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2005-2006 ANNUAL REPORT
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RESEARCH CENTER AND MEMORIAL FUND

This report details the first year of operation of the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center at the University of Cincinnati. In sum, our inaugural year as a research center was a significant success due to the creative oversight of the Faculty Executive Board, the substantive work of our standing review committees, and the excellent partnership and support of the Charles Phelps Taft Memorial Fund Trustees and the Administration of the University of Cincinnati. Our productivity and activity as a research center was substantial. Over the nine months between our ribbon-cutting ceremony at Taft House at Stratford Heights in September and our first Annual Research Symposium in May, the Taft Research Center competitively selected 300 awards for faculty, graduate and undergraduate students, hosted 27 lectures from an array of outstanding scholars, conducted two year-long research seminars and one quarter-based seminar with 7 visiting Taft Fellows from 5 countries, who resided at Taft House, and facilitated the multidisciplinary research exchange of 6 UC faculty, who served as our inaugural Taft Center Faculty Fellows as well as a range of other activities. The year culminated with the Taft Annual Research Symposium, which drew close to 1000 people over two days to our presentations and a celebration of the 75th Year anniversary of the Memorial Fund's distribution to the 'Humanities.'

As Faculty Chair, I am pleased to report that the transition from our distributive fund model of the past to our new research center configuration has now positioned the Taft disciplines within the McMicken College of Arts & Sciences for greater internal interaction among our scholars, more sustained exchange with the wider external academy, and higher profile overall that will enable our supported research and scholarship to have broader impact. In 2005-6, we properly leveraged our endowment support and laid the groundwork for the 'next 75 years' of Taft Memorial Fund history.

The remainder of this report summarizes the reporting of Standing Committee Chairs as well as Faculty Executive Board meetings.

I. Administration and Governance

The opening of the Taft Research Center presented a number of challenges, not least of which was to transition effectively from past practices. The first year of Center activity was also the seventy-fifth year of distribution from the Taft Memorial Fund. We, therefore, administratively had to maintain the quality of all our past practices, while developing mechanisms for managing new programs and new physical space, both of which produced unique demands.

Academic year 2005-6, represented a major increase in administrative and governance activity for the entire Faculty Executive Board and for the Taft Office staff. When the Center plan was accepted in 2004-5, we had decided to maintain the structure of governance that had been in place since 1989. This was an excellent decision as the Faculty Executive Board and Standing Committees operated quite effectively through this transition. Our default was to move new program oversight into existing committees and create new structures only where necessary. Thus, the new Taft Research Seminars with Visiting Fellows program was placed under the Research Support Committee and we re-configured faculty awards into two distinct committees: Faculty Travel Awards and Faculty Fellowships. A new Center Fellows selection committee was created, given the unique nature of the new Taft Center Fellows program (see below). All of the committees operated very well and we do not anticipate any structural adjustments at this time for new programs. One important point of note is the dedicated nature of the 31 faculty who serve on all of our committees. Taft committee service requires a significant time commitment to provide rigorous review of proposals and attentive program oversight. The service this year was excellent.

In total, the Faculty Executive Board met 10 times during the year, including special meetings held to discuss the conversion to the Center, the Taft Professor selection, and long-term budgeting. In general, the Board's activities this year focused on:

- Normal oversight of our programs and standing committees. (See Program Sections).
- Implementation of new Taft Research Center programs. (See Program Sections)
- Launching of the Annual Research Symposium and 75th anniversary celebration.
- Budget analysis in the context of the new Center configuration

Our standing committees held 20 formal meetings and many consultations.

The Executive Board and its committees were supported through the exceptional work of Joy Dunn, the Taft Secretary and Sr. Business Services Assistant. Simply put, the Taft Research Center would not have been launched successfully 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. With the addition of a residential component to the operations of the Taft Memorial Fund (Taft House with visiting scholars from both the Taft Center and the Classic department's Margot Tytus Scholars program), Joy's responsibilities grew significantly.

This year we initiated the Taft Center Graduate Fellow, who had two primary functions: one, to serve as House liaison with visiting scholars and Taft graduate residents and two, to support administrative program needs. The appointment required 10 hours per week. As Chair, I was attentive to these demands, however, the amount of support work regularly required more than the 10 hour allotment. Thus, while I as Chair picked up a significant amount of administrative burden, the Graduate Center Fellow also served the Center beyond his appointment requirements. Viorel Paslaru was an invaluable asset to the Taft Center in our first year and the Faculty Executive Board determined that his appointment should be extended for a second year. The concluding section of this report deals with administrative implications and plans regarding administering the Center effectively into the future.

The Faculty Chair continued the practice initiated in 2003 of meeting with the ten Taft Department Heads at the beginning of the year and added an end of year meeting held in June to prepare for 2005-6 and take stock on the first year of the Center.

The Taft Research Center was very well supported by the McMicken College of Arts & Sciences with development of our publicity materials. The Taft Research Center was highlighted in UC publications throughout the year, in speeches by President Nancy Zimpher and Dean Karen Gould, and in an A&S College Compact Disc produced for alumni. As Faculty Chair, I was also invited by Provost Tony Perzigian to make a presentation to the entire UC Board of Trustees. The profile of the Taft Research Center on and off campus was substantial and the support of the University's administration was critical.

Finally in terms of administrative activities, the Executive Board authorized the Faculty Chair to develop an annual 'Request for Taft Proposals' document that would provide an overview of all our programs and continue to build our profile. This was completed during the summer of 2006 and released as "*RFP Taft: request for proposals 2006.*" This will be updated annually and distributed electronically at the start of every academic year. The Board also authorized the Faculty Chair to review all website guidelines and create uniform cover sheets for all of our programs. This was also accomplished during the summer.

II. Student Programs (32% of the Fund)

Student Awards Committee

The Student Awards Committee for the 2005-2006 academic year consisted of the following faculty: Willard Sunderland, Chair (History); Don Bogen (English); Kelly Moore (Sociology); Charles Groetsch (Mathematics); Michele Vialet (Romance Languages and Literature). The Committee's budget totaled \$398,000. The committee met on 7 occasions during the academic year: twice during the fall term, twice during winter quarter, and three times in the spring. The business of the committee consisted of deliberations on applications for undergraduate and graduate grant applications. The following provides a breakdown of the committee's work in the relevant grant categories:

Advanced Graduate Fellowships:

The budget for AGFs for academic year 2005-2006 totaled \$199,000. Of this, \$100,000 was directed towards 8 Advanced Departmental Fellowships (ADF) (@\$12,500 each), \$24,000 was allocated for summer support for the

Advanced Departmental Fellowships (@\$3,000 each), and \$75,000 was provided to fund 6 competitive Advanced Departmental Fellowships. The committee approved the 8 candidates nominated for the departmental ADFs. In addition, it evaluated 18 nominations for the competitive ADFs, awarding 6, with the following distribution among departments: English (1), German (1), History (1), Math (1), Philosophy (1), Political Science (1).

Graduate Travel Awards

The budget for this category was \$20,000. For the year, the committee evaluated 44 applications. Of these, 30 were awarded from 7 departments with an allocation of \$17,480.58. The small remainder of budget allocation was re-allocated towards graduate and undergraduate enrichment awards.

Graduate Enrichment Awards

The budget for Graduate Enrichment was \$20,000. Over the year, the committee considered 30 proposals from students. Of these, 27 were funded from 7 departments at a \$44,843.30. The budget deficit in this category was covered through re-allocation of unexpended Department Enhancement Award money and Graduate Travel.

Graduate Enhancement Fellowships

The budget for Enhancement Fellowships was \$125,000. For the year, 62 graduate students across the ten Taft departments received some form of support through this program.

Undergraduate Enrichment Awards

Undergraduate Enrichment was allocated a budget line of \$20,000 for 2005-2006. The committee reviewed 34 applications in this category from students representing 9 departments. Of these, 27 were funded, providing awards totaling \$46,610. The budget overrun in this category was met by reallocation from the DEA budget line.

Summary

The Taft Research Center provides crucial support for graduate and undergraduate students in Taft departments. Because the graduate and undergraduate enrichment awards are flexible and can be used to support a wide variety of activities and projects, they are extremely popular. The demand of competitive proposals easily overwhelmed the \$40,000 allocated and a total of \$91,453 was spent, because funds were available from the DEA budget line. Given the high demand of quality proposals, the Committee recommended a review of the funding support for students with an eye toward increasing base support as well as levels of funding within awards (such as per diems), rather than relying on adhoc reallocation.

The committee was impressed by the high quality of student applications. The Committee recommended that efforts be undertaken to update some of its application forms, provide sample applications, and clarify some of the instructions and requirements on student awards that it provides through the Center website. These measures would help to streamline the application process, while offering students additional resources for ensuring that they submit competitive and polished applications. The Faculty Chair instituted these recommendations over the summer and met with both Graduate and Undergraduate Department Directors to walk them through new streamlined applications and encourage greater department review of draft proposals before they are submitted.

The Committee recommended changes to the Advanced Departmental Fellowships to underscore the prestige of these coveted awards and bring them to nationally competitive levels. The Executive Board voted to change the name of the award to the Charles Phelps Taft Dissertation Fellowship, which brings the award in line with national norms in how the award should be presented on vita. The Board also agreed to expand the Annual Symposium so that the Dissertation Fellows are provided a high profile event at which they can present their work. Finally, the

Board approved a budget proposal to increase the award by \$1000 per fellowship in 2007-8.

