

2006-2007 ANNUAL REPORT
FACULTY CHAIR,
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE CHARLES PHELPS TAFT
RESEARCH CENTER AND MEMORIAL FUND

The Charles Phelps Taft Research Center concluded its second year of operation in support of the ten-designated Taft disciplines in the humanities and associated social sciences in the McMicken College of Arts & Sciences with \$1.25 million distributed from the Taft Memorial Fund through 295 awards. While the scale of this research support is impressive, it is the range of research activities and publications that is eye-catching. For example, during the year the Taft Research Center sponsored a conference on “*Race in the Age of Genomic Medicine: The Science and its Application*” that brought Philosophy scholars and faculty from UC’s College of Medicine together with interdisciplinary researchers from Columbia University, Stanford and the University of California, Berkeley. Faculty from our Romance Languages department dedicated a full year investigating *Racism in French and Francophone Literatures* through a Taft Research Seminar that energized sustained interactions between UC faculty, students and three Visiting Taft Scholars. Researchers from our Math Department collaborated with scholars from France to push leading edge advances in understanding *nonlinear dispersive wave equations*. All six Taft Visiting Scholars associated with these research seminars were housed in residence with six Taft graduate students at Taft House, the home of the Research Center.

UC Faculty Fellows pushed forward book manuscripts in a year of writing on *China, East Asia, and Globalization*, an anthropological study of *Ancient Landscapes*, and a literary analysis on the *Founding Figures in Composition Studies*. Taft Research Center cost-share grants enabled faculty to leverage an additional \$45,551 from external sources and significant survey research projects were launched to study *Non-Standard Schedules and the Work & Family Lives of Retail Food Workers* and a multidisciplinary examination of the *Ohio Political Landscape*.

In support of our mission to create the next generation of scholars, the Taft Research Center funded fourteen doctoral dissertations including studies on the *History of Urban Environmental Politics* and original poetry entitled, *The Missing Person*. The Center funded twenty undergraduate enrichment awards that included research experiences and presentations at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, in Berlin, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Prague, Japan, and Dubai among other places. Back at home, the Taft Research Center hosted twenty-seven visiting lectures and scores of research meetings and colloquia.

While we supported this activity, as Faculty Chair, I am pleased to report that we continued to build on our first year momentum and grow our programming with the launch of new and exciting opportunities. We have accomplished much of our initial planning in only two short years and remain engaged with forward-leaning efforts to sustain our growth over the coming years.

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

I. Administration and Governance

The second year of the Taft Research Center presented a set of interrelated administrative challenges: consolidate all of the changes from our conversion to a research center, adapt to lessons learned, make appropriate adjustments, and (simultaneously) engage in the implementation of new programming. It is important to note that our second year of operation included the development of new programs that required new administrative functions.

Our 2003-4 planning proposal to open the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center anticipated much of what was necessary in terms of academic and research programming and the Executive Board/standing committee oversight required for success. However, the administrative and operational demands on the Taft Office have proven extensive. The success of the conversion created a major increase in the workload of the Taft office that exceeded the original job descriptions of the Sr. Business Services Assistant (Taft Secretary), Faculty Chair, and the ten hours of support from the Taft Center Graduate Fellow. Aside from the increase in competitive proposal submissions, the office now oversees the arrival, departure, and accommodation of visiting scholars from around the world as well as the functioning of the residence for twelve people on a daily basis; weekly seminars, lectures, and meetings hosted at Taft House; and, the support of our plan to increase the profile and impact of our programs. In recognition of these requirements, the Executive Board

created a twenty hour-a-week graduate assistantship to begin in 2006-7. To maximize the potential between the Graduate Fellow position and Graduate Assistant position, the Board created the option to renew each position for one additional year and structured the positions to be filled in alternate years. Therefore organizationally each year, the Research Center should be supported with one experienced student and one new student. This should provide us some institutional stability. By the end of the 2006-7 academic year, we had developed an effective understanding of how the two positions' duties should be divided and we reoriented our original understanding of the two positions to recognize them as truly "staff support" positions. The daily operations of the Research Center have become extensive and these two student positions will be vital to continued success. Doctoral students Viorel Paslaru (Center Fellow) and Ivan Ivanov (Center Assistant) ably supported the Research Center throughout the year and the Board renewed Ivan's appointment for 2007-8. I am pleased to report that Viorel defended his dissertation and was hired into a tenure track assistant professor line at the University of Dayton. Structurally, the Center Graduate Fellowship, thus, provided the Research Center with necessary support, but also enabled the doctoral student holding the position to advance professionally.

Our original plan for the Research Center included a dedicated full-time program officer position. After two years of operation it is clear that the Research Center would benefit tremendously from such a position and thus one of the institutional priorities for the next few years must be to develop support for a program officer (see final section on external funding/grant-writing).

I can not stress enough how important Joy Dunn, the Taft Secretary and Sr. Business Services Assistant, is to the Research Center's achievements. Joy remained dedicated to our collective success and continually went beyond the delineated duties of her job description. She ensured that all those interacting with the Taft Research Center from faculty, students, departments, the college office, other University agencies, the public as well as all those living in Taft House were served effectively and, thus, were able to maximize what the Research Center offers.

The Faculty Executive Board convened 8 times during the year. Aside from normal oversight of our programs and standing committees, the Executive Board initiated new programs with related oversight committees, clarified by-law governance issues and changed deadlines for a number of programs based on standing committee reviews.

Specifically, the Board reviewed and approved the creation of three new competitive programs with distinct award guidelines and selection processes: Undergraduate Senior Research Fellows; Taft-Niehoff Faculty Community Scholar; and, Taft-Niehoff Graduate Community Assistantship (each of these programs are discussed in program sections below). These new programs represent important expansions of Taft Research Center support and increased commitment to our mission statement. The undergraduate award will fall under the oversight of the existing Student Awards committee, while the two Taft-Niehoff programs have distinct selection committees.

The Board also approved changes to the competitive Research Support program to allow for greater clarity in proposal guidelines and to enable the RS committee to have more effective comparative (and thus competitive) review (see program section). Overall, the Board determined that in a number of Faculty programs consolidation of deadline dates was needed to enhance rigorous review. Thus, 2007-8 will have in place fewer deadlines for most of our programs.

In terms of by-law clarification, the Major Awards Committee was redefined as the Taft Professor Search Committee, since that is the only program that now falls under the committee's oversight function and guidelines for the selection of the Taft Professor (we have five endowed professorships) were clarified and placed directly into the by-laws.

Finally, the Board clarified language on eligibility to bring it into line with practice and to avoid confusion as different types of faculty positions have been emerging over the past several years (e.g., field service). The endowment specifies that funding is intended for faculty with "a long-term research affiliation," and in practice this has meant tenured or tenure-track faculty. The by-laws were clarified so this practice is now explicit.

Our standing committees held over 20 formal meetings and many consultations. It is important to note the dedicated nature of the 33 faculty who served on all of our committees. Taft committee service requires a significant time commitment to provide rigorous review of proposals and attentive program oversight. It is essential to our success. All of the committees operated exceptionally. We now have 9 different standing committees that oversee 24 distinct programs.

The Faculty Chair continued the practice initiated in 2003 of meeting with the ten Taft Department Heads as well as

directly with program directors. For 2007-8, the Faculty Chair intends to visit each department to gather direct faculty input on how the Taft Research Center can position them for achievements in research.

The Taft Research Center was 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 and in speeches by President Nancy Zimpher and Provost Tony Perzigian. Vice President for Research Dr. Sandra Degen highlighted the launch of our Undergraduate Research Fellowship in a university publication and invited the Faculty Chair to join a new Undergraduate Research Committee. The new Dean of the Graduate School, Dr. Neville Pinto, was also an important institutional support readily providing new university graduate scholarship support for the Taft-Niehoff Community Assistantship program based on its interdisciplinary inter-college (A&S-DAAP) nature.

I must also acknowledge the tremendous support the Taft Center received from Dean Karen Gould, who left UC during the year to take a provost position at another university. From the outset, Karen Gould saw the potential of converting to a research center configuration, not simply for the Taft disciplines or College, but for the university as a whole. Her support was vital and consistent. At the Provost's request, I had the privilege to serve on the search committee for the new Dean. The search was completed in the Spring with the announced appointment of Dr. Valerie Gray Hardcastle, who a number of years ago had received post-doctoral support from the Taft Memorial Fund through our Department of Philosophy. During the interim period of the search, the Taft Center was supported consistently and enthusiastically by Prof. Cindy Berryman-Fink as Interim Dean from January-September 2007.

