee awarded \$31,755.80.

Total awards granted for proposals involving research support: \$66,210.80

### **Research Seminars**

In this first round of the brand new Taft Center Research Seminar program, the committee received three proposals, one from Romance Languages and Literature, one from Mathematics, and one jointly from History and English. All proposals clearly fit the guidelines for the Research Seminars, and all involved prominent visitors and a critical mass of UC faculty and student participation. Thus, although all three proposals required revisions, they were all conditionally approved. In one case, the proposal involved four visiting scholars at \$10,000, but the guidelines allow for only \$30,000 in visitor stipends. In another case, a quarter visit was split between two scholars, but the guidelines clearly state that all visitors must stay for at least one quarter. The third proposal involved only one visitor for one quarter, and the committee recommended that the proposal writers try to find additional visitors to increase the potential impact of the project. In the end, all three seminar proposals were revised in a satisfactory manner and were funded. In combination the seminars will bring 7 different visiting Taft Center Scholars to UC for sustained research engagement of at least 10 weeks each. The 2005-6 seminars will be: *On Geometric Analysis* with visiting fellows, Xioa Zhong (University of Jyvaskula, Finland), Stephen Buckley (National University of Ireland), Juha Kinnunen (University of Oulu, Finland); *New Approaches to the Study of Globalization* with Brenda Assael (University of Wales Swansea); and, *Development and Meaning of Spanish and Spanish American Poetry* with Roberto Sosa (Honduras), Pedro Lasta (Stoney Brook), and Mario Valdes (Toronto).

#### **D. Major Awards Committee (15.7% of the Fund)**

The Major Awards Committee consisted of Richard Harknett, Chair (Executive Board Chair); Paula Dubeck (Sociology), Wolfgang Mayer (Economics), Richard Schade (German), John Tytus (representing the Trustees). As there were no changes in the Taft Professorships this year, the committee's duties for the year focused on the Departmental Enhancement Awards.

The committee received one application from the Department of Philosophy to develop a program on Ethics. The committee found a lack of institutional financial commitment and thus questioned the sustainability of the program. The department was encouraged to reapply next year.

The 2003-4 Departmental Enhancement Awards to create a *Program in Security and Governance* and *A Center for Applied Research in Economics* reported significant first year progress. The Political Science Department's program on security reported "significant strides toward laying the groundwork for a sustainable security studies program anchored in the department." During the first year of the grant the contributing faculty focused on two primary goals: generating interest across campus for programming and establishing the basis for financial sustainability beyond the terms of the Taft grant. At year's end Taft support had enabled a research seminar of visiting scholars that generated attendance from across the campus, the establishment of an undergraduate curriculum in the form of a certificate in security studies, and the creation of a center for crisis and emergency management that would focus initially on issues in the Ohio River Corridor. The first year of the DEA allowed the department to investigate several avenues of future funding from national federal grant competitions to individual research opportunities. The department determined that sustainability would rest primarily in its initial phases on a local/regional service orientation, rather than competition over national grants and funds, although these will be pursued when appropriate. The department plans on launching this local/regional focus through a 2006 conference that will be tied to a re-oriented publication that will be more directly tied to crisis and emergency management and homeland security. The publication associated with the original proposal will be pursued later than originally proposed in order to maximize its integration into a long-term sustainable program.

Critical contacts were begun with State of Ohio, locally-based Federal, and regional agencies all of which indicated a willingness to develop an outreach center at UC. The first year of the grant, thus, was positive and productive in laying critical groundwork for a security studies program.

The Economic Department's DEA was formally renamed during its first year, the *Applied Economics Research Institute* and it made significant progress across all three of its major objective areas. The AERI provided hands-on training to 6 graduate students interested in urban and regional economic issues, established links with the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber of Commerce over the use of databases and collaborative projects, and attracted major contract work on three projects totaling \$42,000 and an additional \$5,000 in smaller projects. This was a well-executed and successful first year and exceeded some proposal expectations of what would be accomplished in Year 1.



The 2002-3 DEA was awarded to support *The Cincinnati Review Journal*, a high-profile literary journal published through Department of English and Comparative Literature. Its first year and a half were dedicated to establishing its editorial board and operations and soliciting submissions. Into its third year of Taft funding, *TCR* has established itself as one of the country's best literary journals. Its first three issues (published bi-annually) have included the work of writers who have won Pulitzers, Guggenheim and Gauss awards. It has a current subscriber list of 234 in just two years of operation. One reviewer has summed up this initial success as follows: "Each issue of *TCR* is filled with intelligent and entertaining fiction, poetry, essays, and artwork that will delight the average reader as well as avid students of literature. It is a challenging, attractive, fun magazine..."

## **V. The Budget**

Our 2004-5 budget remained at the same level as the previous year. Across most award categories our application rates increased and brought into pressure several budget lines. However, as with past years, the number of applications fluctuated in other categories and we were able to consider most applications that met our quality standards. Quality proposals for the Undergraduate Enrichment award has now for several years consistently overwhelmed its budget line, while Graduate Travel has remained consistently under budget. Thus, a shift in those lines is proposed in the 2006-7 budget.

The main budget effort was to reconfigure our spending to support the opening of the Taft Research Center. While this did not effect 2004-5 spending, the changes necessitated for the Center did require us to consider 2004-5 a transition year and hold off on requests to increase support in existing programs. Of note, some existing programs were carefully re-sized for 2005-6. Summer Research fellowship stipends were reduced by \$500, department allocated research support was reduced by \$1000 per department, special request research support was reduced by \$4,000, cost share by \$5,000 and the DEA by \$15,000 to \$135,000. Given that our budget approval cycle concludes in November each year, these reductions will remain in place for 2006-7 as well. We will have to pay careful attention to the impact of these changes in terms of number of proposals and awards funded. In September 2006, we will have one year of Center operation behind us and be in a position to use that experience to assess the needs of the 2007-8 budget. That budget will likely need to anticipate some distributional growth in some award categories that will not have seen growth in four years.