The Executive Board also took action, based on Committee discussions, to raise the profile and research experience of undergraduates and proposed creating in the 2007-8 academic year an undergraduate senior research thesis to parallel the Dissertation Fellowship programmatically. This new program was supported unanimously at the Board level and will be presented to the Taft Trustees in November 2006.

III. Faculty Awards (32% of the Fund)

Four distinct standing committees provide oversight and review of individual faculty awards: the Faculty Travel Committee administers 3 programs, the Faculty Fellowship Committee 2 programs, the Center Fellows committee 1 program, and the Publications Committee 2 programs. The four committee chairs' reports are summarized below.

A. Faculty Travel Awards Committee

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

Faculty Travel Awards supported three award categories: Research Travel Grants, International Conference Travel Awards and Domestic Travel Grants. The total budget for the travel awards was \$70,000.00. Due to increased demand in this category, an additional \$17,500 was allocated for Faculty Travel early in the year from unexpended DEA funds, giving rise to an available amount of \$87,500.00. This mid-year allocation proved insufficient to cover demand of quality proposals. The total spending in this category for the year was \$94,557.86, giving rise to a deficit of \$7,057.86, which was covered through re-allocation from Research Support cost-share monies that came available.

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. The initial budget for this category was \$12,500. These awards are limited to \$3,500 in any 24-month period. We received 14 proposals and were able to fund (totally or partially) 11 requests totaling \$24,933.00.

International Conference Travel Awards

Taft provides support for faculty members who are invited to make presentations at international academic meetings. The initial budget for this category was \$37,500. 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 41 proposals and were able to fund 40 requests (totally or partially) totaling \$52,394.61. This was a substantial increase in demand from the previous year.

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 39 proposals and funded all requests (totally or partially) totaling \$17,230.25.

Summary

The Committee concluded that the quality of invited presentations was quite high among Taft faculty, who continue

to build strong networks throughout their professional disciplines. In addition, important research requiring travel was conducted with Taft support. Had funds not been available from other budget categories, however, nearly half the proposals that met Travel award category standards would not have been funded. The Committee recommended that the Board conduct a review of base funding as well as funding within categories (per diem, for example) and requested increases. The committee also considered expanding coverage to include the role of discussants as a fundable category for conference travel. This recommendation was discussed at the Board level and concern was expressed that there existed significant variance across disciplines as to the amount of original research work that is related to the role. No Board action was taken in 2005-6 on this issue and it will remain an agenda item for discussion in 2006-7. The Board did recommend increases in Faculty Travel for 2007-8 pending Taft Trustee approval.

B. Faculty Fellowship Committee

The Faculty Fellowship Committee included Victor Kaftal, Chair (Mathematics); Brock Clarke (English); Christine Cuomo (Philosophy); Jennifer Malat (Sociology); Martha Rees (Anthropology).

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

These fellowships of \$5,000 paid directly to the Department allow a faculty member to be released from teaching for one quarter in order to pursue a specific research project. It is required that applicants obtain at least one additional quarter of release time (generally in the form of academic or professional leave). The budget for this award was 5 fellowships for a total of \$25,000. The number of FRF applications varies directly with the number of sabbaticals in any given year. This year the Committee received 8 applications for the 5 fellowships (3 Associate professors and 5 full Professors). The quality level of the applications was good and the committee awarded all 5 fellowships (3 to Associate Professors and 2 to Professors) and selected one alternate. One of the 5 awardees received an external fellowship and hence declined the FRF, which was then awarded to the alternate. In addition, the Committee awarded \$2,000 for one research supplement.

Summer Research Fellowships

This program provides twelve fellowships of \$6,500 to support faculty members' summer research endeavors. Of these up to 3 fellowships are set aside for untenured junior faculty in tenure-track positions who have never been awarded and/or used a Taft Summer Research Grant. The number of applications and the number of applicants qualifying for the set-aside pool fluctuates significantly from year to year. This pattern of variance continued in 2005-6: two years ago we had 25 applications, last year 17 applications and this year only 10 applications. This year there were applications from 3 Assistant Professors, 4 Associate Professors, and 3 Full Professors and they were all funded. It is important to note that the availability of funds was not a determining factor in committee decision-making; that is, had any of the ten proposals not been of necessary quality, the Committee would have rejected the proposal and transferred the unused fellowships back to the Board for potential reallocation. In addition, the Committee awarded a total of \$8,350 in research supplements for specific project costs.

Summary

The main planning issue under discussion was whether a decrease in the amount of the Summer Faculty Fellowship (when the Center's budget was reconfigured the fellowship was dropped to \$6500 from \$7000) had contributed to the decline in applications. While there was no way to verify this possibility, it was noted that the Taft Summer Research Fellowship had dropped significantly below the University Research Council's Summer Fellowship. In part to make these fellowships more attractive to our faculty and retain the program's profile, the Committee recommended and the full Board approved an increase of the stipend to \$8,000 as part of the 2007-8 budget proposal.

C. Taft Center Fellows Committee

Given the high profile nature of the Center Fellows program and its unique objective of encouraging a multidisciplinary environment at the Taft Research Center, the Center Fellows Committee membership is established through by-law procedures. The Faculty Chair nominates candidates from a pool of previous Fellows. Selection of the 2006-7 fellows, however, required a transitional structure since the pool had yet to become available. The Faculty Chair nominated a list of distinguished faculty with records of significant scholarship and the Executive Board appointed: Barbara Ramusack (Taft Professor, History), Armando Romero (Taft Professor, RLL), Timothy Hodges (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 selection was very difficult given the caliber of the applicants. The 2006-7 fellows will be: Russel Durst (English), *Founding Figures in Composition Studies*; Sigrun Haude (History), *Survival During the 30 Years' War (1618-1648)*; Thomas Moore (Political Science), *China, East Asia, and Regional Order in an Era of Globalization*; Debashis Pal (Economics), *Why are the Optimal Contracts Not Used? Understanding the Divergence Between Optimal and Conventional Contracts*; Vernon Scarborough (Anthropology), *How to Interpret an Ancient Landscape*; Richard Schade (German Studies), *Gunter Grass's Graphic Art and Literary Texts*. The 2006-7 budget for this category was fully allocated at \$91,050.

Summary

The inaugural year of the Center Fellows program was a significant success. The six fellows met regularly at Taft House in lunch seminars and finished the year convinced that they would continue their cross-disciplinary professional exchange as they returned to their departments. This is a critical aspect of the program and the success of creating a multidisciplinary cohort rested primarily on the seriousness of purpose which all six Center fellows displayed through the year. Across the six fellows, the research productivity was exceptional. Two books are under review at prestigious publishers and six refereed articles have been completed at the time of this report with three already accepted for publication and two book chapters accepted as well.

D. Publications Committee (0.8% of the Fund)

The Publications Committee consisted of Jana Braziel (English and Comparative Literature), Tara Smith (Mathematics), and Jeffrey Timberlake, who served as Chair (Sociology). The Committee evaluates support for direct publication subvention and subsidies for indexing, translations, the preparation of photos, illustrations, and maps, and accompanying copyrights. In the academic year 2005-2006 the Committee received four applications. One was rejected because the book for which the subvention was requested had already been published. The other three applications were approved for a total of \$3,588.00 in disbursements. Martha Rees, (Anthropology) *Women's Work is Never Done: Community and Migration in Oaxaca, Mexico* and two awards to Steven Bowman for different publication aspects of *The Agony of Greek Jewry During World War II*.

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

A. Research Support

The Research Support Committee consisted of Claude Lopez (Economics), Robert Richardson (Philosophy), David Stradling (History), Nicasio Urbina (Romance Languages), and was chaired by Lucille Schultz (English). The committee had four meetings (October, January, February, April), during which it reviewed eleven applications: three for cost-sharing, six for research support, and two for research seminars. While some of these proposals required revision, all were judged excellent and all were funded.

Cost-Sharing Awards

We received three requests for cost-sharing (all from History) and we funded all of them. Two constituted matching funds (salary replacement), one for a Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellowship, and one for a study funded in part by the American Institute of Indian Studies. This second project will be conducted from mid-October 2006 to mid-March 2007 in three cities in India: New Delhi, Bangalore, and Chennai.

The third cost-sharing award supported matching funds for a major grant application to the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH); this project is entitled, "Nation, Family, State: Women's Political Writings, a Web-Based Research and Teaching Resource." Total cost: \$28,065.

Research Support

This award category is aimed at underwriting expenses associated with faculty research through (1) department allocations, (2) special requests for research, and (3) special requests for library purchases.

Of the special requests for research, four involved bringing scholars to campus for collaborative research. Length of stay for each visiting research collaborator ranged from two to ten weeks and often included a seminar or workshop presented by the visitor. Two of the four requests were from Mathematics, two from Economics. The Committee was impressed with the caliber of the visiting scholars, who are highly distinguished in their fields and come to UC from Germany, France, and Poland.

The two requests in this category for major library purchases were from English and History. The requests, both of which were funded, provided significant additions to UC's microfilm holdings of the Mass-Observation Archive (one of the most important resources for the study of the political, social and cultural history of 20th-century Britain), and for parts of the Gay Rights Movement microfilm series (making UC the only university in Ohio to house this valuable collection of primary documents). The total cost of these six awards was \$88,140. It is important to note that Taft support of the library purchases leveraged matching UC library budget expenditures to enable the library to purchase more of the collections sought by Taft researchers.