II. Student Programs (32% of the Fund)

Student Awards Committee

The Student Awards Committee for the 2006-2007 academic year consisted of the following faculty: Willard Sunderland, Chair (History), Don Bogen (English), Kelly Moore (Sociology), Nageswari Shanmugalingam (Mathematics), and Michele Vialet (Romance Languages and Literature). The Committee's allocated budget was \$398,000. Total monies expended amounted to \$426,154.65. The committee met on 6 occasions during the academic year: twice during the fall term, twice during winter quarter, and twice again 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:

Dissertation Fellowships:

The budget for DFs for academic year 2006-2007 totaled \$213,000. Of this, \$108,000 was directed towards 8 Advanced Departmental Fellowships (ADF) (@\$13,500 each), \$24,000 was allocated for summer support for the Advanced Departmental Fellowships (@\$3,000 each), and \$81,000 was provided to fund 6 competitive Advanced Departmental Fellowships (again @ \$13, 500 each). The committee approved the 8 candidates nominated for the department-allocated DFs. In addition, it evaluated 10 nominations for the competitive DFs, awarding 6, with the following distribution among departments: German (1), Math (2), Sociology (1), Romance Languages and Literatures (2). In the eventuality (albeit unlikely) that awards might be declined, the Committee established a two-person alternate list drawn from the remaining four candidates. An applicant from History was selected as first alternate, a student from English became the second alternate.

Graduate Travel Awards

The budget for this category was \$12,500. For the year, the committee made awards to 29 applicants from 7 departments. The total allocation amounted to \$12,882.65, resulting in the Committee going over budget in this category by \$332.65. This excess sum was covered by an internal reallocation of funds approved by the Taft Faculty Chair. These funds came from monies allocated to conference awards and from leftover monies associated with the now discontinued Department Enhancement Award program.

Graduate Enrichment Awards

The budget for Graduate Enrichment was \$22,500. Over the year, the committee awarded enrichment grants to 19 graduate student applicants from 6 departments, for a total allocation of \$32,325.37. As in the case of the Graduate

Travel Awards, the budget deficit in this category (\$9,825.37) was covered by funds from DEA and conference awards.

Graduate Enhancement Fellowships

The budget for Enhancement Fellowships was \$125,000. These funds were disbursed directly to the departments and 60 graduate students across the ten Taft departments received some form of support through this program. Actual expenditures equaled \$138,495.59 drawing on carryover monies from previously unexpended awards. Additionally, four awards were made out of the Graduate Enhancement Reserve Fund totaling \$2,354.00.

Undergraduate Enrichment Awards

Undergraduate Enrichment was allocated a budget line of \$25,000 for 2006-2007. The committee made awards to 20 students representing 7 departments for a total outlay of \$29,451.04. The budget overrun in this category (\$4,451.04) was covered by funds left over from DEA and conference awards.

Summary

In 2006-2007, the Taft Research Center continued its longstanding practice of providing crucial support for graduate and undergraduate students in Taft departments. By and large, applications were of high quality, and most programs were competitive, with Graduate Enrichment being especially so. As noted above, the Committee went over budget in all of its competitive award categories. Indeed, pressure on the budget lines was so tight that we were forced to cancel the allocation of Graduate Student Travel during the spring application round because our Committee was already over budget in GST funding by Winter quarter. This experience suggests that UC students are indeed turning to Taft in increasing numbers, a trend that is likely explained by the Taft Research Center's increasing visibility on campus and by changes in various sources of university funding, such as UC International's recent move to prioritize income-based rather than merit-based funding for its grant programs. Based on anecdotal evidence, we also believe that graduate and undergraduate advisors in Taft departments are doing more to publicize the Taft Research Center as a support venue. One thing is clear: student applications are at a high level and appear to be increasing, which suggests the need for considering possible increases in allocations to Student Awards in the coming short-term.

The Committee's work included a number of changes this year. Following up on concerns voiced in 2005-2006, we took steps to improve the consistency of our application forms. Clarifications were also made to the information on student awards posted on the website. Student applications overall – in particular, undergraduate applications, which have been the greater problem area – tended to be somewhat better organized this year than in previous years, which suggests that these small changes may be having an affect on the care students are putting towards their submissions. That said, there are a number of lingering issues with the application forms that should be cleared up in order to simplify the Committee's work. Students often fail to use specified maxima for per diems, or to develop budgets that fit within the overall limit of a given program. Providing forms that include this information and make clear how students should calculate their costs would eliminate much of the checking and double-checking that Committee members routinely perform. We should also provide boxes on the forms so that students can quickly indicate their year/category of study (First year, Senior, Masters, Doctoral, etc.). This necessary information is often buried in student applications, and rooting it out slows down the Committee's work in the selection process. One very positive development: we equalized all of the dissertation fellowships. We select Dissertation Fellows through two processes: each department has the opportunity to select their best student and then forward other worthy candidates to the Student Awards Committee, which then selects additional fellows from the nominated pool. The difference is therefore in selection process, not in the quality expectations we have for the completed dissertation. Thus, the Board approved a standard fellowship amount for all DFs. This will be in place for 2007-8 and we will drop the use of the internal terms Advanced Department Fellowship and Advanced Competitive Fellowship in favor of the national standard designation as dissertation fellow. These changes will make the grant itself more prestigious and attractive to our brightest graduate students.

The Board approved guidelines and opened competition for the Undergraduate Senior Research Fellowship. Each department is allocated one \$3500 award to support the writing of an independent research thesis, expository essay, or creative writing piece (depending on discipline). All ten departments selected fellows for 2007-8 and the proposals were truly exceptional. We are excited about the prospect of significant output in the Spring 2008 that the

Taft Research Center will be able to highlight. We now have a parallel year-long fellowship at every level of our support structure (undergraduate, graduate, UC faculty, and visiting scholars).

The second new student opportunity created in 2006-7 expands the Taft Research Center into multidisciplinary collaboration with the planners and architects of the Niehoff Urban Studio at UC. This program establishes a graduate assistant from the humanities to engage in applied research for the full year. Anthropology student, Melony Stambaugh was selected. This award is reviewed through a new standing committee that includes members of the Student Awards committee, representatives from the Niehoff Urban Studio, and the Taft faculty Chair. The assistantship is funded through a matching grant from the Studio. This represents a very positive expansion of our research focus into the Public Humanities.

III. Faculty Awards (23% 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 Todd Herzog, Chair (German Studies), Jim Deddens (Mathematics), Michael Griffith (English), Maria Paz Moreo (Romance Languages), and Cristelle Viaoroux (Economics).

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 notable already at the first application deadline, an additional \$8,266.00 was allocated for Faculty Travel early in the year from unexpended funds, giving rise to an available amount of \$78,266.00. As had been the case in 05-06, this mid-year allocation proved insufficient to cover the demand of quality proposals. The total spending in this category for the year was \$81,762.03, giving rise to an overall deficit of \$11,762.02, which was covered through re-allocation from other unexpended Taft monies that came available. Even with these reallocations, the Committee was forced to turn down high quality proposals in the categories of Domestic Travel and Research Travel and ultimately had to close down the final application deadline in both of these categories, because it had no further funds to expend. Only in the category of International Travel was the Committee able to fund quality proposals at all deadlines.

Travel for Research Grants

Travel for Research grants are awards 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 were able to fund (totally or partially) 7 requests totaling \$18,646.00 (\$6,146.00 over our initial budget). This was a highly competitive category, and many high quality proposals were turned down.

International Conference Travel Awards

Taft provides support for faculty members who are invited or selected 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 were able to fund 29 requests (totally or partially) totaling \$39,016.20 (1,516.20 over our initial budget).

Domestic Travel Grants

The Taft Research Center helps to 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. This category has typically not under budgetary pressure and we have been able to fund all requests that meet Taft requirements in the past. This was not the case in 2006-7, however. We were able to fund only 50 proposals totaling \$24,099.82 (\$4,099.82 over our initial budget). The Committee was unable to take action on the final round of proposals due to the lack of funds. These applicants will be eligible to apply at the first deadline of the next budget year. This category will need to be followed closely in upcoming years to see whether this substantial increase in requests was an aberration or a trend.

Summary

The Committee concluded that the quality of invited presentations and the proposals for research were quite high among Taft faculty, who continue to build strong networks throughout their professional disciplines, and that the number and quality of proposals continues to increase. This steady trend toward increased research activity among Taft faculty is welcome, but it does create a new budgetary environment with pressures on budgets that had previously been less competitive. Even with the mid-year budget adjustments, many high quality proposals that met Taft requirements and represented important projects could not be funded. The increased budget for Faculty Travel beginning in 07-08 should help to alleviate some pressure but increased competitiveness is likely. Based on our experiences with Research Travel in the past 2-3 years, the Committee recommended that the Faculty Board consider moving to one uniform deadline for this category, so that all applications could be judged in comparison with each other at the same time. The Committee argued that Research Travel had become a major award with serious competition and should thus be treated like other faculty fellowships with just one deadline. The Board voted to enact this change, and there will now be just one deadline for Research Travel in 07-08. International Travel has been reduced to three deadlines, and Domestic Conference Travel will have five deadlines. These reductions also should support fair and rigorous review.

B. Faculty Fellowship Committee

The Faculty Fellowship Committee included Victor Kaftal, Chair (Mathematics); Brock Clarke (English); Wendy Kline (History); Jennifer Malat (Sociology); Martha Rees (Anthropology).