## **VI. Conversion to the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center**

At the November 2003 Taft Trustees meeting, the Faculty Executive Board presented its proposal to re-configure our existing programs along with several new initiatives into the Taft Research Center. This proposal was supported with a financial commitment on the part of the University of Cincinnati to provide the base funding to provide a residential building to house the Taft Center along with office space on campus. In February 2004, the Taft Trustees formally

responded and authorized an additional \$180,000 to the annual distribution (approximately half of the proposed Center's budget) beginning in 2005-6. At the November 2004 Taft Trustees meeting, the Faculty Executive Board presented all of the necessary programmatic, structural, and by-law changes that it passed (unanimously) along with its new budget structure based on an annual distribution of \$1,261,000. The Taft Trustees approved of the Executive Board's actions and on December 3, 2004 the reconfiguration of the Memorial Fund's programs into the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center was announced to the Taft faculty at a special event and the two new programs that will anchor the Center – the Research Seminars with visiting scholars and the Center Fellows – were formally opened for proposal competition.

The conversion necessitated not only the creation of new program guidelines and committees, but preparations for the move from the small single Taft Office in Old Chemistry to Taft House on Stratford Heights and the Taft Fellows Office Suite in French Hall (ten fellows offices). This preparation required coordination with many actors that the Taft office had not previously engaged. These included: the University Heights Urban Redevelopment Corporation that was overseeing the construction of the Stratford Heights complex, Stratford Heights management, sub-contractors involved in actual construction, University of Cincinnati Legal Affairs office, University Architect, University Information Technology as well as the McMicken College of Arts & Sciences Dean's office, University Provost, Vice President for Research, and the President's office. The result of these efforts was that on September 2, 2005 the Taft office moved into the new building at 2625 Clifton Ave. Although construction was not fully complete, residents began moving in. Taft House will maintain the main offices of the Taft Center as well as space for program activities. In addition, 12 residents will live on the second and third floors (6 Taft graduate students, 3 Taft Visiting Scholars, and 3 Margo Tytus Visiting Scholars). The building is a rental operation and the rental stream is paid through four sources: A Taft House university budget line of \$105,000 (supplied by contributions from McMicken College, the University Provost, and the Vice President for Research offices), the Margo Tytus Visiting Scholars housing budget line of \$19,000; the Taft Center Graduate Fellows budget line of \$6300 (the fellowship is an award of a stipend and free housing); and individual rent paid by five Taft Graduate students of \$29,500. In 2002-3, the Taft Trustees authorized then Faculty Chair, Chris McCord to set aside \$50,000 of Chair Contingency Funds for the exploration and start-up costs of a possible center. In 2004-5, we spent \$43,229.74 of the set-aside for the actual conversion.

The preparation for the opening created the opportunity to interact with two partners that we expect will produce long-term synergies. First, the housing of the Margo Tytus Scholars at Taft House will bring together programming between the Taft Memorial Fund and the Classics Dept's Semple Fund for the first time. We expect that this co-location of residents will enrich the Tytus Scholars' experience while at UC and also lead to an enrichment of Taft faculty and students. Second, preparations of the building led to collaboration with the Taft Museum of Art to decorate the Center. We fully expect to engage with the Museum annually to bring the two Charles and Annie Taft institutions in Cincinnati together when appropriate.

Finally, the conversion also included a complete redesign and re-structuring of our website ([www.artsci.uc.edu/taft](http://www.artsci.uc.edu/taft)) as well as our logo for publicity and letterhead. We were assisted with excellent support through the McMicken College of Arts & Sciences Marketing and

Communications office.

In practical terms, the preparations for the Center in combination with the oversight of existing programs required the Faculty Chair position to dedicate full-time attention to Taft affairs. The Executive Board will have to examine the issue of staff support after the Center begins its operations. The Faculty Chair represented the Taft Center at the annual meeting of the Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes to which we became a member in June.

## **VII. Chair's Contingency**

The Chair's Contingency Fund serves two roles. First, it is the Taft Fund's equivalent of departmental operating expenses, used for covering office expenses, lecture/entertainment costs and other incidental expenses associated with the normal operations of the Taft Fund. Second, it is a discretionary fund for the Chair, providing a flexible source of funding for activities which fall within the Taft Fund's mandate, but which are not covered by any of the formally established committees and programs. Funds also come into the Contingency Fund from two sources. A small amount of money is budgeted each year for the Contingency Fund, to cover operating costs and incidental expenses. The more significant source of funds is the unexpended committee funds. Typically, at the end of each year, over expenditures in one category are covered by under expenditures in others, and any residue reverts to the Chair's contingency. This was the last year in which lecture publicity and hosting costs were covered through contingency and not their own budget line. Along with those costs and office supplies, the Chair made a \$6,500 subvention to publish the Lessing Yearbook, edited by the German Studies Department to cover increased publisher costs and lower than expected revenue. That award was made only after the Faculty Chair met with the Lessing Editorial Board, including its non-UC Faculty members, to understand how the journal will change its publishing cycle to meet its budget. It was understood that this will be the last subvention for Lessing granted out of contingency. Finally, a grant of \$2,500 was made to Prof. Beth Honadle to bring in a visiting scholar to make a public lecture on community outreach and non-profits in November 2005, since the context of the lecture did not fit into the criteria of competitive lectures, but the committee found it an important event.