Research Seminars

We received two requests for research seminars, one from Romance Languages and one from Mathematics. While one of the requests required revising to accommodate Taft guidelines, both proposals were judged excellent and were funded. Both proposals involved prominent visitors and a critical mass of UC faculty (from several departments) and students.

The seminar from Romance Languages is entitled "Racism in French and Francophone Literatures" and will bring these scholars to UC: Professor Clarissa Zimra (Southern Illinois U), Professor Lucy Stone McNee (University of Connecticut), Professor Rangira Bea Gallimore (University of Missouri)

The seminar from Mathematics is entitled "Analysis and Control of Nonlinear Dispersive Wave Equations" and will bring these scholars to UC: Professor Shu-Ming Sun (Virginia Tech), Professor Lionel Rosier (University of Nancy, France), Professor Vilmos Komornik (University Louis Pasteur, Strasbourg).

The total cost for the two seminars was allocated at \$83,950.

Summary

The first year of the Taft Research Seminar exceeded our expectations in terms of the collaborations created between Taft faculty and students and external visiting Taft Fellows. All involved reported significant progress on research and collaborative efforts.

B. Conferences and Lectures Committee (6.5% of the Fund)

The committee consisted of Thomas Moore, Chair (Political Science), Sara Beth Estes (Sociology), Carlos Gutierrez (Romance Languages and Literature), and Sigrun Haude (History). 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 three proposals for conferences. First, the committee selected a proposal from the Economics department, cosponsored by the Economics department and the Institute for Applied Economic Research, to host the *16th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Econometrics Group* in October 2006. Taft supported an award of \$7,400 for this conference. Second, the committee selected a proposal from the Philosophy department for a conference on *Two More Decades of Scientific Explanation*, held in May 2006. Taft supported an award of \$6,400 for this conference. Third, the committee selected a proposal from the Mathematical Sciences department to host the *Great Plains Operator Theory Symposium* in May 2008. With an award of \$7,000 from Taft, Mathematical Sciences will seek matching funds from the National Science Foundation, the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications, and various UC sources.

Summary

The demand for competitive lectures remained high, with the committee supporting 12 lectures through our competitive fund. The competitive lectures came from eight different Taft departments. Significantly, in both the categories of conferences and competitive lectures, the committee received proposals that successfully leveraged Taft money with additional non-Taft funds in order to have a wider impact and/or bring to campus significant scholars.

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), George Gibson Carey (representing the Trustees).

The main effort of the committee in 2005-6 was the selection of a new Taft Professor to replace the retiring Patricia Hill Collins (Sociology). The committee began its efforts in June with a call for applications with a deadline of August. The Committee's initial review was of ten files that were truly representative of the high quality of scholarship that exists in the Taft departments. In September, the committee agreed to solicit extensive outside letters of review and recommendation for five of the nominated professors. In October/November, the committee met again and reviewed the complete dossiers of the short-listed candidates and took to the Executive Board the unanimous recommendation of Robert C. Richardson from the Department of Philosophy for the position. Professor Richardson was formally appointed as a Charles Phelps Taft Professor by the University Board of Trustees at their Winter meeting. Prof. Richardson will give his Taft Professor lecture in October 2006.

The second program under the oversight of the Major Awards Committee is the Department Enhancement Award. For the second time in four years, the program generated no applications (last year there was only one application and it was deemed unacceptable). In the Spring of 2005, the Executive Board had reviewed the program and raised the issue of reconsidering the program's objectives now that the Center had been created. It was determined at that time to allow one additional round of proposals. The lack of any proposals despite Taft Executive Board encouragement led to a second major review this past Spring 2006. The Executive Board voted unanimously to suspend the program for 2006-7 and reinvest the DEA's budget line of \$135,000 in a new program of direct enhancement of all ten Taft department's undergraduate student research efforts and reallocate DEA money to support programs vital to faculty research. The Executive Board's budget proposal for 2007-8 thus requests that the Taft Trustees close the DEA program.

Overall, the DEA program produced important enhancements and program successes. Critically, however, the structure of the award assumed that Taft money would seed institutional support that would sustain programs after the Taft grant. Departments have increasingly dedicated their resources to sustaining programs already in place and have not had the means to consider major expansion or creation of new programming. The investment in time and effort to meet the standards of the DEA was significant. The creation of the Taft Center, however, is now meeting many of the objectives originally contemplated under the DEA program. Thus, the Board concluded that a shift in the investment of Taft money toward programming within the Center and directly enhancing department efforts will produce significant benefits, enhanced profile, and substantive results for Taft faculty and students.

In 2005-6, there were two DEA awards entering their second year of Taft-funded allocations. The *Applied Economics Research Institute* (AERI) of the Department of Economics continued to make very good progress. Some of its accomplishments included the following: AERI accepted the responsibility of conducting the monthly survey that

determines the value of the Purchasing Managers Index, interpreting the results, and publishing a comprehensive report on the economy of the Cincinnati region; AERI started a paid internship arrangement with the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland. and significantly, the Department of Economics received approval to hire an Urban and Regional Economist at the Assistant Professor level. An important influence on the Dean's decision to approve of this hire was the demonstrated success of AERI in the academic area. Graduate students working in AERI have received valuable hands-on training, followed by very competitive job offers after completion of the MA degree. Indeed, the Economics Department's goal is to make Urban and Regional an area of concentration in the MA program.

The second DEA receiving money this year was the *Program in Security and Governance* administered out of the Department of Political Science. Progress was made on the curricular and facilitation objectives of the grant as the core faculty continued to develop the network necessary to sustain the program into the future. A Certificate in Security Studies was launched and in the first year of operation three students were able to earn the certificate. Significant time was dedicated to developing cross college coordination and an external partner agreement with Butler Tech to help manage courses for first responders in the context of Homeland Security. Implementation is expected in 2007-8. Additionally in support of curriculum development, the groundwork was established for an internship placement with the Army Corps of Engineers for 2007-8. The program continued to develop its facilitation role across local, state, and federal agencies dedicated to Homeland Security. Planning was completed on an Ohio River Corridor Security Conference to be held at UC that will involve five different government agencies. One of the critical aspects of the original proposal was a college commitment to a new assistant professor in national security affairs. Taft money worked successfully to leverage that commitment, however, at the end of 2005-6 the line was vacated. Given the university's budget constraints this year, the College and the Taft Board agreed to a bridge plan replacement, so that the original commitment of the College will be sustained and current certificate courses can be met through adjunct instruction. A tenure-track hire will then take place for September 2009.

V. The Budget

In last year's annual report under our Budget section, the Faculty Chair concluded, "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." This assessment served as the basis of a full program budget review that examined the number of applications and awards over the previous five year period across all of our competitive award categories. This was combined with a final program review of the Department Enhancement Award. The unanimous conclusion of the Board was to reinvest the budget line associated with our least competitive award (DEA, which also was our largest single budget line) into a new department enhancement for undergraduate research and into categories that had not seen increases in four or more years. Through careful re-allocation, the Board developed a 2007-8 budget proposal to be taken to the Taft Trustees that allows creation of a new program and enhancement of six existing programs without increasing the annual distribution from its level in 2006-7 as per agreement with the Trustees in opening the Center. The Board is examining a budget proposal process that would enable it to provide the Trustees with multiple year projections for planning purposes. Total 2005-6 expenditures were \$1,244,020.80.

VI. Taft House: the residential component of the Taft Research Center

Along with the launch of new Center-based programming, 2005-6 saw the physical location of the Taft office move from a single office in Old Chemistry to the multi-storied Taft House at Stratford Heights. The House allowed for the Chair and Taft Secretary to be co-located finally and for all standing committees and the Executive Board to meet with on-site staff support. Importantly, the Taft lecture room, library room, and seminar room provided the physical manifestation of a burgeoning intellectual community. The House hosted over thirty organized academic events during the year, culminating in the Annual Research Symposium. Also critical to the success of our programming was the co-location of all six Center Faculty Fellows in a suite of offices in French Hall. The selection of French Hall was originally made since no Taft departments were located in the building and thus, the fellows could maximize their multi-disciplinary interactions without being pulled into department discourse. This proved a major success with all fellows agreeing that the separation was critical to their research progress. Overall, the physical infrastructure of the Taft Center, in its first

year, supported the development of a true intellectual “sense of place.”

One important component of the entire Center conversion effort was to enable a Taft intellectual community to develop through residential living. In 2005-6, seven new Visiting Taft Faculty Fellows shared a living experience with six Taft Graduate students and visiting faculty from the Margo Tytus Scholars program associated with the Semple Fund and UC’s Classics Department. Each of the visiting faculty found the experience rewarding.

Administration of the Taft House residence, particularly in the context that it was a newly constructed building and under the management of a new company presented the staff of the Center (faculty chair, secretary, and part-time graduate fellow) with many challenges. Overall, the staff was required to dedicate a significant portion of time to the residential component. In 2006-7, this effort will be aided with a new graduate assistantship assigned to the Center. It will take several years to develop this program to its fullest potential, but given the promise of a successful first year of operation, the Board is confident that the residential component will become a signature feature of the Taft Center with wide disciplinary recognition.