Faculty Release Fellowships

These \$5,000 release fellowships are paid directly to the Department to 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) and thus this award pool tends to correlate with the number of sabbaticals in a given year. The budget supports 5 fellowships for a total of \$25,000 with the possibility of research cost supplements of up to \$1,500. This year the Committee received 9 applications for the 5 fellowships, which was an increase of 1 from the previous year (5 Associate Professors and 4 Full Professors). The quality level of the applications was excellent and the committee review was, therefore, made very difficult. The awards went to 4 Associate Professors and 1 Full Professor with three ranked as alternates. One awardee did decline the award and thus the first alternate was selected. In addition, research supplement support of \$1,500 was awarded to each of the five FRF recipients. Procedurally, since the chair of the standing committee applied for the award, he did not participate in the review and the Faculty Chair took his place as a voting member.

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 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. In the last three years we had 25, 17, and 10 applications respectively. This year we had 14 applications: 7 Assistant Professors (including 4 qualifying for the set-aside pool), 4 Associate Professors, and 3 Full Professors. The proposals were of good quality and we funded 12 of them. 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 12 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 5 research supplements for specific project costs for a total of \$7,500 and denied other 3 requests for supplements.

Summary

Although the number of applications for Summer Research Fellowships has somewhat rebounded from its last year low of 10, the small number of applicants at the Full Professor level remains an issue of concern. It is likely that the level of funding significantly below the University Research Council's Summer Fellowship is a contributing factor especially at the professorial level. In part to make these fellowships more attractive to our faculty and retain the program's profile, the stipend was increased to \$8,000 as part of the 2007-8 budget proposal. We anticipate this will have an impact on the competitiveness of this award.

The Executive Board implemented the new Taft-Niehoff Community Scholar program that expands the Taft Research Center into a multidisciplinary collaboration with the planners and architects from the Niehoff Urban Studio at UC. This program places a Taft faculty member in the Urban Studio for two quarters to engage in applied research. Anthropology professor Martha Rees was selected. This award is reviewed through a new standing committee that includes members of the Faculty Fellowship committee, representatives from the Niehoff Urban Studio, and the Taft Faculty Chair. The fellowship is funded through a matching grant from the Studio. This represents a very positive expansion of our research focus into the Public Humanities and increases the multidisciplinary impact of the Taft Research Center through a linkage of faculty from the McMicken College of Arts & Sciences and the College of DAAP at UC.

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 Taft Center Fellows. Selection of the 2006-7 fellows, however, required a transitional structure since the pool had yet to become fully available. The Faculty Chair nominated a list of distinguished faculty with records of significant scholarship and the Executive Board appointed: Barbara Bardes (Professor, Political Science), Armando Romero (Taft Professor, RLL), and three previous Center Fellows: Rhys Williams (Sociology), Katharina Gersetzenberger (German Studies), and Robert Skipper (Philosophy).

The committee considered nine exceptional 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: **Stanley Corkin** – English, *Starring New York as Itself: Film, Globalization and Cultural Narratives of Decline and Rebirth 1969-1981*; **Michael Griffith** – English, *Trophy: A Novel*; **John McEvoy** – Philosophy, *The Historiography of the Chemical Revolution: Patterns of Interpretation in the History of Science*; **Maura O'Connor** – History, *The London Stock Exchange and Geographies of Risk and Investment in the Nineteenth Century*; **Thomas Polger** – Philosophy, *Realization and Explanation*; **Hilda Smith** - History *Not the Less True: Women Intellectuals and Constraints of Intellectual History*. The 2007-8 budget for this category was fully allocated at \$91,050.

Summary

The second year of the Center Fellows program was built on the significant success of the previous year. The six 06-07 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. In terms of work completed and already accepted for publication, the 2006-7 fellows accounted for five book chapters, three articles, and one edited book. Several pieces have been submitted for review and three book manuscripts are nearing completion. All of the Center Fellows emphasized the importance of their multi-disciplinary interactions and reported that the year was intellectually stimulating beyond their individual projects.

D. Publications Committee (1% of the Fund)

The Publications Committee consisted of Jana Braziel (English and Comparative Literature), Tara Smith (Mathematics), and Jeffrey Timberlake (Sociology), who served as Chair. 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 2006-2007 the Committee received three applications. All three were approved for a total of \$8,000.00 in disbursements. The three awards were: Maria Paz Moreno (Romance Languages and Literatures), *Invernadero*; Williard Sunderland (History), *Peopling the Russian Periphery: Borderland Colonization in Eurasia from Moscovite to Soviet Times*; and Steve Bowman (Judaic Studies), *Jewish Resistance in Wartime Greece*.

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

A. Research Support (25% of the Fund)

The Research Support Committee for 06-07 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 five meetings (October, January, February, March, and April), during which it reviewed 18 applications: five for cost-sharing, nine for research support, and four for research seminars. We funded three cost-sharing, nine research support, and three seminars.

Cost-Sharing Awards

We received five requests for cost-sharing, four from History, and one from Mathematics. We funded three of the History requests. The Mathematics request and one of the History requests were denied because they did not meet the criteria.

One cost-sharing award helped support a two-day workshop convened by faculty from UC, the University of Michigan and the University of Toronto. Of the other two cost-sharing awards, one is with the McNeil Center for Early American Studies in Philadelphia, PA; the other is with the Herzog August Bibliothek in Wolfenbittel, Germany. Cost-sharing was allotted \$45,000 and allocated \$23,451.53. The balance was transferred to cover expenditures in research cost support.

Research Cost 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. Our budget was set at \$96,000 and we received requests that exceeded \$300,000. This high demand made for very competitive review and the committee funded: 2 library purchases; 4 research collaborations; and 3 projects involving significant survey costs. The committee, ultimately awarded a total of \$190,952.00 in support with the nearly \$95,000 over-expenditure covered from unexpended research support categories and residual DEA monies.

The two requests in this category for major library purchases were from History and Mathematics. The requests were both funded because we were able to leverage the costs with the library in significant ways. The committee awarded \$79,628 for two library purchases with the library itself putting forward \$50,000 to complete the full cost purchase. The History project is for the *Sabin Americana, 1500-1926*, an on-line collection of about 28,000 volumes that covers the western hemisphere but focuses mainly on the US from about 1620-1900. The Mathematics project, the *Elsevier Mathematics Backfiles*, includes the 63 core journals in mathematical sciences, dating back to 1826.

Three survey projects were selected and we anticipate important results and publications on: *Congressional Party Polarization and the Personal Vote*, *Non-Standard Schedules and the Work & Family Lives of Retail Food Workers*, and the *Ohio Political Landscape: a Multidisciplinary Research Initiative*.

Research Seminars

We received four proposals: from History, Mathematics, Philosophy, and Romance Languages. We funded

Romance Languages and Mathematics without revision; we asked for and received revision of the History proposal and the Philosophy proposals. Because the History revision was stronger than that from Philosophy, we funded it and denied the Philosophy. The three proposals we funded involve prominent visitors, both national and international, and a critical mass of UC faculty (from several departments) and students.

The seminar from Mathematics to be run by Jintai Ding on *Post-quantum Cryptography*, will bring together scholars from Taiwan, Germany, and the PRC. Taft Professor Armando Romero will convene a seminar on the *Contemporary Spanish American Narrative* and bring together scholars from Argentina, Venezuela, and Columbia. Dr. Elisabeth Frierson will oversee *Popular Culture in the Middle East and North Africa: Interdisciplinary Studies* which plans to link interest from area colleges and universities with the three scholars anchoring the seminar.

Both of the 2006-7 research seminars reported significant success. Prof. Michele Vialet's seminar on *Racism in French and Francophone Literatures* energized collaborations between UC faculty and outside scholars that will become lasting. The seminar on *Analysis and Control of Nonlinear Dispersive Wave Equations* has led to several submitted articles. Profs. Bingyu Zhang and Michelle Vialet reported that the visiting scholars were very pleased with the quality of the students and faculty members with which they interacted. Both seminars have enhanced the reputations of our programs in these departments and research areas.

Summary

In sum, the funded proposals demonstrate that the Taft Research Center plays a significant role in supporting the ongoing research of faculty, helping to enhance their reputation and the reputation of the university, regionally, nationally and internationally. The demand in the research cost support category highlighted the increasing need for these resources, but also focused the committee on the need to bring greater clarity to this category so that rigorous review can be sustained. Originally, this budget line was set aside as a library purchase fund. In the late 1990s, the research support committee was created and charged with review. At the time, the allowable expenses were expanded beyond library holdings. Over the past several years, requests in categories other than library purchases have increased dramatically and raised a more fundamental issue of how to compare research expenses that were in fact quite different. Upon the recommendation of the Faculty Chair, the committee and the Faculty Executive Board approved a significant revision to this fund line. Beginning in 2007-8 there will be three distinct program categories with their own guidelines, cover sheets, and deadlines. Collections, Direct Research Costs, and Research Collaboration will now be reviewed separately with fewer deadlines. This will now rationalize comparison (apples to apples) and allow the committee to assess proposals in larger numbers against the allotted budget line. We expect this to improve the functioning of this support category significantly.