## **VIII. Conclusion**

2004-5 was a remarkable year. It began in September with a 32-page proposal of program, committee, by-law, and budget changes and ended in August with a newly-configured Research Center housed in a new four-floor building and suite of campus offices. This change occurred while we maintained another solid year of awarding support to faculty and students to pursue research in the humanities and related social sciences. Both change and consistency were managed through our Executive Board and standing committees -- a system of faculty oversight that continues to function with the highest level of commitment to rigorous peer review and consensus-oriented administration. This year of transition will now give way to several years of implementation as we strive to create a Humanities and Social Science research center that will garner national and international acclaim for its programs and activities.

Respectfully submitted,

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**TAFT MEMORIAL FUND BUDGET FOR 2004-05**

(2003-04 budget for informational purposes)

			<u>2003-04</u>	<u>2004-05</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>2004-05</u> <u>Awards</u>
<b>Conferences &amp; Lectures</b>	<b>6.5%</b>				
Departmental Allocation		10 @ \$3,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
Competitive Lectures			\$20,000	\$20,000	\$28,750
Conferences			\$20,000	\$20,000	\$7,790
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$70,000</b>	<b>\$70,000</b>	<b>\$66,540</b>
<b>Faculty Awards</b>	<b>20.2%</b>				
Research Grants		12 @ \$7,000	\$84,000	\$84,000	\$84,000
Research Supplements		7 @ \$1,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$6,500
Competitive Faculty Fellowships		5 @ \$8,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$32,000
CFF Research Supplements		5 @ \$2,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$6,000
Conference Travel & Research Travel			\$50,000	\$50,000	\$63,733
Fringe Benefits for Research Grants (Student Rate 4.5%)			\$3,780	\$3,780	\$0
Domestic Travel			\$20,000	\$20,000	\$23,772
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$218,280</b>	<b>\$218,280</b>	<b>\$216,005</b>
<b>Major Awards</b>	<b>15.7%</b>				
Departmental Enhancement Awards			\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Taft Professors		5 @ \$4,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$170,000</b>	<b>\$170,000</b>	<b>\$170,000</b>
<b>Publications</b>	<b>0.9%</b>		<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$6,699</b>
<b>Research Support</b>	<b>18.5%</b>				
Departmental Allocation		10 @ \$ 5,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Special Requests			\$100,000	\$100,000	\$67,711
Cost Sharing			\$50,000	\$50,000	\$44,399
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$200,000</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>	<b>\$162,110</b>
<b>Student Awards</b>	<b>36.4%</b>				
Advanced Departmental Fellowships		8 @ \$12,500	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
Summer Support		8 @ \$ 3,000	\$24,000	\$24,000	\$24,000
Advanced Competitive Fellowships		6 @ \$12,500	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000
Fringe Benefits for Fellowships (Student Rate 4.5%)			\$8,955	\$8,955	\$0
Graduate Enhancement Fellowships			\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000
Graduate Student Travel			\$20,000	\$20,000	\$12,112
Graduate Enrichment			\$20,000	\$20,000	\$31,921
Undergraduate Enrichment Awards			\$20,000	\$20,000	\$29,645
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$392,955</b>	<b>\$392,955</b>	<b>\$397,678</b>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>1.8%</b>				
Staff Compensation			\$13,476	\$13,476	\$17,955
Fringe Benefits for Staff (36%)			\$5,593	\$5,593	\$8,197
Chair's Contingency*			\$696	\$696	\$61,496
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$19,765</b>	<b>\$19,765</b>	<b>\$87,648</b>
<b>Total Allocated</b>			<b>\$1,081,000</b>	<b>\$1,081,000</b>	<b>\$1,106,680</b>

**GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS  
2005-2006**

**English and Comparative Literature**

Kelcey Parker  
Stephen Criniti  
Darrin Doyle

Advanced Departmental  
Advanced Competitive  
Advanced Competitive

**German Studies**

Aine Zimmerman  
Julia Baker

Advanced Departmental  
Advanced Competitive

**History**

Aaron Cowan  
Daniel Glenn

Advanced Departmental  
Advanced Competitive

**Mathematical Sciences**

Raluca Dumitri  
Dorj Badamorj  
Tamer Oraby

Advanced Departmental  
Advanced Competitive  
Advanced Competitive

**Philosophy**

Matthew Van Cleave

Advanced Departmental

**Political Science**

Ivan Ivanov  
Irina Bazarya

Advanced Departmental  
Advanced Competitive

**Sociology**

Ryan Cragun

Advanced Departmental

**GRADUATE TRAVEL AWARDS  
2004 - 2005**

**Anthropology**

Margaret Burns	Oxford	\$208.61
Jennifer Chmilar	Indiana	\$193.75

**English and Comparative Literature**

Elizabeth Bauer	Louisville	\$182.00
David Bell	New York	\$500.00
Kathryn Bunthoff	Oregon	\$360.00
Susan Carpenter	Texas	\$500.00
Stephen Criniti	Indiana	\$220.75
Cynthia King	Vancouver	\$500.00
Molly McCaffrey	Illinois	\$500.00
Kevin Oberlin	New Mexico	\$500.00
Kelcey Parker	Illinois	\$500.00

**German**

Julia Baker	London	\$500.00
Laura Vas	Canada	\$500.00

**History**

Hiamanti Roy	Wisconsin	\$425.00
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**Mathematical Sciences**

Zhijun Yin	Athens, OH	\$328.48
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**Political Science**

Ivan Ivanov	Illinois	\$465.00
Joongsik Kim	Chicago	\$399.00
Jim Masterson	Illinois	\$476.00

**Romance Languages and Literatures**

Adriana Gordillo	Rhode Island	\$500.00
Anne-Marie Jezequel	Canada	\$500.00
Natalia Pelaz	California	\$500.00
Jasmina Terzioska	California	\$500.00

**Sociology**

Ryan Cragun	Missouri	\$500.00
Stephen Groschwitz	Washington, DC	\$500.00
Joseph Michael	Philadelphia	\$500.00
James Park	Washington, DC	\$458.40
David Purcell	Philadelphia	\$500.00
Andrew Ruffner	Philadelphia	\$395.00