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. Typically, toward the end of each year, over-expenditures in one category are covered by under-expenditures in others with any residue reverting to the Chair’s contingency. As authorized when the Center proposal was first presented, the fund was used primarily in 2005-6 to support start-up costs associated with the conversion to the Center. In addition, the Faculty Chair provided support for a lecture partnering with the Institute for Policy Research at UC on Non-profit organizations and a forum with the Cincinnati World Affairs Council on Nuclear Weapons and Security Issues. The fund was also used to conduct the archival research and writing of a History of the Taft Memorial Fund, which will be published in 2007.

VIII. Conclusion

The first year of the Taft Research Center corresponded with the 75th year of distribution from the Charles Phelps Taft Memorial Fund. Our culminating event held on May 3-4, 2006 to celebrate these two milestones revealed the accomplishments of many years and the true promise of the future. Over 1000 people attended Taft research and lecture events over the two days providing us a profile at and for the University of Cincinnati that heretofore had been missing. The most significant accomplishment of the year, however, was less public but ultimately more important in meeting the mission laid out by our benefactor Annie Sinton Taft many years ago – a sense of intellectual community across the Taft disciplines started to lay roots. The first year of Taft Research Center operations has given us confidence about the future of the ‘Humanities’ at the University of Cincinnati. We have much still left to do in establishing the Center, but 2005-6 was a very good start.

Respectfully submitted to the Trustees of the Charles Phelps Memorial Fund,

Richard J. Harknett, PhD.

Faculty Chair, Executive Board of the

Charles Phelps Taft Research Center and Memorial Fund

TAFT MEMORIAL FUND BUDGET FOR 2005-06

(2004-05 budget for informational purposes)

			<u>2004-05</u>	<u>2005-06</u>	<u>Awards</u>
Conferences & Lectures	7%				
Lecture Hosting		\$	(3,700.00)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,987.25
Lecture Publicity		\$	(1,400.00)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
Departmental Allocation	10 @ \$3,000	\$	30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 27,600.00
Competitive Lectures		\$	20,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 18,855.56
Conferences		\$	20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 19,400.00
Annual Symposium		\$	-	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Total		\$	70,000.00	\$ 82,000.00	\$ 78,842.81
Faculty Awards	32%				
Summer Research Fellowships	12 @ \$6,500	\$	84,000.00	\$ 78,000.00	\$ 65,000.00
Faculty Release Fellowships	5 @ \$5,000	\$	40,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Research Supplements		\$	-	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 16,350.00
old-CFF research supplements		\$	10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
old-Research grant supplements		\$	10,500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Conference Travel & Research Travel		\$	50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 77,327.61
Fringe Benefits for Research Grants (Student Rate 4.5%)		\$	3,780.00	\$ -	\$ -
Domestic Travel		\$	20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 17,230.25
Center Fellows		\$	-	\$ 91,050.00	\$ 90,282.37
Taft Research Seminars		\$	-	\$ 132,000.00	\$ 103,000.00
Total		\$	218,280.00	\$ 407,550.00	\$ 389,190.23
Major Awards	12%				
Departmental Enhancement Awards		\$	150,000.00	\$ 135,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Taft Professors	5 @ \$4,000	\$	20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Total		\$	170,000.00	\$ 155,000.00	\$ 120,000.00
Publications	1%				
Subventions		\$	10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,588.00
Taft House Library Binding		\$	-	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
Total		\$	10,000.00	\$ 11,200.00	\$ 3,588.00
Research Support	14%				
Departmental Allocated	10 @ \$ 4,000	\$	50,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Special Requests		\$	100,000.00	\$ 96,000.00	\$ 88,140.00
Cost Sharing		\$	50,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 28,065.00
Total		\$	200,000.00	\$ 181,000.00	\$ 156,205.00
Student Awards	32%				
Advanced Departmental Fellowships	8 @ \$12,500	\$	100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 87,500.00
Summer Support	8 @ \$ 3,000	\$	24,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 21,000.00
Advanced Competitive Fellowships	6 @ \$12,500	\$	75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 87,500.00
Fringe Benefits for Fellowships (Student Rate 4.5%)		\$	8,955.00	\$ -	\$ -
Graduate Enhancement Fellowships		\$	125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00
Graduate Student Travel		\$	20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 17,480.58
Graduate Enrichment		\$	20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 44,843.30
Grad Fellows Colloquium		\$	-	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 444.41
Taft Center Grad Fellowship		\$	-	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
Undergraduate Enrichment Awards		\$	20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 46,610.59
Total		\$	392,955.00	\$ 398,000.00	\$ 442,878.88
Miscellaneous	2%				
Staff Compensation		\$	13,476.16	\$ 16,748.00	\$ 19,765.92
Fringe Benefits for Staff (36%)		\$	5,592.60	\$ 7,621.00	\$ 8,993.44
Chair's Contingency		\$	696.00	\$ 381.00	\$ 18,356.73
Supplies/Office		\$	(1,170.00)	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 6,199.79
Total		\$	19,764.76	\$ 26,250.00	\$ 53,315.88
Total		\$	1,080,999.76	\$ 1,261,000.00	\$ 1,244,020.80

**DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIPS
2006-07**

English and Comparative Literature

Kirk Boyle Competitive
Project Title: *Naturalized Disasters: Literary Re-presentations of Politico-Economic Catastrophism*

Kevin Oberlin Departmental
Project Title: *An Excellent Chance of Tomorrow: Poems, and Manmade: Masculinity and the Male Body in Contemporary American Poetry*

German Studies

Susanne Koch Departmental
Project Title: *Wolfgang Koeppen's Trilogy from the 1950s*

Renate Sturdevant Competitive
Project Title: *Works by Else Lasker-Schüler, Nelly Sachs, and Barbara Honingmann*

History

Feay Coleman Competitive
Project Title: *The Palmy Days of Trade: Richard Richardson and Anglo-American Culture in Savannah, 1800 to 1830*

Robert Gioielli Departmental
Project Title: *Heavy Metals and Hard Asphalt: Urban Environmentalism in Postwar America*

Mathematical Sciences

Chris Camfield Departmental
Project Title: *Effects of Gromov-Hausdorff Convergence on Analytical Objects*

Bogdan Visinescu Competitive
Project Title: *Extensions of C*-algebras*

Philosophy

Giovanni Mion Competitive
Project Title: *Knowledge and Objectivity*

Cassie Striblen Departmental
Project Title: *Recognizing Collective Responsibilities*

Political Science

Christine Haberl Departmental
Project Title: *Antidumping as Protectionism: The Effects on the Accused Company*

Jessica Johnson Competitive
Project Title: *Racial Worldview and Religious Interpretation in American Political Behavior*

Romance Languages and Literature

Sandra Alzate Departmental
Project Title: *Manuel Zapata Olivella: La historia disfrazada de novela.*

Sociology

David Purcell

Departmental

Project Title: *Race and Class at Work: Examining Cultural Capital in the Corporate Workplace*

**GRADUATE TRAVEL AWARDS
2005 - 2006**

Anthropology

Sheli Delaney San Juan \$500
Project Title: *Migrantes y Casa: Relaciones e Historias EE.U.U./Oaxaca (Migrants and Home: Relations and Stories from the US/Oaxaca)*

English and Comparative Literature

Anuradha Chatterjee India \$500
Project Title: *Dialog Across Cultures*

Joseph Alex Debonis California \$440
Project Title: *Ruin and All Hell; Chaos Theory and Connectedness in Cormac McCarthy's All The Pretty Horses*

Darrin Doyle Texas \$500
Project Title: *She was Supposed to Say Lines She Would Never Say*

Cynthia Arrieu King Texas \$500
Project Title: *Provocation for Third Person Internal and Other Challenges*

Kelcey Parker Texas \$500
Project Title: *The Writing-and More Writing-Workshop*

Sarah Perrier Texas \$365
Project Title: *The Workshop Midterm*

Madhudaya Sinha United Kingdom \$500
Project Title: *Triangular Erotics: Africa, Hunting, and the Feminine Other in Rider Haggard's She*

Suzanne Warren Texas \$500
Project Title: *Teacher as Trickster: The Uses of Mischief in the Fiction Workshop*

History

Aaron Cowan Florida \$370
Project Title: *Safe at Home: Sports, Stadiums, Urban Renewal, and Middle-Class Tourism in Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, and St. Louis*

Robert Gioielli Minnesota \$500
Project Title: *A Real Tragedy and a Desecration of our Heritage: The BASF Controversy and Environmentalism in the New South*

Philosophy

Giovanni Mion South Carolina \$500
Project Title: *The Whorf Hypothesis: Conceptual and Empirical Issues*

Viorel Paslaru Canada \$463
Project Title: *An Analysis of Functions in Ecosystems*