B. Conferences and Lectures Committee (7% of the Fund)

The committee consisted of Laura Jenkins, Chair (Political Science), Dennis O'Neill (Economics), Carlos Gutierrez (Romance Languages and Literature), and Jay Twomey (English and Comparative Literature). 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, cosponsored by the offices of the Provost, the Acting Vice President for Research, the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and the Dean of the College of Medicine, to host the conference, "*Race in the Age of Genomic Medicine: The Science and its Application.*" Taft supported an award of \$10,000 for this conference, which was held in April 2007. This conference brought together interdisciplinary faculty from Columbia, Stanford and Berkeley and a variety of other institutions with UC faculty from both East and West campuses.

In addition to the sixteen departmental lectures (paid for with funds allocated to the departments), the demand for competitive lectures remained high, with the committee supporting thirteen lectures through our competitive fund. The competitive lectures came from three different Taft departments.

Summary

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 (12% of the Fund)

The Major Awards Committee was responsible for two programs: the Department Enhancement Award and the Taft Professorship. The committee did not meet this year since we had no openings in the Taft Professorships and the DEA program was closed after the 2003-4 academic year and thus all programs funded have met their required three years of reporting. The Faculty Executive Board, therefore, revised the Taft By-laws and removed this committee. In its place, a new by-law was added specifying the constitution of the Taft Professor Search Committee and its processes for selection. This committee will only be called into service if an opening occurs among the 5 Taft professorships.

V. The Annual Research Symposium

As a new feature of the Taft Research Center, each year we now highlight our research activity in an Annual Symposium held in early May. In our second year, we determined to bring campus focus to the breadth of our programming and expanded from a day event in 2006 to a three-day set of presentations. Over the course of eighteen hours, all six Taft Faculty Fellows and fifteen Taft Dissertation Fellows presented their work. The addition of our Dissertation Fellows was an important expansion. Designation as a Taft Dissertation Fellow singles out students in each of their respective departments as the best. The Annual Symposium presentation provided each department the opportunity to have their graduate students at earlier stages of research come and see collectively the type of innovative research to which we want them to aspire. It also provided each Dissertation Fellow the challenge of arranging their work for a multidisciplinary audience. During the year, the Faculty Chair ran a seminar with the DFs that examined differences between disciplinary and multidisciplinary presentations. The DFs reported that this culminating event was a highlight of their graduate experience and the Board determined that this will remain a permanent feature of the Symposium. The Board also adopted a planning principle that every other year we will seek to have the Symposium augmented with a public lecture from a high profile public humanities speaker. The Board is still considering how best to highlight our new Undergraduate Senior Research fellowship and inclusion in the Symposium is one option. The three days proved to be an enjoyable intellectual retreat for our faculty and students.

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. What became clear in 2006-7 is that the physical infrastructure of the Taft Center has supported the development of a true intellectual “sense of place.” The facilities of the Center are under constant use. Many days, Taft House is managing multiple events from lectures, seminars, and meetings. A most important development that continued apace from our first year was the use of the facility by adhoc research groups and faculty clusters that were not directly funded programs. Faculty are simply gathering and this is a very important leveraging of the physical presence. One of the mid-range goals of the Center is to create a culture of multidisciplinary. This will prove easier to set as a goal than to accomplish as disciplinary demands and structures remain. However, the first two years are clear indications that broadening interactions are possible (and taking place) when an identifiable place exists to support such exchanges.

Of course the other major component of the Center is the manifestation of a Taft intellectual community in the form of our visiting residential program. In 2006-7, we accommodated six Visiting Taft Faculty Fellows, who 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 reported how pleased they were with the experience. Each confirmed that they left for home with a tremendous respect for the quality of faculty and students at UC. The opportunity to shape how the external academic world views UC and our Taft faculty and students is of critical importance and will prove to be a significant annual accomplishment of the Taft Research Center.

It is important to note that part of having a productive intellectual experience rests on having a comfortable and pleasant

living experience. The administration of Taft House residential living takes significant time and the two graduate support positions we now have in place are vital. The Faculty Chair does need to play a role in managing the facility, however, in conjunction with the property manager and that will remain a “job requirement” for the foreseeable future. The residential component has also added to the Taft Secretary’s role as invariably that position becomes the first point of contact when residential issues arise.

VII. The Budget

After our first year of operation, the Faculty Executive Board was in a position to assess our budget category allocations and propose a budget for 2006-7 that guided our operations during the second year. Overall, the restructuring of the budget was very effective and we were able to anticipate demand in many of our programs. A trend has developed in Faculty conference travel, graduate student travel, and research support (collections purchase, direct research costs, and research collaboration) that indicate a steady rising demand. For the first time (as far as we can find in Memorial Fund records) we were forced to suspend the final Spring submission rounds in Faculty Domestic Conferences and Graduate Conference Travel for lack of funds. In both of these cases, we received applications that would have exceeded budget limits by 50%. In Research Support, we were able to reallocate from other categories to cover worthy proposals that exceed the budget by over 100%. The budget line for domestic conference travel has not increased for four years and thus an increase is considered necessary at this time.

In addition to program demand, the ability of the Taft Center to leverage the Memorial Fund to increase the prestige and profile impact of the ten Taft disciplines requires us to consider national trends among the elite Humanities Centers in the country. Specifically, we need to ensure that the honoraria levels we use to attract highly recognized scholars from outside UC to lectures as well as the research seminars and the fellowships we can offer faculty and students (to attract and retain the best) remain competitive nationally. The Executive Board, therefore, examined the budget and determined that a two-year cycle of budget adjustment could be adopted as our operating model. In even years, we would plan honoraria/fellowship levels and in odd years evaluate travel and research cost support programs for possible adjustments. This model would improve upon past practices of retaining budget lines for many years and then requesting significant adjustment in favor of a model in which small but regular growth is attempted.

VIII. 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.

In 2006-7, the Faculty Chair supported three major projects that enhanced the Taft Research Center’s outreach to other institutions in Public Humanities academic settings. In autumn quarter, we partnered with the Taft Museum of Art’s celebration of the Robert S. Duncanson Society’s 20th Anniversary and brought two Duncanson lecturers to the Taft Research Center for a joint public lecture/reading of works (Ruth and Giovanni) with 125 people in attendance. Taft Museum publicity highlighted the Research Center’s support. In the winter, we linked with the Celtic Studies of North America, which held an international meeting downtown at the Netherland Hotel. This two-day event brought academics from Ireland, the United Kingdom and the West Coast of the United States to Cincinnati. In the spring, we hosted a TownHall meeting of 100 students and the public community on political reform efforts in the League of Women Voter’s Project imPACT. This gave us an opportunity to interact with a Joyce Foundation project of regional importance and it provided the Taft Research Center state-wide recognition through the LWV’s website.

IX. Phase Two

The second year of the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center was a success both in consolidating the new dynamics of the Center from our first year experience and continuing that momentum with expansion of new programs in undergraduate research and community-oriented applied research. Phase One (originally conceived as a five year interval, but completed in two) – the creation and opening of the Taft Research Center – has positioned us for our second phase that must now focus on constituting a national and international presence across our ten Taft disciplines. The emergence of academic reputation will rest primarily on the quality and dissemination of the research we fund. The organizational issue for the next five years is how the Center, itself, can position faculty and students for academic prominence. This will require expansion of the Center’s core to include a full-time program officer position and the Board has authorized the Faculty Chair to dedicate time and energy in seeking external grant opportunities that might lead to an increase in the Center’s ability to find synergies across our programs, actively link our faculty with scholars external to UC and sustain those links into research collaborations, as well as position our students for success. This effort will take time, but the success of our first phase provides confidence that over the next decade the Taft Research Center can acquire a significant presence regionally, nationally, and globally. This effort should be aided as well through our partnership with the university, itself. The Taft Research Center was designated as a candidate for both internal reallocation of resources and external support in the University’s Academic Priorities Plan published in 2007 that will guide the University’s capital campaign. The Faculty Chair has begun meeting with UC Foundation and College development officers to leverage these university efforts on behalf of the Research Center. Success in acquiring these additional resources is not guaranteed, but the Executive Board is confident that external fund-raising efforts that leverage the distribution itself is a model that will assist in taking the Taft Research Center to the next level of academic prestige and excellence.