**GRADUATE ENRICHMENT AWARDS  
2004 – 2005**

**Anthropology**

Michelle Anderson	Illinois	\$2,500.00
Jennifer Chmilar	Guatemala	\$ 500.00

**English and Comparative Literature**

David Bell	Baltimore	\$1,093.75
Joseph Alex Debonis	Vermont	\$2,030.00
Cynthia King	Maine	\$1,655.00
Scott Oldson	Italy	\$1,130.00
Kelcey Parker	Prague	\$2,500.00

**History**

Aaron Cowan	Washington, DC	\$ 577.50
Robert Gioielli	South Carolina	\$ 109.00
Tim Hennies	Egypt	\$2,500.00
James Jarman	England	\$2,500.00
Daniel Jordan	Germany	\$2,500.00
Krista Sigler	Russia	\$2,500.00
Dawn Spring	Illinois & N. Carolina	\$1,071.11
Dawn Spring	NY & Kansas	\$1,428.89

**Mathematical Sciences**

Raluca Dumitru	Italy	\$2,500.00
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**Philosophy**

Viorel Paslaru	San Francisco	\$ 748.20
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**Romance Languages and Literatures**

Karen Floeckher	Spain	\$2,127.00
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**Sociology**

Andrew Ruffner	Amsterdam	\$1,951.00
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**GRADUATE ENHANCEMENT  
2004 – 2005**

**Anthropology**

Molly Burns	\$4,736.00
Katheryne Harrell	\$4,736.00

**Economics**

Sushmitha Balasubraman	\$3,346.00
Ling Cao	\$3,346.00
Eduardo Saucedo	\$3,346.00
Liqinag Chen	\$3,346.00
Karen Haber	\$3,346.00
Erin Kessler	\$3,346.00
Junfang Leng	\$3,346.00
Elizabeth Mack	\$3,346.00

**English**

Joseph Bates	\$2,000.00
David Bell	\$9,999.98
Marilyn Brock	\$8,000.00
Anuradha Chatterjee	\$ 237.51
Kathryn Cole	\$2,000.00
Stephen Criniti	\$2,000.00
Joseph Debonis	\$2,000.00
Darrin Doyle	\$2,000.00
Marsha Foster	\$2,000.00
Julie Gerk	\$2,000.00
Charles Green	\$3,000.00
Molly McCaffrey	\$9,999.98
Daniel Smith	\$3,000.00
Rachel Wartman	\$2,000.00

**German Studies**

Andrea Engels	\$ 822.98
Marta Kardach	\$ 429.99
Susanne Koch	\$1,149.81
Wolfgang Lueckel	\$ 797.60
Renate Surdevant	\$1,149.81
Aine Zimmerman	\$1,149.81

**History**

Gregory Bell	\$2,000.00
Robert Giolelli	\$2,000.00
Dawn Spring	\$8,000.01

**Mathematical Sciences**

Dorjsuren Badamdorj	\$1,500.00
Laura Bristol	\$1,500.00
Huihao Fan	\$1,186.00

David Freeman	\$1,500.00
Anahit Galstyan	\$2,500.00
Gregory Hull	\$1,000.00
Andrew Jergens	\$ 500.00
Tina Moreman	\$ 700.00
Tamer Oraby	\$1,500.00
Ying Shi	\$1,000.00
Zeynep Teymuroglu	\$1,500.00
Bogdan Visinescu	\$1,500.00
John Wagner	\$1,500.00
Zhijun Yin	\$2,000.00
Kaidi Zhang	\$1,500.00
<b>Philosophy</b>	
Lindsey Craig	\$1,000.00
Bradley Gabbard	\$1,000.00
Sean Keating	\$1,000.00
Viorel Paslaru	\$1,600.00
Cassie Striblen	\$1,000.00
<b>Political Science</b>	
Daniel Birdson	\$2,094.05
Carolyn Cadena	\$2,200.00
Keith Hagan	\$2,200.00
Lisa Lyons	\$2,200.00
Jad Mahnken	\$2,094.05
<b>Romance Languages and Literatures</b>	
Giego Garcia	\$2,000.00
Natalia Pelaz	\$2,000.00
Elisabet Rodriguez	\$12,000.00
Maria Roldan-Wilson	\$12,000.00
<b>Sociology</b>	
Ryan Cragun	\$1,000.00
Mark Dawes	\$1,000.00
Leslie Elrod	\$2,380.00
Vicki Dryfhout-Ferguson	\$1,000.00
Lisa Fisher	\$ 920.00
C. James Park	\$1,000.00
David Purcell	\$1,000.00
Schuyler Schaeffer	\$1,000.00

**UNDERGRADUATE ENRICHMENT AWARDS  
2004 - 2005**

**Anthropology**

Jayne Csonka	India	\$2,051.00
Carmen McCane	Belize	\$2,000.00
Nick Molen	Italy	\$2,000.00

**English and Comparative Literature**

Nancy Bauman	Italy	\$1,130.00
Jordan Bernsmeier	Italy	\$1,130.00
Sarah Brown	Italy	\$1,130.00
Danielle Logsdon	Italy	\$1,130.00

**German Studies**

Michael Chirillo	South Africa	\$2,000.00
Jillian Fox	Germany	\$1,639.52
Kristen Stencel	Germany	\$2,000.00

**Philosophy**

Dan Brooks	Germany	\$1,600.00
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**Political Science**

Jocelyn Gibson	Prague	\$2,000.00
Brian Phillips	Maryland	\$ 300.00
Brian Phillips	Virginia	\$ 525.00

**Romance Languages and Literatures**

Meredith Blackmore	Costa Rica	\$1,009.00
Melanie Brewer	Spain	\$2,000.00
Robin Donovan	Spain	\$2,000.00
Cassidie Horner	Mexico	\$2,000.00
Michell Yuko	Spain	\$2,000.00