Cassie Striblen	Finland	\$500
Project Title: <i>Guilt, Shame and Collective Responsibility</i>		
Matthew Van Cleave	California	\$500
Project Title: <i>A Critique of Mandler's Argument for Prelinguistic Concepts</i>		
Political Science		
Irina Bazarya	New York	\$500
Project Title: <i>The Phenomenon of Chechen Female Black Widows Becoming a Suicide Bomber</i>		
Ivan Dinev Ivanov	California	\$500
Project Title: <i>Nato Expansion in an Imbalanced International System</i>		
Jessica Johnson	Chicago	\$210
Project Title: <i>Moral Progressivism: A Solution to the Problem of Political Extremes</i>		
Anil Pillai	Chicago	\$200
Project Title: <i>Containing Nuclear Proliferation and Dilemmas of International Non Proliferation Regimes: A Comparative Study of South Asia and the Middle East</i>		
A. Tolga Turker	California	\$500
Project Title: <i>Can Nationalism and Nation-State Survive the Processes of Globalization: The United Kingdom and the Turkish Republic</i>		
Romance Languages and Literature		
Adriana Gordillo	Puerto Rico	\$500
Project Title: <i>Imagen de la mujer centroamericana en dos novelas del siglo XX: Ese que Homan y Undia en lovida</i>		
Arturo Gutierrez	Nicaragua	\$500
Project Title: <i>Poetry Reading and Round Table on Latin American Poetry</i>		
Anne-Marie Jequequel	New Hampshire	\$400
Project Title: <i>Dans le secret des mots de Louise Dupré La mère, un espace indéchiffrable</i>		
Maria Ines Ortiz	Texas	\$430
Project Title: <i>Discurso gastronomico, discurso del poder: Critica a la dictadura franquista en Nada de Carmen Laforet</i>		
Julio Quintero	Puerto Rico	\$432
Project Title: <i>Hector Rojas herazo como autor de relatos cortos (Hector Rojas Herazo as a short story writer)</i>		
Marcelo Rioseco	Nicaragua	\$500
Project Title: <i>Poetry Reading and Round Table on Latin American Poetry</i>		
Maria Carolina Rueda	Switzerland	\$500
Project Title: <i>VISITAS: Feature Film</i>		

Sociology

Hara Bastas California \$500

Project Title: *Feminist Disruptions to Hegemonic Virginity Pledges*

Lisa Fisher Canada \$500

Project Title: *Family Processes and Children's Well-Being in Alcoholic Homes: Toward a Sociologically-Informed Research Agenda*

Jene Grandmont Boston \$370

Project Title: *An Analysis of Cohabitation in Ohio*

**GRADUATE ENRICHMENT AWARDS
2005 – 2006**

Anthropology

Hayes Banschbach	Arizona	\$2,430
Project Title: <i>Testing Models of Navajo Activity in the Upper Basin Area of Kaibab National Forest</i>		
Jeffrey Brewer	Belize	\$2,500
Project Title: <i>House Mound Survey and Excavation at the Medicinal Trail Site, Northwest Belize</i>		
Carrie Castle	Cincinnati	\$ 610
Project Title: <i>The Cultures of Interpreting</i>		
Brittney Howell	Peru	\$2,500
Project Title: <i>The Acari Valley Archaeological Project 2006 Field Season: Archaeological Excavations at the Early Intermediate Period Site of Amato, Peru</i>		
Kevin Magee	Arizona	\$2,430
Project Title: <i>Ground Truthing Predictive Spectral Models</i>		
Carmen McCormick	Arizona & Belize	\$2,500
Project Title: <i>Upper Basin Archaeological Research Project (Arizona) Social Archaeological Research Program (Belize)</i>		
Jason Whitaker	Belize	\$2,500
Project Title: <i>Housemound Excavation at Medicinal Trail Site, Northwest Belize</i>		
English Language and Comparative Literature		
Sarah Domet	New York	\$1,330
Project Title: <i>Killing the Angel: A Collection of Short Stories</i>		
Darren Doyle	New York	\$1,330
Project Title: <i>The Big Baby Crime Spree and Other Delusions (A Collection of Short Stories)</i>		
Julie Gerk Hernandez	San Francisco	\$2,135
Project Title: <i>The Human Rights Novel</i>		
Cynthia King	Virginia	\$ 571
Project Title: <i>People are Tiny in Portraits of China</i>		
Katherine Polak	Cincinnati	\$ 301
Project Title: <i>University of Cincinnati Digital Audio Poetry Archive</i>		
Suzanne Warren	New York	\$2,155
Project Title: <i>A Workshop in Memoir and the Personal Essay with Phillip Lopate</i>		
German Studies		
Julia K. Baker	Germany	\$2,500
Project Title: <i>Remembrance to Renewal: The Challenges and Rewards of Coordinating an Interfaith School Project in Oberwesel, Germany</i>		

History

Aaron Cowan Missouri \$ 597
 Project Title: *From Cities of Work to Cities of Play: The Expansion of Urban Tourism in the United States, 1945-1985*

Aaron Cowan Maryland \$ 678
 Project Title: *A Nice Place to Visit: Tourism and the Transformation of American Cities*

Robert Gioielli Colorado \$ 593
 Project Title: *Our Most Valued Possession: Community Visions of the Modern Environmental Movement*

Mathematics

Chris Camfield Italy \$2,200
 Project Title: *Effects of Gromov-Hausdorff Convergence on Sets of Finite Perimeter in Metric Measure Spaces*

Political Science

Alionescu Ciprian Bulgaria \$1,200
 Project Title: *Varna Summer Session 2006*

Ivan Dinev Ivanov Washington, DC \$2,363
 Project Title: *Nato's Transformation in an Imbalanced Distribution of Power*

Daniela Iona Pisoiu European Union \$2,500
 Project Title: *On the Fringes of Integration: The Radicalization of Muslims in Western Europe*

Romance Languages and Literatures

Erica Cefalo Brazil \$2,500
 Project Title: *Contemporary Franco-Brazilian Cultural Connection*

Rosario Davis France \$2,500
 Project Title: *Summer Classes at Pau University*

Jacqueline Decembly Brazil \$2,500
 Project Title: *Discovering Afro-Brazilian culture through Candomble*

Elisabet Rodriguez El Salvador \$1,350
 Project Title: *The Impact of Global Economic Policies on Salvadorean Culture and Society*

Arne Romanowski Brazil \$2,500
 Project Title: *Anthropophagy and Manifestations of Brazilian Identity Formation: A Study of Popular Culture*

Paul Toure New York \$2,500
 Project Title: *The School of Criticism and Theory, 30th Summer Session*

**GRADUATE ENHANCEMENT
2005 – 2006**

Anthropology

Pamela Vierheller	\$4,807
Sarah Stoutamire	\$4,807

Economics

Shruti Dash	\$3,346
Erin Kessler	\$3,346
Jose Tejada	\$3,346
Daniel Velazquez	\$3,346
Sushmitha Balasubramania	\$3,346
Eduardo Saucedo	\$3,112

English Language and Comparative Literature

Jody Bates	\$2,000
Kathryn Bunthoff	\$2,000
Alex DeBonis	\$2,000
Julie Gerk-Hernandez	\$2,000
Cynthia King	\$2,000
George Potter	\$2,000
Charles Green	\$3,000
Daniel Smith	\$3,000
Rachel Wartman	\$2,000
Stephen Criniti	\$2,000
Darrin Doyle	\$2,000

German Studies

Susanne Koch	\$1,000
Silke Schade	\$1,000
Renate Sturedevant	\$1,000
Erik Urbaniak	\$1,000
Alexandra Hagen	\$1,500

History

Gregory Jason Bell	\$3,000
Catherine Collopy	\$4,500
Robert Gioielli	\$3,000

Mathematical Sciences

Chen Chen	\$1,000
Luisette Corpuz	\$1,000
Le Kang	\$1,000
Zubari Khan	\$1,000
Woosuk Kim	\$1,000
Caroline Kren wtr/sprng cx 11/18	\$ 333
Mauricio Osoriolema	\$1,000
Onur Saglam	\$1,000
Hongjun Wang	\$1,000
Yan Sun	\$1,000

Xiaopei Wang	\$1,000
Crystal Updegrove	\$1,000
Tina Hunter Moreman	\$1,000
Muhammad Usman	\$1,000
John Wagner	\$1,000
Huaizhou Wang	\$1,000
Bogdan Visinescu	\$1,500
Zeynep Teymuroglu	\$2,000
Dorj Badamdorj	\$2,500
Tamer Oraby	\$2,500
Kaidi Zhang	\$1,500
David Freeman	\$1,000
Raluca Dumitri	\$1,000
Chris Camfield	\$ 967
John Baena-Giraldo	\$ 667
Philosophy	
Viorel Paslaru	\$5,100
Political science	
Robert Nestheide	\$3,066
Tiest Sondaal	\$3,066
Aileen Wang	\$3,066
Romance Languages and Literatures	
Desire Turner	\$5,000
Julio Quintero	\$5,000
Yann Gaboriau	\$5,000
Sociology	
Rose Clark Hitt	\$1,000
Yan Cui	\$1,000
Molly Hazelton	\$1,000

**UNDERGRADUATE ENRICHMENT AWARDS
2005 - 2006**

Anthropology

Melissa Harlan Ireland \$2,000
Project Title: *The Archaeology of Rural Life in Post-Medieval Ireland*

Alexandra Naim Spain \$2,000
Project Title: *Intensive Spanish Emersion Program at the Colegio de Espana*

English and Comparative Literature

Julie E. Hollyday Germany \$2,000
Project Title: *Munich Summer Cirriculum*

Katherine G. Holterhoff Netherlands \$2,000
Project Title: *A European Experience in the Arts*

German Studies

Jessica Downey Germany \$2,000
Project Title: *Written Exposition and Interview of Interpreting*

Lisa Elliott Berlin \$2,000
Project Title: *A Study of Phenomenon of Ostalgia in Berlin*

Taneli Potticary Berlin \$2,000
Project Title: *Research and Experiential Capstone Essay*