Respectfully submitted to the Trustees of the Charles Phelps Taft 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 2006-07

(2005-06 budget for informational purposes)

			<u>2005-06</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>06-07 Awards</u>
Conferences & Lectures	7%				
Lecture Hosting			\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,312
Lecture Publicity			\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 576
Departmental Allocation		10 @ \$3,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Competitive Lectures			\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 14,822
Conferences			\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000
Annual Symposium			\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 3,526
Total			\$ 82,000	\$ 82,000	\$ 61,235
Faculty Travel Awards	6%				
Conference Travel & Research Travel			\$ 50,000	\$ -	
Travel for Research			\$ -	\$ 12,500	\$ 19,159
International Conf			\$ -	\$ 37,500	\$ 39,903
Domestic Conf			\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 24,100
Total			\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000	\$ 83,162
Faculty Fellowship Awards	9%				
Summer Research Fellowships		12 @ \$6,500	\$ 78,000	\$ 78,000	\$ 78,000
Faculty Release Fellowships		5 @ \$5,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
Research Supplements			\$ 11,500	\$ 11,500	\$ 9,500
old-CFF research supplements			\$ -	\$ -	
old-Research grant supplements			\$ -	\$ -	
Fringe Benefits for Research Grants (Student Rate 4.5%)			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total			\$ 114,500	\$ 114,500	\$ 112,500
Center Fellows Award	7%				
Center Fellows			\$ 91,050	\$ 91,050	\$ 90,660
Major Awards	12%				
Departmental Enhancement Awards			\$ 135,000	\$ 135,000	\$ 81,990
Taft Professors		5 @ \$4,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Total			\$ 155,000	\$ 155,000	\$ 101,990
Publications	1%				
Subventions			\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,000
Taft House Library Binding			\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
Total			\$ 11,200	\$ 11,200	\$ 6,000
Research Support	25%				
Departmental Allocated		10 @ \$ 4,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
Special Requests			\$ 96,000	\$ 96,000	\$ 190,052
Cost Sharing			\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 23,452
Taft Research Seminars			\$ 132,000	\$ 132,000	\$ 108,500
Total			\$ 313,000	\$ 313,000	\$ 362,004

TAFT MEMORIAL FUND BUDGET FOR 2006-07

(2005-06 budget for informational purposes)

			<u>2005-06</u>		<u>2006-07</u>		<u>06-07 Awards</u>
Student Awards	32%						
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%)		\$	-	\$	-		
Graduate Enhancement Fellowships		\$	125,000	\$	125,000	\$	125,000
Graduate Student Travel		\$	20,000	\$	12,500	\$	13,112
Graduate Enrichment		\$	20,000	\$	22,500	\$	22,183
Grad Fellows Colloquium		\$	1,500	\$	1,500	\$	35
Taft Center Grad Fellowship		\$	12,500	\$	12,500	\$	12,500
Undergraduate Enrichment Awards		\$	20,000	\$	25,000	\$	18,351
Total		\$	398,000	\$	398,000	\$	390,181
Miscellaneous	2%						
Staff Compensation		\$	16,748	\$	16,748	\$	18,174
Fringe Benefits for Staff (36%)		\$	7,621	\$	7,621	\$	8,334
Chair's Contingency		\$	381	\$	381	\$	9,683
Supplies/Office		\$	1,500	\$	1,500	\$	1,728
Total		\$	26,250	\$	26,250	\$	37,919
Total Allocated		\$	1,261,000	\$	1,261,000	\$	1,245,651

**DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIPS
2007-08**

English and Comparative Literature

Sarah Domet

Project Title: *The Black Canary: A Short Story Collection; A Woman's Tradition*

German Studies

Andrea Engels

Project Title: *W.G. Sebald's After Nature*

Wolfgang Lueckel

Project Title: *Atomic Abyss - Nuclear Fiction German Literature, Film, and Culture*

History

Priyanka Srivastava

Project Title: *Gender and Labor in the Bombay Textile Industry, 1900-1984*

Mathematical Sciences

David Freeman

Project Title: *Geometric Properties of Bilipschitz Homogeneous Spaces*

Yan Jin

Project Title: *Bayesian Solution to the Repeated Measure Analysis with Values below LoD*

Crystal Updegrove

Project Title: *Root-finding Over Finite Fields with Applications of Cryptography*

Philosophy

Aaron Kostko

Project Title: *Levels of Explanation in Psychiatry*

Political Science

Bart Alan Biroshak

Project Title: *Mobilization and Youth Political Engagement: Where Popular Culture and Politics Collide*

Romance Languages and Literature

Arturo Gutierrez

Project Title: *Poetic Representational Strategies of Daily Urban Life in 20th Century Venezuelan Poetry*

Marcelo Rioseco

Project Title: *Playful Elements in Three Authors of the Chilean Post-Vanguard: Juan Luis Martinez, Diego Maquieira*

Julio Quintero

Project Title: *The Representation of the Poet in Contemporary Latin-American Novel*

Sociology

Lisa Fisher

Project Title: *Flexible Work Arrangements, Work Processes and Job Design: Implications for Work Family Study*

Michael Wehrman

Project Title: *Race and Sex Differences in Recidivism: the Impact of Concentrated Disadvantage*

**GRADUATE TRAVEL AWARDS
2006 - 2007**

Anthropology

Sheli DeLancy Tampa, FL \$279
Project Title: *Risk Perception, Safety, and Health Among Mexican Women in Cincinnati and Oaxaca*

Britteny Howell Philadelphia, PA \$228
Project Title: *Human Decapitation at Amato, Peru*

Melony Stambaugh Minneapolis, MN \$415
Project Title: *Gender and Age: Roles of a Modern American Indian Pow Wow*

English

Lora Arduser New York, NY \$500
Project Title: *Spoiled Identity and the National Diabetes Education Program: A Rhetorical Analysis*

Jessica Cornelson Atlanta, GA \$450
Project Title: *Re-Visioning Poetics*

Sarah Domet Atlanta, GA \$500
Project Title: *An "A" for Effort: Identity Production and Grading in a Creative Writing Classroom*

Cynthia King Atlanta, GA \$336
Project Title: *Vanquishing the Cliché*

Julianne Lynch Atlanta, GA \$500
Project Title: *Exploring Shape in Short Fiction*

Katherine Polak Atlanta, GA \$461
Project Title: *The Tarot as a Tool for Imagery. Archetype and Research: An Exercise*

Madhudaya Sinya Riverside, CA \$500
Project Title: *Africa, Hunting, and the Feminine Other in Rider Haggard's She*

Daniel Smith Grand Rapids, MI \$500
Project Title: *These Communist Foreigners: Aggressive Nationalist Zeal in Wise Blood*

M. Elizabeth Tilton Tuscon, AZ \$500
Project Title: *Out of Cubero: Paula Gunn Allen's Map of the World*

Suzanne Warren Louisville, KY \$327
Project Title: *The Sound that Broke the Back of Words: Glossolalia and Traumatic Storytelling in Toni Morrison's Beloved and Love and War Among the Fireflies*

Jillian Weise Carbondale, IL \$500
Project Title: *Crime and Punishment: The Supreme Court Case of Buck v. Bell and the Ethics of Sterilization*

Ann Hamill	Chicago, IL	\$500
Project Title: <i>A Historical Comparative Analysis of the Framing of a Social Problem: Idiocy in the 19th Century and Retardation in the 20th</i>		
James Park	Philadelphia, PA	\$500
Project Title: <i>It Has Nothing to Do with Race. It's Just Culture: The use of cultural purity in immigration rhetoric</i>		
Rachel Sebastian	Philadelphia, PA	\$500
Project Title: <i>Parents' Choices of Childcare: Predicting the Use of Center-Based Care and Parenting Orientation</i>		

Priyanka Srivastava	London, UK	\$2,500
Project Title: <i>Gender and Labor in Bombay Textile Industry, 1870-1947</i>		
Mathematical Sciences		
Christopher Camfield	Jyvaskyla and Saariselka, Finland	\$300
Project Title: <i>Functions of Bounded Variation in Metric Measure Spaces</i>		
Romance Languages and Literatures		
Martin Cervetto	Lima, Peru	\$2,469
Project Title: <i>A New Edition of Luis Hernandez's Poetry</i>		
Elisabet Rodriguez	Cuba	\$1,150
Project Title: <i>Traditional Economical Activities in Cuba. Strategies to Ameliorate Effects of Neoliberalism. The Impact of the Economy on the Identity of Cuban Society</i>		
Sociology		
Stephan F. Groschwitz	El Salvador	\$1,500
Project Title: <i>Social Representations of Globalization: Contrasting and Comparing the United States and El Salvador</i>		
Micah Holland	El Salvador	\$1,500
Project Title: <i>Rethinking the Role of Foreign Investment and International Lenders in Developing Economies</i>		

**GRADUATE ENHANCEMENT
2006 – 2007**

Anthropology

Kevin Magee	\$4,927
Pamela Vierheller	\$4,927

Economics

Kdavita Bhatt	\$2,022
Ujjaini Ganguly	\$3,429
Jianxiong Lei	\$3,429
Kirilka Simeonova	\$3,429
Nimesh Jayasekara Weerawarna	\$3,429

English and Comparative Literature

Jesseca Cornelson	\$2,000
Erica Dawson	\$2,000
Sarah Domet	\$2,000
Charles Green	\$3,000
Peter Grimes	\$2,000
Sophia Kartsonis	\$3,000
Kristi Maxwell	\$2,000
Kevin Oberlin	\$4,000
Michael Rerick	\$2,000
Linda Torok	\$2,000

German Studies

Julia Baker	\$1,833
Andrea Engels	\$1,833
Eric Urbaniak	\$1,834

History

Angela Brockman	\$5,000
Daniel Glenn	\$6,000
David Merkowitz	\$6,000
Priyanka Srivastava	\$5,000