**FACULTY AWARDS  
2004 - 2005**

**HUMANITIES**

**ENGLISH AND COMPARATIVE LITERATURE (59 FACULTY) 24 GRANTS AWARDED FOR  
A TOTAL OF \$34,291.12**

**Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Stanley Corkin	Requested	\$1,350.00	Awarded	\$1,350.00
Holly Crocker	Requested	\$2,036.64	Awarded	\$2,036.64
Michael Griffith	Requested	\$1,065.00	Awarded	\$1,000.00

**Domestic Travel Grant**

Jana Evans Braziel	Requested	\$ 700.00	Awarded	\$ 700.00
Brock Clarke	Requested	\$ 238.20	Awarded	\$ 238.20
Stanley Corkin	Requested	\$ 262.00	Awarded	\$ 262.00
Stanley Corkin	Requested	\$ 215.00	Awarded	\$ 215.00
Amy Elder	Requested	\$ 298.40	Awarded	\$ 298.40
Tamar Heller	Requested	\$ 526.00	Awarded	\$ 170.00
Joanie Mackowski	Requested	\$ 245.89	Awarded	\$ 252.58
Leland Person	Requested	\$ 500.00	Awarded	\$ 500.00
Leland Person	Requested	\$ 336.90	Awarded	\$ 336.90
Leland Person	Requested	\$ 311.90	Awarded	\$ 311.90
Lucille Schultz	Requested	\$ 393.40	Awarded	\$ 393.40
Lucille Schultz	Requested	\$ 286.90	Awarded	\$ 286.90
Jay Twomey	Requested	\$ 243.00	Awarded	\$ 243.00
Jay Twomey	Requested	\$ 332.89	Awarded	\$ 332.89
Barbara Wenner	Requested	\$ 289.00	Awarded	\$ 289.00

**Research Travel Grant**

Jana Evans Braziel	Requested	\$1,450.00	Awarded	\$1,450.00
Lucille Schultz	Requested	\$1,981.00	Awarded	\$1,981.00

**Summer Research Fellowships**

Jana Evans Braziel	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00
Stanley Corkin	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00
Laura Micciche	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00

**Summer Research Fellowship Supplements**

Jana Evans Braziel	Requested	\$1,000.00	Awarded	\$1,000.00
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**GERMAN STUDIES (7 FACULTY) 8 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$18,779.40**

**Domestic Travel Grant**

Anke Biendarra	Requested	\$ 393.20	Awarded	\$ 393.20
Anke Beindarra	Requested	\$ 358.20	Awarded	\$ 303.08
Sara Friedrichsmeyer	Requested	\$ 284.20	Awarded	\$ 284.20
Katharina Gerstenberger	Requested	\$ 345.00	Awarded	\$ 345.00

Todd Herzog	Requested	\$ 425.00	Awarded	\$ 425.00
Richard Schade	Requested	\$ 403.20	Awarded	\$ 343.20

**Research Travel Grant**

Richard Schade	Requested	\$2,890.00	Awarded	\$1,682.00
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**Center Fellowships**

Katharina Gerstenberger	Requested	\$15,000.00	Awarded	\$15,000.00
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**HISTORY (25 FACULTY) 25 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$58,897.50****Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Sigrun Haude	Requested	\$ 787.23	Awarded	\$ 787.23
Wendy Kline	Requested	\$1,582.00	Awarded	\$1,582.00
Man Bun Kwan	Requested	\$2,200.00	Awarded	\$2,100.00
James Murray	Requested	\$1,200.25	Awarded	\$1,200.25
Mark Lause	Requested	\$1,067.44	Awarded	\$1,067.44
Geoffrey Plank	Requested	\$1,875.00	Awarded	\$1,875.00
Hilda Smith	Requested	\$ 782.50	Awarded	\$ 782.50
Willard Sunderland	Requested	\$2,100.00	Awarded	\$2,100.00

**Domestic Travel Grant**

Edward Dickinson	Requested	\$ 500.00	Awarded	\$ 242.00
Edward Dickinson	Requested	\$ 223.20	Awarded	\$ 223.20
Edward Dickinson	Requested	\$ 234.80	Awarded	\$ 234.80
Martin Francis	Requested	\$ 397.70	Awarded	\$ 397.70
Sigrun Haude	Requested	\$ 303.40	Awarded	\$ 303.40
Wendy Kline	Requested	\$ 448.00	Awarded	\$ 448.00
Thomas Sakmyster	Requested	\$ 325.00	Awarded	\$ 325.00
Hilda Smith	Requested	\$ 370.00	Awarded	\$ 370.00

**Research Travel Grant**

Sigrun Haude	Requested	\$3,500.00	Awarded	\$2,100.00
Christopher Phillips	Requested	\$ 640.40	Awarded	\$ 640.40
Thomas Sakmyster	Requested	\$1,125.00	Awarded	\$1,125.00
Hilda Smith	Requested	\$2,500.00	Awarded	\$2,100.00

**Summer Research Fellowship**

Christopher Phillips	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00
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**Summer Research Fellowship Supplement**

Christopher Phillips	Requested	\$1,500.00	Awarded	\$1,500.00
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**Center Fellowship**

Edward Dickinson	Requested	\$15,000.00	Awarded	\$15,000.00
Wendy Kline	Requested	\$15,000.00	Awarded	\$15,000.00

**PHILOSOPHY (13 FACULTY) 10 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$37,955.25****Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Christopher Gauker	Requested	\$1,862.85	Awarded	\$1,862.85
Thomas Polger	Requested	\$ 674.00	Awarded	\$ 674.00
Jenefer Robinson	Requested	\$2,500.00	Awarded	\$2,500.00