Jamie Puckett Munich \$2,000
Project Title: *2006 Summer Program in Munich*

Jenny Steele Germany \$2,000
Project Title: *Trip to Freiburg*

Kristen Stencil Germany \$ 670
Project Title: *University Study in Germany*

Michael Cavitt Berlin \$2,000
Project Title: *Berlin's Role in the Holocaust as Portrayed in Cinema*

History

Laura Loechle Austria & Berlin \$2,000
Project Title: *Holocaust Memorials*

Timothy Pilot New York \$ 320
Project Title: *Archival Research at FDR Library*

Mathematical Sciences

David Arnold Atlanta \$ 565
Project Title: *The Quasisymmetry of the Natural Power Function*

Philosophy

Tyrone Collier	Rio de Janeiro	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>Kantian Implications on Sociopolitical Brazil</i>		

Political Science

Laura Brinson	El Salvador	\$1,300
Project Title: <i>El Salvador Study Tour</i>		

Laura Deller	Germany	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>Experiencing German-Turkish Relations in Berlin</i>		

Joyce Kasee	Prague	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>The International Youth Conference in Prague</i>		

Elizabeth E. Morgan	El Salvador	\$1,300
Project Title: <i>El Salvador Study Tour</i>		

James H. Ramey III	Washington, DC	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>The Washington Center Fall 2006 Internship Program</i>		

Romance Languages and Literatures

Robin K. Donovan	Mexico	\$1,495
Project Title: <i>Teaching English as a Foreign Language in Mexico</i>		

Salliann Gomez	Spain	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>Estudio Sempere: Study Abroad in Madrid</i>		

Jenny L. Koopman	Santo Domingo	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>Study Abroad: Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic</i>		

Jessica Ann Martin	Mexico	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>My Journey to Bilingualism</i>		

Amanda Craven	Guatemala	\$ 961
Project Title: <i>Service Learning in Guatemala with COB and Habitat for Humanity's Global Village</i>		

Sociology

Kimberly Burgas	Columbus	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>Intensive Farsi Summer Program: 2006 Eastern Consortium at Ohio State</i>		

Mary Money	Rio de Janeiro	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>Afro-Brazilian and Afro-American Cultures</i>		

**FACULTY AWARDS
2005 - 2006**

HUMANITIES

**ENGLISH AND COMPARATIVE LITERATURE (62 FACULTY) 20 GRANTS AWARDED FOR
A TOTAL OF \$32,655.14**

International Academic Meeting Travel Grant

Jana Evans Braziel Vancouver, Canada \$ 820.00
Project Title: *BOOSH-WA? Or BASQUIAT? New York's Ethnic Cityscapes in Edo Bertoglio's Downtown
81 and Julian Schnabel's Basquiat*

Stanley Corkin Freiburg, Germany \$1,247.52
Project Title: *Film, History, and Symptomatic Reading*

Amy Elder Ghana \$2,225.00
Project Title: *The Stone Virgins: Vera's Psycho/Linguistic Creation of Women's Bodies, and Worlds*

W.L. Godshalk Canada \$1,408.00
Project Title: *Lawrence Durrell, Book Collecting, and the Archive*

Leland Person England \$1,600.00
Project Title: *Journal of an African Cruiser: What Did Hawthorne Know, and When did he Know it?*

Lucille Schultz Netherlands \$1,656.00
Project Title: *The Pestalozzi-Mayo-Frost Connection: 'Say it, No Ideas but in Things'*

Barbara Wenner Australia \$1,700.00
Project Title: *Does Place 'Make' Fanny - or Does Fanny 'Make' Place*

Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant

Jonathan Alexander Lubbock, TX \$ 675.00
Project Title: *Media Convergence: Methodologies for Studying New Media*

Don Bogen Austin, TX \$ 493.00
Project Title: *A Necklace of Roots: Etymology and Poetry*

Michelle Gibson Chicago, IL \$ 293.00
Project Title: *Generating Mentors in Composition: Beyond the Great Chain of Being*

Michelle Gibson Oakland, CA \$ 545.00
Project Title: *Relative Power and its Correspondence to Political Theory in Lesbian Communities*

Deborah Meem Gainesville, FL \$ 453.52
Project Title: *Eliza Lynn Linton and Female Masculinity*

Deborah Meem Oakland, CA \$ 545.00
Project Title: *Relative Power and its Correspondence to Political Theory in Lesbian Communities*

Alison Rieke	Washington, DC	\$ 700.00
Project Title: <i>Guy Davenport's Geophagy as Pedagogy</i>		
Lucille Schultz	Chicago, IL	\$ 397.00
Project Title: <i>Write Down Five Jokes about the War: A Study of Student Writing for the WWII Rumor Control Project</i>		
Jay Twomey	Milwaukee, WI	\$ 268.90
Project Title: <i>Rhetoric as Exegesis: Jonathan Edwards, Charles Chauncey and the Bible in Polemical Context</i>		
Jay Twomey	Washington, DC	\$ 250.00
Project Title: <i>Gospel Truths: Teaching the New Testament as Literature</i>		
Jay Twomey	Princeton, NJ	\$ 428.20
Project Title: <i>A Funny Thing Happened on the Road to Damascus: Johnny Cash Among the Theorists</i>		
Research Travel Grant		
Jana Evans Braziel	Antigua	\$1,950.00
Project Title: <i>Caribbean Genesis: Jamaica Kincaid and the Writing of New Worlds</i>		
Center Fellowship		
Russel Durst	<i>Founding Figures in Composition Studies</i>	\$15,000.00
GERMAN STUDIES (10 FACULTY) 4 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$15,967.90		
Domestic Travel Grant		
Katharina Gerstenberger	Milwaukee, WI	\$ 230.91
Project Title: <i>From Nazi Fathers to "Good Germans"</i>		
Todd Herzog	Milwaukee, WI	\$ 335.90
Project Title: <i>Berlin Childhoods: Film Versions of Emil und die Detektive</i>		
Noriko Fukioka Ito	Baltimore, MD	\$ 401.09
Project Title: <i>Effectiveness and Strategies of Dictionary Use</i>		
Center Fellowships		
Richard Schade	<i>Gunter Grass's Graphic Art and Literary Texts</i>	\$15,000.00
HISTORY (23 FACULTY) 17 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$56,761.16		
International Academic Meeting Travel Grant		
John Brackett	France	\$ 995.00
Project Title: <i>Duke Alessandro de' Medici and His Mother</i>		
Elizabeth Frierson	Istanbul	\$1,100.00
Project Title: <i>WWI Refugees in Istanbul: Discourses and Practices of Diaspora and Displacement</i>		
Wendy Kline	Halifax, Nova Scotia	\$ 895.00
Project Title: <i>Who Calls the Shots: Debating Depo Provera in the 1970s</i>		

Domestic Travel Grant

Jana Evans Braziel Washington, DC \$ 450.00
 Project Title: *To Battle Shell in the Oilfields and At the Full and Change of the Moon*

Elizabeth Frierson Washington, DC \$ 377.40
 Project Title: *The New Kid on Campus: Balancing Teaching and Community/Media Work as First Hires in Middle East Studies*

Eran Kaplan Washington, DC \$ 510.00
 Project Title: *Amox Ox and the Sabra Myth: A Tale of Love and Darkness*

Thomas Sakmyster Salt Lake City, UT \$ 425.40
 Project Title: *Sander Goldberger/J. Peters and the American Communist Movement*

Hilda Smith Denver, CO \$ 515.80
 Project Title: *The Radical Nature of Mary Astell's Christian Feminism*

David Stradling St. Paul, MN \$ 495.00
 Project Title: *Perceptions of the Burning River: Cleveland's Cuyahoga*

Willard Sunderland Philadelphia, PA \$ 397.40
 Project Title: *Participant in Roundtable Discussion: The New History of the Russian Empire*

Research Travel Grant

Geoffrey Plank London, Woodbrooks & York \$3,100.00
 Project Title: *John Woolman and the British Empire*

Willard Sunderland Mongolia \$3,500.00
 Project Title: *Baron Ungern's Empire: An Imperial Life in Late Tsarist Russia*

Summer Release Fellowship

Wayne Durrill *God's Own Vengeance:
 Nat Turner and the Southampton Slave Revolt of 1831* \$6,500.00

Man Bun Kwan *Selected Archival Materials on the Hangu Salt Fields* \$6,500.00

David Stradling *The Nature of New York:
 An Environmental History of the Empire State* \$6,500.00

Summer Release Fellowship Research Supplement

Wayne Durrill Maryland and Delaware \$1,500.00

Man Bun Kwan Tianjin, P.R.C. \$1,500.00

David Stradling New York State \$1,500.00

Center Fellowship

Sigrun Haude *Survival during the 30 Years' War (1618-1648)* \$15,000.00

PHILOSOPHY (12 FACULTY) 10 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$26,508**International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Lawrence Jost Greece \$1,787.00

Project Title: *Philosophy as a Competitive, Collaborative ("Olympish") Sport*

Koffi Maglo Germany & Italy \$1,700.00

Project Title: *D'Alembert, Reader of the Principia and Contributor to the Encyclopedie & Newton's Philosophy of Math and the Scientific Style of the Principia*