Mathematics

John Baena-Girlado	\$1,000
Daniel Cabarcas	\$1,000
Chris Camfield	\$2,000
John Case	\$1,000
David Freeman	\$1,000
Yan Jin	\$1,000
Xiangxiang Meng	\$1,000
Mauricio Osoriolema	\$1,000
Lena Spargo	\$1,000
Zeynep Teymuroglu	\$1,000
Crystal Updegrove	\$1,000
Ishwarya Vardhani	\$1,000

Bogdan Visinescu	\$1,900
John Wagner	\$2,400
Huaizhou Wang	\$1,000
Xiaoxia Wang	\$1,000
Benjamin Weaver	\$1,000
Yang Xiao	\$1,000
Zhijun Yin	\$1,000
Philosophy	
Viorel Paslaru	\$5,100
Political Science	
Marjon Kamrani	\$3,000
Brad Nestheide	\$3,000
Aileen Wang	\$3,000
Romance Languages and Literatures	
Diego Garcia	\$2,100
Rafael Garcia	\$4,000
Arturo Gutierrez	\$2,100
Iren Ivantcheva	\$6,100
Maria Ortiz	\$2,100
Julio Quintero	\$2,100
Marcelo Rioseco	\$6,100
Sociology	
Ryan Cragun	\$1,500
Marcella Cameron	\$2,400
Ying Ma	\$1,500

**UNDERGRADUATE ENRICHMENT AWARDS
2006 - 2007**

English

Ann M. Kasprzak Berlin, Germany \$2,000
Project Title: *Berlin Program*

German Studies & History

Graham Hentschel Middlebury, VT \$2,000
Project Title: *Middlebury German Language School*

History

Kendal L. Holt, Jr. Irving, TX \$676
Project Title: *Scouting Goes to War: The Contributions of the Boy Scouts of America During World War II*

Trisha Myers Istanbul, Turkey \$2,000
Project Title: *Turkish Intensive Language Program Summer 2007*

Mathematical Sciences

Daniel Carney Theran, Iran \$2,000
Project Title: *String Theory: An Introduction at the Institute for Studies in Theoretical Physics and Mathematics in Tehran*

Political Science

Jessica Pauley Aspra Kentucky \$350
Project Title: *National Education for Women Leadership Kentucky*

Andrea England Japan, Europe, & Dubai, United Arab Emirates \$2,000
Project Title: *Inside Looking Out: Gaining the Global Perspective (Study Abroad)*

Alan Grove Montreal and St. Louis \$ 794
Project Title: *State Factors in the Nuclear Weapons Debate: Case Studies in the Proliferation and Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons*

Alan Grove Annapolis, Maryland \$ 419
Project Title: *Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Conference - Proliferation: North Korea Nuclear Crisis*

Laura McNair Capetown, South Africa \$2,000
Project Title: *AIDS Awareness in South Africa*

Elizabeth Morgan Prague, Czech Republic \$2,000
Project Title: *International Youth Leadership Conference*

Daniel A. Wenzel Germany \$2,000
Project Title: *UC in Berlin 2007 A Study Tour of Germany's New/Old Capital*

Romance Languages and Literatures

Kimberly K. Bauer Ocatal, Nicaragua \$1,100
Project Title: *Nicaraguan Culture and Social Service Project*

Meredith Blackmore	Chile	\$1,700
Project Title: <i>Study Abroad in Latin America: Chile</i>		
Elizabeth Burnett	Guatemala	\$1,106
Project Title: <i>Service Learning Study Abroad Habitat for Humanity Guatemala</i>		
Lindsay M. Krall	Buenos Aires, Argentina	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>International Study Abroad in Argentina as an Honors Special Topics Seminar</i>		
Julie Lessard	Guatemala	\$1,106
Project Title: <i>Service Learning Study Abroad Habitat for Humanity Guatemala</i>		
Sociology		
Kimberly Burgas	Sana'a, Yemen	\$2,000
Project Title: <i>Modern Standard Arabic Language Immersion in Sana'a, Yeman</i>		
Angela M. Conley	El Salvador	\$700
Project Title: <i>El Salvador Study Tour</i>		
Nathan P. Diller	El Salvador	\$1,500
Project Title: <i>El Salvador Study tour</i>		

**FACULTY AWARDS
2006 - 2007**

HUMANITIES

**ENGLISH AND COMPARATIVE LITERATURE (68 FACULTY) 23 GRANTS AWARDED FOR
A TOTAL OF \$70,442**

Domestic Conference Grant Grant

Jonathan Alexander	Detroit, MI	\$300
Project Title: <i>Game On: Designing Games and Exploring Literacy in an Advanced Composition Class and Technologies of the Self: Toward a Post-Cyborgian Methodology of Understanding</i>		
Don Bogen	Bellevue, Washington	\$625
Project Title: <i>Reading of Translations from Poems of Julio Martinez Mesanza</i>		
Brock Clarke	Atlanta, GA	\$530
Project Title: <i>Avoiding Ineptitude: Teaching Fiction Writing to Beginners</i>		
Stanely Corkin	Chicago, IL	\$400
Project Title: <i>"Blackness in (and out of) the Wide Open Spaces of Harlem: The Genre of Black Exploitation and the Rhetoric of Urban Decline"</i>		
Amy Elder	Morgantown, WV	\$260
Project Title: <i>Post Modern Narratives as Political assertion in Yvonne Vera's The Stone Virgins</i>		
Deborah Meem	Lexington, KY	\$180
Project Title: <i>The Problem of Authority in Linton's Realities, or, Can a New Edition Rehabilitate and Old Failure</i>		
Lisa Meloncon	San Antonio, TX	\$552
Project Title: <i>The Da Vinci Code: A Pedagogical Framework for Teaching Visual Communication</i>		
Laura Micciche	New York, NY	\$445
Project Title: <i>A Better Way to Live? on Composition's Metonymic Tendencies</i>		
Leland Person	San Diego, CA	\$539
Project Title: <i>The Ways of the Hour: Cooper's Scarlet Letter</i>		
Kathryn Rentz	San Antonio, TX	\$499
Project Title: <i>The Impact of Journal Rankings on Business/Management Communication Academics</i>		
Lucy Schultz	New York City, NY	\$445
Project Title: <i>Reconstructing an Archival Collection</i>		
Michael Sheehy	San Francisco, CA	\$660
Project Title: <i>Unnamed Sources in the Washington Post, 1970-2000</i>		
Jay Twomey	Washington, DC	\$350
Project Title: <i>Theory and Literary Appropriations of Paul</i>		

Barbara Wenner	Lexington, KY	\$135
Project Title: <i>Framed in the Landscape of Ann Radcliffe's Mysteries of Udolpho</i>		
Barbara Wenner	Atlanta, GA	\$565
Project Title: <i>Sarah Harriet Burney: "Queerness" Competes with Her Sister</i>		
International Conference Grant Grant		
Don Bogen	Granada, Nicaragua	\$870
Project Title: <i>Bilingual Poetry Readings</i>		
Research Travel Grant Grant		
John Drury	Monterey, CA	\$1,087
Project Title: <i>Research for two Chapters of <u>The Bad Soldier</u></i>		
Center Fellowship		
Stanley Corkin		\$16,500
Project Title: <i>Starring New York, as itself: Film, Globalization and Cultural Narratives of Decline and Rebirth 1969-1981</i>		
Michael Griffith		\$16,500
Project Title: <i>God's Own Vengeance: Nat Turner and the Southampton Slave Revolt of 1831</i>		
Summer Research Fellowship		
Jonathan Alexander	Cincinnati	\$6,500
Project Title: <i>Gaming, Student Literacy and the Composition Classroom: Some Possibilities for Transformation</i>		
Julia Carlson	Cincinnati & England	\$8,000
Project Title: <i>Romantic Emphasis: Wordsworth's Poetry and the Marks of Culture, 1750-1850</i>		
Amy Elder	Cincinnati	\$6,500
Project Title: <i>Orature, Postmodernism and African Fiction: Ben Okri, Yvonne Vera, B. Koko Laing</i>		
Barbara Wenner	London, UK	\$8,000
Project Title: <i>Parts Beyond the Sea: Foreign Landscapes as Perceived by Early British Women Travelers</i>		
GERMAN STUDIES (7 FACULTY) 6 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$11,644		
Domestic Conference Grant Grant		
Sara Friedrichsmeyer	Pittsburgh, PA	\$474
Project Title: <i>W. G. Sebald's Herrings and Silkworms</i>		
Katharina Gerstenberger	Pittsburgh, PA	\$341
Project Title: <i>Coming and Going: the Politics in Martina Hefter's Zuruck auf Los</i>		
International Conference Grant Grant		
Todd Herzog	Chicago, IL	\$329
Project Title: <i>The Advantages and Disadvantages of Being Undisciplined: Interdisciplinary Programs and Experimental Learning Abroad</i>		

Richard Schade Bremen, Germany \$500
 Project Title: *Grass's Shame, Germany's Shame: American Media Coverage of the Waffen SS Revelation*

Research Travel Grant Grant

Todd Herzog Vienna, Austria \$3,500
 Project Title: *The Films of Michael Haneke*