**Domestic Travel**

Lawrence Jost	Requested	\$ 400.00	Awarded	\$ 400.00
Robert Richardson	Requested	\$ 450.00	Awarded	\$ 450.00
Jenefer Robinson	Requested	\$ 363.40	Awarded	\$ 363.40
Robert Skipper	Requested	\$ 455.00	Awarded	\$ 455.00

**Research Travel Grant**

Robert Richardson	Requested	\$1,850.31	Awarded	\$1,250.00
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**Center Fellowship**

Robert Skipper	Requested	\$15,000.00	Awarded	\$15,000.00
Julian Wuerth	Requested	\$15,000.00	Awarded	\$15,000.00

**ROMANCE LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES (23 FACULTY) 12 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$23,380.00****Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Lowanne Jones	Requested	\$1,663.00	Awarded	\$1,163.00
Kathryn Lorenz	Requested	\$1,715.66	Awarded	\$1,215.00
Connie Scarborough	Requested	\$1,641.00	Awarded	\$1,141.00

**Domestic Travel Grant**

Therese Migraine George	Requested	\$ 348.00	Awarded	\$ 348.00
Fenfang Hwu	Requested	\$ 470.00	Awarded	\$ 470.00
Jeff Loveland	Requested	\$ 320.00	Awarded	\$ 320.00
Maria Paz Moreno	Requested	\$ 313.00	Awarded	\$ 313.00
Michele Vialet	Requested	\$ 410.00	Awarded	\$ 410.00

**Research Travel Grant**

Jeff Loveland	Requested	\$2,500.00	Awarded	\$2,500.00
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**Summer Research Fellowship**

Therese Migraine George	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00
Maria Paz Moreno	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00

**Summer Research Fellowship Supplement**

Maria Paz Moreno	Requested	\$1,500.00	Awarded	\$1,500.00
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**SOCIAL SCIENCES****ANTHROPOLOGY (6 FACULTY) – 6 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$10,320.90****Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Lynne Schepartz	Requested	\$1,553.56	Awarded	\$1,553.57
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**Domestic Travel Grant**

Lynne Schepartz	Requested	\$ 346.00	Awarded	\$ 346.00
Alan Sullivan	Requested	\$ 700.00	Awarded	\$ 700.00

**Research Travel Grant**

Martha Rees	Requested	\$ 721.34	Awarded	\$ 721.34
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**Faculty Release Fellowship**

Alan Sullivan	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$5,000.00
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**Faculty Release Fellowship Research Supplement**

Alan Sullivan	Requested	\$2,000.00	Awarded	\$2,000.00
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**ECONOMICS (12 FACULTY) 3 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$8,874.00****Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Nicolas Williams	Requested	\$2,101.00	Awarded	\$1,610.00
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**Domestic Travel Grant**

Nicholas Williams	Requested	\$ 264.00	Awarded	\$ 264.00
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**Summer Research Fellowship**

Christelle Viauroux	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00
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**POLITICAL SCIENCE (13 FACULTY) 15 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$27,793.90****Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Beth Walter Honadle	Requested	\$1,650.00	Awarded	\$1,650.00
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**Domestic Travel Grant**

George Bishop	Requested	\$ 700.00	Awarded	\$ 700.00
Mia Bloom	Requested	\$ 700.00	Awarded	\$ 700.00
Laura Jenkins	Requested	\$ 301.00	Awarded	\$ 426.00
Brian Lawson	Requested	\$ 188.40	Awarded	\$ 188.40
Michael Margolis	Requested	\$ 233.50	Awarded	\$ 233.50
Stephen Mockabee	Requested	\$ 176.00	Awarded	\$ 176.00
Joel Wolfe	Requested	\$ 345.00	Awarded	\$ 345.00

**Research Travel Grant**

James Stever	Requested	\$ 875.00	Awarded	\$ 875.00
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**Summer Research Fellowship**

Dinshaw Mistry	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00
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**Summer Research Fellowship Supplement**

Dinshaw Mistry	Requested	\$1,500.00	Awarded	\$1,500.00
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**Faculty Release Fellowship**

George Bishop	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$5,000.00
Laura Jenkins	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$5,000.00

**Faculty Release Fellowship Research Supplement**

George Bishop	Requested	\$2,000.00	Awarded	\$2,000.00
Laura Jenkins	Requested	\$2,000.00	Awarded	\$2,000.00

**SOCIOLOGY (15 FACULTY) 9 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$18,131.90****Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Steve Carlton Ford	Requested	\$3,101.00	Awarded	\$2,000.00
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**Domestic Travel Grant**

Sarah Beth Estes	Requested	\$ 489.20	Awarded	\$ 489.20
Steve Carlton Ford	Requested	\$ 437.70	Awarded	\$ 437.70
Angela Garcia	Requested	\$ 278.40	Awarded	\$ 278.40
Annulla Linders	Requested	\$ 293.40	Awarded	\$ 293.40
Jeffrey Timberlake	Requested	\$ 358.20	Awarded	\$ 358.20
Rhys Williams	Requested	\$ 278.00	Awarded	\$ 278.00

**Summer Research Fellowship**

Annulla Linders	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00
Jennifer Malat	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00

**SCIENCES****MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES (48 FACULTY) 23 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$42,633.50****Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Wlodzimierz Bryc	Requested	\$1,500.00	Awarded	\$1,500.00
Xiadong Lin	Requested	\$1,854.00	Awarded	\$1,854.00
Xiadong Lin	Requested	\$ 646.00	Awarded	\$ 646.00
Shuang Zhang	Requested	\$2,500.00	Awarded	\$1,920.00
Ning Zhong	Requested	\$1,200.00	Awarded	\$1,200.00