Kofi Maglo Japan \$ 735.00

Project Title: *Talking About Democracy in Africa: Models and Modalities*

Kofi Maglo France \$1,500.00

Project Title: *Mme du Chatelet and the Triumph of Newton's Theories in France*

Robert Richardson Amsterdam \$1,586.00

Project Title: *Construction of Mechanistic Models***Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Lawrence Jost Charleston, SC \$ 350.00

Project Title: *The Metaphysics of Ruthless Reductionism*

Robert Skipper Charleston, SC \$ 350.00

Project Title: *Simplicity and Inference to the Best Explanation***Summer Release Fellowship**Thomas Polger *Explanation for Scientific Metaphysics* \$6,500.00**Faculty Release Fellowship**John Bickle *Molecular and Cellular Cognition: From the Mechanisms of Remote Memory to the Underlying Philosophy of Science* \$5,000.00John Martin *The Scalar Logic of Negative Theology* \$5,000.00**Faculty Release Fellowship Research Supplement**

John Bickle California \$2,000.00

ROMANCE LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES (25 FACULTY) 21 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$19,833.21**International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Carlos Gutierrez UK \$1,816.00

Project Title: *Escritor, autor y personaje: faceter de la automepresentacion literaria en Gongora, Cervantes Quevedo y Lope*

Jeff Loveland Montreal, Canada \$ 904.00

Project Title: *John Geedes, the First Catholic Contributor to the Encyclopedia Britannica*

Maria Paz Moreno	Mexico	\$ 729.64
Project Title: <i>Poetry reading of my own work (2) Poesia Espanola En Libertad Condicional (3) Book presentation</i>		
Armando Romero	Colombia	\$1,700.00
Project Title: <i>El Nadaismo y Jorge Isaacs, frente a frente</i>		
Nicasio Urbina	Panama	\$ 754.15
Project Title: <i>Ruben Dario and his Poetic Project</i>		
Nicasio Urbina	Puerto Rico	\$ 628.00
Project Title: <i>Sandino en la literatura y la cultura nicaraguense</i>		
Domestic Travel Grant		
James Hamilton	Columbia, SC	\$ 417.00
Project Title: <i>Convergency in Sand's La Mare au diable a Contrasexual Reading</i>		
Fenfang Hwu	Hawaii	\$ 700.00
Project Title: <i>Tracking and Data Mining with Machine Learning: The Match Made in Heaven for the Study of Learner Differences?</i>		
Maria Paz Moreno	San Antonio, TX	\$ 491.42
Project Title: <i>Dulce venganza e intencionalidad multiple en un recetario ilustrado: La Cocina espanola antigua de Emilia pardo Bazan</i>		
Research Travel Grant		
Jeff Loveland	Paris & London	\$2,800.00
Project Title: <i>Eighteenth-Century English and French Encyclopedias</i>		
Patricia Oconnor	Havana, Cuba	\$1,543.00
Project Title: <i>Subversion femenina en guarnte de seda: La colaboracion hispano-cuban de Isabel Fernandez de Amando-Blanco y Cuqui Ponce de Leon</i>		
Summer Release Fellowship		
Fenfang Hwu	<i>Uncovering the Effects of Individual Differences on Second Language Learning</i>	\$6,500.00
Summer Release Fellowship Research Supplement		
Fenfang Hwu	University of Cincinnati	\$ 850.00

SOCIAL SCIENCES**ANTHROPOLOGY (7 FACULTY) – 3 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$17,265.47****International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Martha Rees	Mexico	\$ 929.70
Project Title: <i>Destinos Viejos, Destinos Neuvos de los Migrantes Oaxaquenos</i>		
Martha Rees	Puerto Rico	\$1,335.77
Project Title: <i>Migrantes y Casa: relaciones y historias EEUU/OAXACA</i>		

Center Fellowship

Vernon Scarborough *How to Interpret an Ancient Landscape* \$15,000.00

ECONOMICS (15 FACULTY) 3 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$21,897.40**Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Sourushe Zandvakili Boston, MA \$ 397.40
 Project Title: *Advances in Inequality Measurement and Usefulness of Statistical Inference*

Summer Release Fellowship

Claude Lopez *Re-sampling Methods in Macroeconomic Data Analysis* \$6,500.00

Center Fellowship

Debashis Pal *Why are the Optimal Contracts Not Used? Understanding the Divergence between Optimal and Conventional Contracts* \$15,000.00

POLITICAL SCIENCE (13 FACULTY) 6 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$21,082.42**International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

George Bishop France \$1,686.95
 Project Title: *Illusions of Change in Presidential Popularity: The Case of George W. Bush*

George Bishop Canada \$ 813.05
 Project Title: *Why Public Opinion Indicators are Often Misleading: The Case of Presidential Popularity and Evolution Creationism and Intelligent Design*

Mia Bloom England \$1,781.00
 Project Title: *Emotions and Terror: The Increasing Role of Muslim Converts in Violence*

Michael Margolis Canada \$1,101.42
 Project Title: *E-Government the Promise of Internet Democracy*

Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant

Mia Bloom California \$ 700.00
 Project Title: *Applying a Bayesian Analysis to the Study of Terrorists Models, the Causes and Consequences of Terror and Atrocities in the Middle East, South Asia, Africa and Europe and the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism*

Center Fellowship

Thomas Moore *China, East Asia, and Regional Order in an Era of Globalization* \$15,000.00

SOCIOLOGY (15 FACULTY) 14 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$23,645.08**International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

Steve Carlton Ford Canada \$ 995.00
 Project Title: *Iraqi Adolescents: Self-Regard, Self-Derogation and Perceived Safety in War*

Angela Garcia Canada \$ 923.00
 Project Title: *Defining Home and Family: Animal Rescue Volunteers Working with Fostered Dogs*

Annulla Linders Canada \$ 985.00
 Project Title: *Mobilizing Against Unemployment: Unions, the Unemployed, and a Precarious Balance of Interests*

Kelly Moore South Africa \$2,500.00
 Project Title: *Unbinding Science: The Disarticulation of Scientists' and Scientific Authority*

Jeff Timberlake France \$1,921.94
 Project Title: *Change in Racial and Ethnic Residential Inequality in American Cities, 1970-2000*

Rhys Williams South Africa \$2,500.00
 Project Title: *Place and the Sacred: Urban Religion in a Suburbanizing Nation and Panelist, The Sociology of Religion on the Modern World*

Domestic Academic Meeting Travel Grant

Steve Carlton Ford Boston, MA \$ 460.00
 Project Title: *The Effect of Armed Conflict on Food Security and Displaced People: A Pooled Times-Series Analysis*

Steve Carlton Ford Indianapolis, IN \$ 169.13
 Project Title: *The Effect of Armed Conflict on Children's Immunization and Schooling: A Pooled time-series Analysis*

Angela Garcia Philadelphia, PA \$ 375.81
 Project Title: *Virtual Animal Shelters vs. The Humane Society: How the Internet is Transforming Pet Adoption*

Annulla Linders Philadelphia, PA \$ 422.40
 Project Title: *The Return of the Spectacle? The Modern Execution Event in the U.S.*

Kelly Moore California \$ 530.80
 Project Title: *Why Analyses of Boundaries are Less Useful than Analyses of Power*

Rhys Williams New York \$ 362.00
 Project Title: *Soul Searching: Religion and America's Youth*

Summer Release Fellowship

Jeffrey Timberlake *Racial and Ethnic Inequality in Children's Exposure to Neighborhood Poverty and Affluence* \$6,500.00

Faculty Release Fellowship

Annulla Linders *Rowdy Crowds and Reluctant Witnesses: Cultural Change, Audience Manipulation and the Transformation of the American Death Penalty* \$5,000.00

SCIENCES**MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES (44 FACULTY) 22 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$54,248.24****International Academic Meeting Travel Grant**

H. Scott Dumas	China	\$1,766.00
Project Title: <i>Applications of Filling Rates for Quasiperiodic Flow on Tori</i>		
Charles Groetsch	Japan	\$1,580.00
Project Title: <i>Regularization Theory for Fredholm Integral Equations of the First Kind</i>		
David Herron	India	\$ 814.00
Project Title: <i>Uniformization, Gromov Hyperbolization, Volume Growth, and Slice Conditions</i>		
Dan Ralescu	France	\$1,400.00
Project Title: <i>Some Mathematical Tools for Random Upper Semicontinuous Functions (2) Processing of the Halo Region Around a Light Source in Color Images of Night Scenes</i>		
Seongho Song	Spain	\$2,422.51
Project Title: <i>Bayesian Inference for Estimating Migration Rate, Mutation Rate, and Population Size in Microsatellite Loci</i>		
Srdjan Stojanovic	Japan	\$2,028.96
Project Title: <i>Higher Dimensional Fair Option Pricing and Hedging Under HARA and CARA Utilities</i>		
Gary Weiss	Romania	\$1,705.00
Project Title: <i>3 Paving Small Matrices and the Kadison-Singer Extension Problem</i>		
Domestic Travel Grant		
Jintai Ding	New York	\$ 700.00
Project Title: <i>Innoculating Multivariate Schemes Against Differential Attacks</i>		
Victor Kaftal	San Antonio, TX	\$ 690.00
Project Title: <i>Operator-Valued Frames over Hilbert C*-Modules</i>		
Xiadong Lin	St. Louis, MO	\$ 499.48
Project Title: <i>Statistical Learning Tools for Analyzing Metabolomic Datasets</i>		
Dan Ralescu	Berkeley, CA	\$ 700.00
Project Title: <i>Probability, Statistics and Fuzziness: A Historical Perspective</i>		
Bing-Yu Zhang	Lincoln, NB	\$ 402.29
Project Title: <i>Global Stabilization of the Generalized KdV Equation</i>		
Research Travel Grant		
James A. Deddens	Netherlands	\$2,100.00
Project Title: <i>Analysis of Repeated Measures Exposure Data with Values Below the Limit of Detection</i>		
Jintai Ding	Germany	\$3,500.00
Project Title: <i>Perturbation of Multivariate Public Key Cryptosystems</i>		