Faculty Release Fellowships

Todd Herzog \$6,500
 Project Title: *The Cinema of Michael Haneke*

HISTORY (21 FACULTY) 29 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$87,655

Domestic Conference Grant Grant

Edward Ross Dickinson Pittsburgh, PA \$279
 Project Title: *Germanizing the Alps and Alpinizing the Germans: Race and Attitude, 1875 - 1935 -- plus comment on panel "Indulgent Mothers, Good Midwives, Concerned Social Workers"*

Martin Francis Boston, MA \$489
 Project Title: *Men of the Royal Air Force, the Cultural Memory of World War Two and the Twilight of the British Empire*

Elizabeth Frierson Boston, MA \$459
 Project Title: *Urban Violence and Public Order in the Ottoman Empire 18th - 20th Centuries (Chair/Discussant) and Consuming Identities: Photography and Line Drawings in Ottoman Periodicals' Advertising 1890 - 1923*

Eran Kaplan San Diego, CA \$700
 Project Title: *Capturing the Real: Dover Koshashvili and Cinema*

Wendy Kline Philadelphia, PA \$360
 Project Title: *Childbirth Made Difficult: Raising Consciousness on the Delivery Table*

Maura O'Connor Cambridge, MA \$460
 Project Title: *Why Compare? Semi-plenary Panel Reorienting Our Approach: An Example from the London Stock Exchange*

Hilda Smith Salem, MA \$485
 Project Title: *What did it mean to be an "intellectual" for Margaret Cavendish*

David Stradling Bar Harbor, ME \$473
 Project Title: *Conservation in the City: Solving the Problems of the Cuyahoga*

Willard Sunderland Minneapolis, MN \$520
 Project Title: *Baron Ugern's Eurasia*

Joseph Takougang (African American Studies) Winston-Salem, NC \$450
 Project Title: *Settlement Patterns and the Role of Organizations Among African Immigrants in the United States*

International Conference Grant

Steven Bowman	Moscow and Petersburg, Russia	\$1,100
Project Title: <i>Messianism and the Medieval Polemic in Sefer Yosippon</i>		
Isaac Campos-Costero	Montreal, Canada	\$879
Project Title: <i>Degeneration, Prisons and Marijuana: How Mexicans Came to Fear and Loath the Marihuano</i>		
Man Bun Kwan	Shanghai, China	\$2,150
Project Title: <i>Jiuda Salt Refinery, the National Refined Salt Board, and the Republican Government and Beyond Chandler: Some Thoughts about Chinese Business History</i>		
Mark Lause	Edinburgh, Scotland	\$1,591
Project Title: <i>Circle and Masonic-inspired Societies in the Unmaking of the United States</i>		
James Murray	Helsinki, Finland	\$1,302
Project Title: <i>Money and Its Discontents: Trade Communities and Finance in Late Medieval Bruges</i>		
James Murray	Toronto, CA	\$710
Project Title: <i>Cloth and Economic Crisis in the 14th Century Flanders</i>		
Geoffrey Plank	Oxford and York, UK	\$1,390
Project Title: <i>Autobiography and Anti-Slavery: John Woolman and His Journal</i>		
Geoffrey Plank	Oxford and York, UK	\$1,185
Project Title: <i>The First Person in Anti-Slavery Literature: John Woolman and the Politics of the British Slave Trade</i>		
Hilda Smith	Sheffield, England	\$1,550
Project Title: <i>Margaret Cavendish and Thomas Hobbe's de Cive and Elements of Law</i>		
Willard Sunderland	Vladivostok, Russia	\$724
Project Title: <i>Baron Ungern's Eurasia</i>		
Tracy Teslow	Vancouver, Canada	\$1,049
Project Title: <i>Race-Mixing: travelogues, potboilers and popular anthropology</i>		
Research Travel Grant		
Edward Ross Dickinson	Cambridge, MA	\$1,000
Project Title: <i>Altitude and Whiteness: Mountains in the German and European Racial Imagination, 1880 - 1939</i>		
Julian Wuerth	Berlin and Marburg, Germany	\$3,350
Project Title: <i>Kant's Paralogisms</i>		
Center Fellowship		
Maura O'Connor		\$16,500
Project Title: <i>The London Stock Exchange and Geographies of Risk and Investment in the Nineteenth Century</i>		

Hilda Smith \$16,500
 Project Title: *Not the Less True: Women Intellectuals and constraints of Intellectual History*

Faculty Release Fellowship

Wendy Kline \$7,000
 Project Title: *Bodies of Evidence: How the Women's Health Movement Changed America*

David Stradling \$7,000
 Project Title: *Cleveland's Burning River: The Cuyahoga and the Environmental Crisis*

Summer Research Fellowship

Isaac Campos-Costero Cincinnati, OH \$8,000
 Project Title: *Marijuana, Madness and Modernity in Global Mexico, 1545-1940*

Martin Francis London, UK \$8,000
 Project Title: *An Unexpected Cosmopolitanism: Restoring the Presence of Continental Europe in Postwar British Culture*

PHILOSOPHY (13 FACULTY) 9 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$51,546**Domestic Conference Grant Grant**

Christopher Gauker Atlanta, GA \$495
 Project Title: *Similarity and Seeing-As*

International Conference Grant Grant

Christopher Gauker Freie Universitaet, Berlin, Germany \$637
 Project Title: *A Semantics for Indirect Discourse*

John Martin Helsinki, Finland and Hejnice, Czech Republic \$2,500
 Project Title: *The Lover of the Beautiful God and Existential Import in the Port Royal Logic*

Thomas Polger Vancouver, Canada \$1,000
 Project Title: *Two Confusions Concerning Multiple Realization*

Robert Richardson Vancouver, Canada \$914
 Project Title: *Autonomy and Multiple Realization at a symposium on Multiple Relizability, Explanation and the Special Sciences*

Center Fellowship

John McEvoy \$16,500
 Project Title: *Historiography of Chemical Revolution: Patterns of Interpretation in the History of Science*

Thomas Polger \$16,500
 Project Title: *Realization and Explanation*

Summer Research Fellowship

Robert Skipper \$6,500
 Project Title: *R. A. Fisher's One Long Argument for Neo-Darwinism*

Julian Wuerth \$6,500
 Project Title: *Kant's Theory of Action, a section of a larger project/book entitled Kant's Early Philosophy of Mind*

ROMANCE LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES (26 FACULTY) 8 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$8,360

Domestic Conference Grant Grant

Therese Migraine George Eugene, Oregon \$660
 Project Title: *From Traversee de la mangrove to Histoire de la femme canibale: Art as "Miraculous Weapon" in Maryse Conde's Work*

Fenfang Hwu Texas State University at San Marcos \$700
 Project Title: *Personality and Learning: Designing Call for Different Learners*

Maria Paz Moreno Denton, TX \$469
 Project Title: *Melting Pot a la espanola: Inmigracion y Realidad social en las cartas de Alou and Flores del otro mundo; Melting Pot, Spanish Style: Immigration and Social Reality in Las Cartas de Alou and Flores del Otro Mundo*

Michele Vialet Morgantown, WV \$396
 Project Title: *West African Writers in Post-Genocide Rwanda*

International Conference Grant Grant

Carlos Guitierrez Alcala de Henares, Madrid, Spain \$684
 Project Title: *La Incripcion autorial cervantina*

Maria Paz Moreno Paris, France \$1,027
 Project Title: *Huan Gil-Albert's Unpublished Correspondence: Letters from Salvador Moreno, Jaime Gil de Biedma and Maria Zambrano*

Armando Romero Mexico City, Morelia, Patzcuaro, Mexico \$924
 Project Title: *Poetry readings and round table on the work of the Mexican poet Jose E Pacheco*

Research Travel Grant

Nicasio Urbina Nicaragua and Guatemala \$3,500
 Project Title: *The New Central American Novel; The Silent Boom*

SOCIAL SCIENCES

ANTHROPOLOGY (9 FACULTY) – 3 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$4,013

Domestic Conference Grant

Martha Rees San Jose, California \$700
 Project Title: *Campo or Hogar: He says, She says, in the Valleys of Oaxaca, Mexico*

Vernon Scarborough Austin, TX \$604
 Project Title: *Water Scarcity and Abundance: The Rate of Process of Cultural Pathways*

Research Travel Grant

Martha Rees Mexico \$2,709
 Project Title: *Latinas in Cincinnati*

ECONOMICS (18 FACULTY) 1 GRANT AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$6,500**Summer Research Fellowship**

Christelle Viauroux \$6,500
 Project Title: *Job Matching Through Occupational Choice*

POLITICAL SCIENCE (13 FACULTY) 4 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,753**Domestic Conference Grant**

George Bishop Philadelphia, PA \$470
 Project Title: *Presidential Approval Ratings: Meaning, Measurement and Validity and The Illusion of Public Opinion: Synopsis and Prognosis*

Dinshaw Mistry Philadelphia, PA \$554
 Project Title: *Proliferatioins, Sanctions and the U.S.-India Nuclear Agreement*