**Domestic Travel Grant**

Jintai Ding	Requested	\$ 700.00	Awarded	\$ 700.00
Donald French	Requested	\$ 700.00	Awarded	\$ 700.00
Charles Groetsch	Requested	\$ 331.00	Awarded	\$ 331.00
Zair Ibragimov	Requested	\$ 206.25	Awarded	\$ 206.25
Zair Ibragimov	Requested	\$ 363.75	Awarded	\$ 363.75
Anthony Leung	Requested	\$ 500.00	Awarded	\$ 500.00
Siva Sivaganesan	Requested	\$ 500.00	Awarded	\$ 500.00
Bing-Yu Zhang	Requested	\$ 327.00	Awarded	\$ 327.00
Bing-Yu Zhang	Requested	\$ 247.50	Awarded	\$ 247.50

**Research Travel Grant**

H. Scott Dumas	Requested	\$1,969.00	Awarded	\$1,778.00
Costel Peligrad	Requested	\$3,500.00	Awarded	\$3,000.00
Siva Sivaganesan	Requested	\$3,500.00	Awarded	\$3,500.00
Bing-Yu Zhang	Requested	\$1,360.00	Awarded	\$1,360.00



**Faculty Release Fellowship**

Donald French	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$5,000.00
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**Faculty Release Fellowship Supplement**

Donald French	Requested	\$2,000.00	Awarded	\$2,000.00
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**Summer Research Fellowship**

Xiadong Lin	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00
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Ning Zhong	Requested	\$7,000.00	Awarded	\$7,000.00
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**Summer Research Fellowship Supplement**

Xiadong Lin	Requested	\$1,000.00	Awarded	\$1,000.00
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**JUDAIC STUDIES (3 FACULTY) 3 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$2,048.00****Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Steven Bowman	Requested	\$1,800.00	Awarded	\$1,400.00
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**Domestic Travel Grant**

Eran Kaplan	Requested	\$ 230.00	Awarded	\$ 320.00
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Gila Safran Naveh	Requested	\$ 700.00	Awarded	\$ 328.00
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**RESEARCH SUPPORT  
SPECIAL REQUESTS  
2004 - 2005**

**Economics**

Claude Lopez	Requested	\$5,600.00	Awarded	\$5,600.00
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**English**

Stanley Corkin	Requested	\$1,500.00	Awarded	\$1,500.00
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**History**

Maura O'Connor	Requested	\$1,500.00	Awarded	\$1,500.00
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**Mathematical Sciences**

Wlodzimierz Bryc	Requested	\$3,100.00	Awarded	\$3,100.00
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Jintai Ding	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$5,000.00
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Magada Peligrad	Requested	\$3,200.00	Awarded	\$3,200.00
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Nageswari Shanmugalingam	Requested	\$5,200.00	Awarded	\$5,200.00
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Ning Zhong	Requested	\$5,400.00	Awarded	\$5,400.00
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**Sociology**

Jeffrey Timberlake	Requested	\$2,755.80	Awarded	\$2,755.80
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**RESEARCH SUPPORT  
LIBRARY PURCHASES  
2004 - 2005**

<b>Economics</b>		
Nicolas Williams	<i>Economics, Econometrics, and Finance</i>	\$ 8,940.00
<b>History</b>		
Martin Francis	<i>Times Digital Archives 1785-1900</i>	\$25,429.00

**RESEARCH SUPPORT  
COST SHARING AWARD  
2004 - 2005**

**English**

Lisa Hogeland	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$1,500.00
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**History**

Tracy Teslow	Requested	\$8,399.00	Awarded	\$8,399.00
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**Mathematical Sciences**

Jintai Ding	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$5,000.00
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Donald French	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$5,000.00
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Magda Peligrad	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$5,000.00
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Gary Weiss	Requested	\$10,000.00	Awarded	\$10,000.00
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**Philosophy**

Chris Cuomo	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$3,500.00
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**Sociology**

Jennifer Malat	Requested	\$5,000.00	Awarded	\$5,000.00
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**RESEARCH SUPPORT  
RESEARCH SEMINARS  
2005-2006**

**History**

Maura O'Connor

*New Approaches to the Study of Globalization*

\$14,500

**Mathematical Sciences**

Nageswari Shanmugalingam

*Geometric Analysis*

\$43,500

**Romance Languages and Literatures**

Nicasio Urbina

*Development and Meaning of Spanish and Spanish American Poetry*

\$43,500

**LECTURES  
2004 – 2005**

**Anthropology**

M. Anne Katzenberg, University of Calgary, (November 1, 2004) \$1,500  
*In Search of Past Diets*

Conrad Quintyn, (February 8, 2005) \$1,500  
*Forensic Anthropology and Archaeology*

**Economics**

Thomas Mann, the Brookings Institute, (October 28, 2004) \$3,000  
*The Economy and the 2004 Elections*

**English and Comparative Literature**

Lawrence Buell, Harvard University, (January 12-13, 2005) \$3,000  
*Writing the Environment*

**German Studies**

Julia Hell, University of Michigan, (February 4, 2005) \$1,500  
*Ruins of Modernity*

Lilian Weissberg, University of Pennsylvania, (March 3, 2005) \$1,500  
*No Place on Earth: The Berlin Jewish Salon Reconsidered*

**History**

Mrinalini Sinha, Penn State University, (April 14-15, 2005) \$3,000  
*How Indians Became Non-White: Hindus, Aryans, and Caucasians in the Age of Empire*  
*Myths about Empire (and why they are Dangerous for You)*

**Mathematical Sciences**

Avner Friedman, Mathematical Biosciences Institute, (November 18-19, 2004) \$1,500  
*How useful is Mathematics to the Biosciences?*  
*Mathematical Models in Tumor Growth*

Andrew Yao, Princeton University, (June 1-2, 2005) \$1,500  
*The Most Recent Development of the Theory of Computing*  
*The Theory of Computational Complexity*