Paul Horn	Copenhagen, Denmark	\$2,600.00
Project Title: <i>Improving the Quality of Reference Interval Estimation</i>		
Bing-Yu Zhang	Chicago, IL	\$2,140.00
Project Title: <i>On Some Open Questions of the Initial-Boundary-Value Problems of the Korteweg-de Vries Equation</i>		
Ning Zhong	Germany	\$ 760.00
Project Title: <i>Computability of Nonlinear Problems</i>		
Ning Zhong	New York	\$ 940.00
Project Title: <i>Polynomial-Time Complexity in Differential Equations</i>		
Summer Release Fellowship		
David Herron	<i>Characterizing Uniform Spaces via Gromov-Hausdorff Convergence</i>	\$6,500.00
Siva Sivaganesan	<i>Subgroup Analysis</i>	\$6,500.00
Gary Weiss	<i>The Kadison-Singer Extension Problem and Problems on Traces and Ideals Using Commutators and Arithmetic Means</i>	\$6,500.00
Summer Release Fellowship Research Supplement		
Siva Sivaganesan	University of Cincinnati	\$1,500.00
Gary Weiss	UC & U.S. Navy Academy	\$1,500.00
Faculty Release Fellowship		
Jintai Ding	<i>Perturbation of Multivariate Public Key Cryptosystems</i>	\$5,000.00

**RESEARCH SUPPORT
SPECIAL REQUESTS
2005 - 2006**

Economics

Debashis Pal \$5,800

Project Title: *Losses from a Linear Contract in the Presence of Moral Hazards*

Christelle Viauroux \$5,200

Project Title: *A Game Theoretical Approach of Congestion Dynamics*

Mathematics

Ning Zhong \$4,900

Project Title: *Polynomial-time Complexity in Partial Differential Equations*

Wlodzimierz Bryc \$3,000

Project Title: *Orthogonal Polynomials and Markov Processes II (Ryszard Szwarc Wroclaw Univ.)*

**RESEARCH SUPPORT
LIBRARY PURCHASES
2005 - 2006**

English

Martin Francis	<i>Mass/Observation Archive</i>	\$12,450
Deborah Meem	<i>Gay Rights Movement (microfilm)</i>	\$56,790

**RESEARCH SUPPORT
COST SHARING AWARD
2005 - 2006**

History

Barbara Ramusack \$10,000

Project Title: *Maternal and Infant Health in Madras and Mysore*

Hilda Smith \$ 8,700

Project Title: *Nation, Family, State: Women's Political Writings, A Web Based Research and Teaching Resource*

Tracy Teslow \$ 9,365

Project Title: *Mellon Junior Post-Doctoral Fellowship*

**RESEARCH SUPPORT
RESEARCH SEMINARS
2006-2007**

Romance Languages and Literatures

Michele Vialet

\$43,500

Project Title: *Racism in French and Francophone Literatures*

Mathematical Sciences

Bingyu Zhang

\$45,000

Project Title: *Analysis and Control of Nonlinear Dispersive Wave Equations*

**LECTURES
2005 – 2006**

Anthropology

Norman Hammond, Boston University (February 16, 2006) \$ 600
Exploring La Milpa: A Classic Maya City in Northwestern Belize

Jeffrey H. Cohen, Ohio State University (April 25, 2006) \$1,500
Where Can They Go: Mexicans, Migration and the Problems of Return

Economics

Catherine Mann, Institute for International Economics (October. 27, 2005) \$3,000
The US Trade Deficit: Crisis or Co-Dependency?

English

Susan L. Lanser, Brandeis University (May 8, 2006) \$3,000
The Political Efficacy of the Novel

German

Wilfried Barner, University of Kansas (April 3, 2006) \$1,500
Gruppe 47: The Revival of Literature in Post-War Germany

History

Claudia Koonz, Duke University (November 8, 2005) \$3,000
Veiled Threat: The Islamic Headscarf Debates in France
Claudia Koonz, Duke University (November 9, 2005)
Pogrom! Germany, November 9, 1938

Math

Tom Korner, Cambridge University, UK (March 30-31, 2006) \$3,000
Mathematicians and Small Pox, and Does Order Matter?

Philosophy

James Woodward, California Institute of Technology (May 12, 2006) \$1,500
Sensitive and Insensitive Causation

William Bechtel, University of California at San Diego (May 13, 2006) \$1,500
Mechanism and Biological Explanation

Political Science

Stephen David, John Hopkins University (May 18, 2006) \$1,500
Targeted Killing: Israel's Experience, U.S. Lessons

Ira Katznelson, Columbia University (October 10, 2006) \$1,500
When Affirmative Action was White: Lessons for History, Political Science and Public Policy?

Romance Languages and Literatures

Patricia O'Connor, University of Cincinnati (May 11, 2006) \$1500
Translating Plays: The Artful Juggling of Information, Imagination and Public Relations

Patrice Nganang, Shippensburg University (May 12, 2006) \$1,500
An Other Republic

Sociology

Eduardo Bonilla-Silva, Duke University (May 11, 2006) \$3,000
Racism without Racists: Making Sense of Color-blind Nonsense

**COMPETITIVE LECTURES
2005 - 2006**

Economics

Paul Rubin, Emory University (April 28, 2006) \$1,500
The Assault on the First Amendment: Public Choice and Political Correctness

Stuart Hoffman, PNC Financial Services Group (October 26, 2006) \$1,500
Reflecting on Macroeconomic Conditions

English

Richard Howard, Columbia University (January 25, 2006) \$3,000
The Disbelief in the Past

German Studies

George Brady, (April 25, 2006) \$1,500
We Were Children Just the Same: The Story of a Youth Journal in the Terezin Concentration Camp

History

Khaled Fahmy, New York University (March 3, 2006) \$1,750
Arab Nationalism and Western Colonialism: Mehmed Ali, Gamal Abdel Nasser, Saddam Hussein and the West

Adeeb Khalid, Carleton College (March 1, 2006) \$586.56
Understanding Soviet Islam: Religion, Nationality, and Citizenship in Soviet Central Asia

Dolores F. Janiewski, University of Wellington, new Zealand (November 30, 2006) \$1500
God's Bullies' to Stealth Christians: Moral Politics in the United States and New Zealand

Mathematics

Keri-I-Ko, State University of New York (October 2, 2006) \$1,000
The P versus NP Problem and Its Application to Numerical Computation

Philosophy

Peter Vallentyne, University of Missouri-Columbia (March 31, 2006) \$1,519
Redistribution and Public Goods in the Non-consensual Libertarian State

Philosophy/Political Science

John H. McClendon III, Bates College (April 27, 2006) \$1,500
Categories, Critique and Community: Revisiting African American Studies

Romance Languages and Literatures

Helena Araujo \$3,000
Latin American Women's Literature Today

Sociology

Sheryl Kroen, University of Florida (May 18, 2006) \$ 500
Contentious Ideas in Conservative Contexts

**CONFERENCES
2005 - 2006**

Economics	\$7,400
<i>16th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Econometric Group</i>	
Organizer: Jeffrey Mills	
October 13-14, 2006	
University of Cincinnati	
Mathematical Sciences	\$7,000
<i>GOPTS 2008 - Great Plains Operator Theory Symposium</i>	
Organizer: Victor Kaftal	
May/June 2008	
University of Cincinnati	
Philosophy	\$5,000
<i>Two More Decades of Scientific Explanation</i>	
Organizer: Robert Richardson	
May 12-15, 2006	
University of Cincinnati	

PUBLICATIONS
2005 - 2006

Anthropology

Martha Rees	Photos, charts, maps	\$1,000
<i>Women's Work is Never Done: Community and Migration in Oaxaca, Mexico</i>		

History

Steven Bowman	Publication Costs	\$1,588
<i>The Agony of Greek Jewry During World War II</i>		

History

Steven Bowman	Indexing	\$1,000
<i>The Agony of Greek Jewry During World War II</i>		

**TAFT FACULTY EXECUTIVE BOARD
2005 - 2006**

Don Bogen	English and Comparative Literature
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Richard Harknett (Chair)	Political Science
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Todd Herzog	German Studies
Laura Jenkins	Political Science
Victor Kaftal	Mathematical Sciences
Jennifer Malat	Sociology
Debashis Pal	Economics
Christopher Phillips	History
Martha Rees	Anthropology
Robert Richardson	Philosophy
Willard Sunderland	History
Jeffrey Timberlake	Sociology
Michele Vialet	Romance Languages and Literatures
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Sociology
Mathematical Sciences
History

Conferences and Lectures

Thomas Moore (Chair)
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Political Science
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Sociology
History

Faculty Fellowships

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Faculty Travel

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English and Comparative Literature
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Major Awards

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Romance Languages and Literatures
History

History
English and Comparative Literature
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Mathematical Sciences
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