**Philosophy**

William Ramsey, University of Notre Dame, (May 27, 2005) \$1,000  
*The Theory-Theory of Interpretation Understanding*

Karsten Stueber, College of Holy Cross (May 27, 2005) \$1,000  
*The Simulation Theory of Interpersonal Understanding*

**Political Science**

Richard Herrmann, the Mershon Center, (October 18, 2004) \$1,500  
*Deciding how to Defend America in an era of Globalization: What Determines the Strategy*

*American Leaders are to Choose?*

Charles O. Jones, University of Wisconsin, (May 17, 2005) \$1,500  
*The Presidency and Narrow-Margin Politics*

**Romance Languages and Literatures**

Rangira Bea Gallimore, University of Missouri, (May 13, 2005) \$1,500  
*Rwandan Women: Victims of the 1994 Genocide, Healers and Leaders (Pillars?) of Post-Genocide Rwanda: A Postcolonial Study*

Roberto Sosa, (May 13, 2005) \$1,500  
*En Los Márgenes De Mi Poesía Y Su Creación*

**Sociology**

Annette Lareau, Temple University, (January 13, 2005) \$3,000  
*Unequal Childhoods: How Race and Class Affect Children's Life Chances*

**COMPETITIVE LECTURES  
2004 - 2005**

**Economics**

Joseph Altonji, Yale University, (February 17, 2005) \$1,500  
*The Marginal Propensity to Spend on Adult Children*

**English and Comparative Literature**

Stephen Marc Smith, Herberger College of Fine Arts, (April 14, 2005) \$2,500  
*Passage on the Underground Railroad*

Neil Smith, CUNY, (October 26, 2005) \$2,000  
*The Geopolitics of Globalization*

**German Studies**

Rafael Medoff, David S. Wyman Institute for Holocaust Studies, (April 11, 2005) \$1,500  
*The White in the Race Movie Audience*

Jane Gaines, Duke University, (July 20-24, 2005) \$1,500  
*The White in the Race Movie Audience*

Jack Shaheen, Southern Illinois University, (July 20-24, 2005) \$1,500  
*Reel Images of Arabs: The Response to 9/11*

Guy Stern, Wayne State University, (May 10-11, 2005) \$1,000  
*The Ritchie Boys: An Unknown Story of WWII*

**History**

Constance Schulz, University of South Carolina, (January 18, 2005) \$2,000  
*Public History Programs Possibilities, Practicalities, and Pitfalls*

Boris Mironov, Russian Academy of Sciences, (January 19, 2005) \$1,500  
*Health and Well-Being in Imperial Russia: A Biological Perspective on Russia's Relationship to Europe*

Mark Bassin, University College London, (March 1, 2006) \$1,250  
*The Greening of Utopia: Nation and Nature in Stalinist Ideology*

John Mack Faragher, Yale University, (May 6, 2005) \$2,000  
*A Great and Noble Scheme: The Expulsion of the French Acadians from their American Homeland*

Catherine Portuges, University of Massachusetts, (May 20, 2005) \$1,500  
*The Holocaust in Eastern European Cinema*

Nicoletta Gullace, University of New Hampshire, (November 15, 2005) \$1,500  
*War Crimes or Atrocity Stories?: Anglo-American Narratives of Truth and Deception in Aftermath of World War I*



**Mathematical Sciences**

Andrew Chi-Chih Yao, Princeton University, (June 1-2, 2005) \$2,500  
*The Most Recent Development of the Theory of Computing*  
*The Theory of Computational Complexity*

**Philosophy**

Rosalind Hursthouse, University of Auckland, (April 2, 2005) \$2,000  
*Virtue Ethics Defended: The importance of Virtues in Character*

Nancy Cartwright, London School of Economics, (May 2006) \$3,000

**CONFERENCES**  
**2004 - 2005**

**Philosophy**

*Virtue Ethics vs. Kantian Ethics*

\$7,790

Organizer: Julian Wuerth

April 1-3, 2005, University of Cincinnati College of Law and Teacher's College, Hebrew Union College

**PUBLICATIONS**  
**2004 - 2005**

**Anthropology**

Alan Sullivan	Bibliographer & Illustrator	\$1,000.00
<i>Hinterlands and Regional Dynamics in the Ancient Southwest</i>		

**English**

John Drury	Reprints	\$1,000.00
<i>The Poetry Dictionary</i>		

Barbara Wenner	Index	\$ 738.50
<i>Prospect and Refuge in the Landscape of Jane Austen</i>		

**Judaic Studies**

Steven Bowman	Index	\$ 960.00
<i>Jewish Resistance in Wartime Greece</i>		

Eran Kaplan (for Elka Klein)	Index	\$1,000.00
<i>Community and King: Jews and Christian Society in Medieval Barcelona</i>		

**TAFT FACULTY EXECUTIVE BOARD  
2004 - 2005**

Brock Clark	English and Comparative Literature
Don Bogen	English and Comparative Literature
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**STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS  
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**Center Fellows**

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History

**Conferences and Lectures**

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Sociology  
History

**Faculty Fellowships**

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**Major Awards**

Richard Harknett (Chair)  
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Magda Peligrad  
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Political Science  
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Economics  
Mathematical Sciences  
German Studies  
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Political Science

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Jay Twomey (Chair)  
Jeffrey Timberlake  
Sung Eun Kim

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Sociology  
Mathematical Sciences

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Annulla Linders (Chair)  
Anke Biendarra  
Lowanne Jones

Sociology  
German Studies  
Romance Languages and Literatures

David Stradling  
Bing-Yu Zhang

History  
Mathematical Sciences

**Student Awards**

Alan Sullivan (Chair)  
John Alexander  
Katharina Gerstenberger  
Tracy Teslow  
Bill Whitmore

Anthropology  
History  
German Studies  
History  
Economics