Stephen Mockabee Philadelphia, PA \$249
 Project Title: *Presidential Approval Ratings: Meaning, Measurement and Validity*

Thomas Moore Philadelphia, PA \$480
 Project Title: *Cooperating to Compete: East Asian Regionalism in Chinese Foreign Policy*

SOCIOLOGY (13 FACULTY) 8 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$19,033**Domestic Conference Grant**

Annulla Linders Philadelphia, PA \$440
 Project Title: *Watching an Execution: A Duty or A Privilege*

Jennifer Malat Boston, MA \$660
 Project Title: *White's Demands for Care as an Explanation for Racial Inequality in Treatment*

Kelly Moore Philadelphia, PA \$434
 Project Title: *Nature, Culture and Machines in the Urban Ecovillage Movement*

Jeffrey Timberlake New York, NY \$495
 Project Title: *Are Latinos Becoming White? Determinants of Latinos' Racial Self-Identification in the U.S.*

Rhys Williams Philadelphia, PA \$429
 Project Title: *The Languages of the Public Sphere: Religious Pluralism, Institutional Logics and Civil Society*

Research Travel Grant

David Maume Amsterdam, The Netherlands \$2,075
 Project Title: *The "Over-Paced" American: Recent Trends in the Intensification of Work*

Faculty Release Fellowship

Jennifer Malat \$6,500
 Project Title: *The Effect of Race in Interpersonal Interactions*

Summer Research Fellowship

Kelly Moore \$8,000
 Project Title: *Feeding the Nation: Science, Institutional Politics and the Development of National Nutrition Guidelines*

SCIENCES**MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES (47 FACULTY) 17 GRANTS AWARDED FOR A TOTAL OF \$34,318****Domestic Conference Grant**

Seongho Song Seattle, WA \$700
 Project Title: *Bayesian Inference for Estimating Migration Rate, Mutation Rate and Population Size in Microsatellite Loci*

Srdjan Stojanovic New York City \$700
 Project Title: *Stochastic Control Approach to Derivative Pricing and Hedging in the Incomplete Markets Modeled by General SDE Systems: An Overview and Application in FX Derivatives*

Bingyu Zhang Fayetteville, AR \$514
 Project Title: *Control and Stabilization of a Family of Boussinesq Systems*

Ning Zhong Gainesville, Florida \$400
 Project Title: *Computable Analysis of the Abstract Cauchy Problem in Banach Spaces and Its Implications*

Xiaoding Lin Seattle, WA \$700
 Project Title: *Measurement Issues in Metabolomic Data*

Siva Sivaganesan Atlanta, GA \$550
 Project Title: *Subgroup Analysis - a Stylized Bayes Approach*

International Conference Grant

Jintai Ding Beijing, China \$1,700
 Project Title: *HOLE Attack on Multivariate Public Key Cryptosystems*

Donald French Zurich, Switzerland \$2,319
 Project Title: *Numerical Approximation of Solutions to Nonlinear Inverse Problems Arising in Olfaction Experimentation*

David Herron Helsinki, Finland \$2,500
 Project Title: *Ahlfors Centennial Celebration*

James Osterburg Chennai, India \$2,200
 Project Title: *Final Value of the Polynomial Form*

Dan Ralescu	Arad, Romania	\$1,100
Project Title:	<i>Mixed Models of Uncertainty</i>	
Siva Sivaganesan	Rome, Italy	\$2,050
Project Title:	<i>Hierarchical Dirichlet Process and Its Application in Gene Clustering</i>	
Gary Weiss	Alberta, Canada	\$785
Project Title:	<i>3 Paving Small Matrices and the Kadison Singer Extension Problem</i>	
Bingyu Zhang	Beijing, China	\$1,600
Project Title:	<i>Forced Oscillations for a Class of Nonlinear Dispersive Wave Equations and their Stability</i>	
Research Travel Grant		
Xiaodong Lin	New Jersey	\$3,500
Project Title:	<i>Privacy Reserving Approaches for Integrating Medical Video Databases</i>	
Faculty Release Fellowship		
Gary Weiss		\$6,500
Project Title:	<i>Paving Small Matrices and the Kadison-Singer Extension Problem</i>	
Summer Research Fellowship		
Sengho Song		\$6,500
Project Title:	<i>Analysis of Genetic Diversity with the Exact Expressions of Moments for the Genetic Models in Geographically Structured Populations</i>	

**RESEARCH SUPPORT
SPECIAL REQUESTS
2006 - 2007**

Mathematical Sciences

Wlodzimierz Bryc \$3,160
Project Title: *Classical and Noncommutative markov Processes*

Magda Peligrad \$3,920
Project Title: *Invariance Principles under Martingale-like conditions*

Bingyu Zhang \$2,660
Project Title: *Problems of the Generalized Korteweg-de Vries Equations*

Political Science

Beth Honadle \$67,000
Project Title: *Ohio Political Landscape: A Multidisciplinary Research Initiative*

Stephen Mockabee \$2,100
Project Title: *Congressional party Polarization and the Personal Vote*

Romance Languages and Literatures

Michele Vialet \$2,100
Project Title: *African Writers and the Representation of Post-Colonial Africa*

Sociology

David Maume \$30,384
Project Title: *Non-Standard Schedules and the Work & Family Lives of Retail Food Workers*

**RESEARCH SUPPORT
LIBRARY PURCHASES
2006 - 2007**

History

Wayne Durrill

\$50,000

Project Title: *Sabin Americana, 1500-1926*

Mathematical Sciences

Timothy Hodges

\$29,628

Project Title: *Elsevier Mathematics Backfiles*

**RESEARCH SUPPORT
COST SHARING AWARD
2006 - 2007**

History

Edward Ross Dickinson \$6,400

Project Title: *Rethinking German Modernities Workshop #3*

Sigrun Haude \$7,052

Project Title: *Survival During the Thirty Years' War*

Geoffrey Plank \$10,000

Project Title: *Peace in the British Empire: John Woolman, Imperialism and the Peaceable Kingdom*

**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
2006 – 2007**

Anthropology

Brian Fagan, University of California, October 12, 2006 \$3,000
Summers and Ice Ages: Climate Change and Human Societies

Economics

Jennifer Reinganum, Vanderbilt University, October 20, 2006 \$1,000
Imperfect Competition and Quality Signaling

English and Comparative Literature

Sara Ahmed, Goldsmith College, University of London, April 26, 2007 \$3,000
The Promise of Happiness

German Studies

Thomas Meinecke, October 27, 2006 \$1,500
Between Future and Fatality - Thomas Meinecke read from his latest works Musik and Feldforschung

Elizabeth Bernhardt, Stanford University, April 6, 2007 \$1,500
World Languages Thriving in Contemporary University Settings

History

Lizabeth Cohen, Harvard University, May 9 & 10, 2007 \$3,000
Edward J. Logue and the Rebuilding of American Cities after World War II: Parts I and II

Mathematical Sciences

Alan F. Karr, National Institute of Statistical Sciences, May 8, 2007 \$1,500
What is Data Confidentiality and Why Should I Care?

Philosophy

Philip Kitcher, Columbia University, April 12, 2007 \$2,000
Race and Its Uses

Troy Duster, New York University and University of California, April 13, 2007 \$1,000
A Post-Genomic Surprise: The Molecular Reinscription of Race in Clinical Medicine and Forensic Science

Political Science

Todd Gitlin, Columbia University, February 1, 2007 \$3,000
Are the Media Liberal, Conservative, or Something Else?

Thazhkzhyl Paul, McGill University, Montreal May 16, 2007 \$1,500
Nuclear Taboo: The Tradition of non-use Nuclear Weapons

Romance Languages & Literatures

Isaac Goldemberg, Maria de Hostos Community College of the City University of New York, May 10, 2007 \$1,500
El gran libro de la literatura judia latioamericana

Judith Zinsser, Miami University, May 12, 2007 \$1,500
Emilie Du Chatelet's of the Entretiens sur la plaralite des mondes: Search for a Woman's Place in God's Cosmos

Sociology

Joel Best, University of Delaware, May 17, 2007 \$3,000
Alarmism in American Culture

**COMPETITIVE LECTURES
2006 - 2007**

English and Comparative Literature

Ann Thompson, King's College London, April 3, 2007 \$2,000
Who Needs Three Texts of Hamlet?

History

Natalie Z. Davis, University of Toronto and Princeton University, February 20, 2007 \$3,650
Philosophes, Jews, and Africans in Colonial Suriname: the Case of David Nassy

Cathy Frierson, University of New Hampshire, March 27, 2007 \$500
Orphans of Soviet Terror: Oral Testimonies of Moral Solitude

Carel Bertram, San Francisco State University, April 24, 2007 \$625
The Future of Armenian Memory

Ussama Makdisi, Rice University, May 1, 2007 \$1,401
America Before Anti-Americanism in the Arab World

Olivia R. Constable, University of Notre Dame, May 3, 2007 \$600
Inhibited Itineraries: Muslim Travel in Christian Lands in the Later Middle Ages

Heba el-Attar, Cleveland State University, May 7, 2007 \$650
Middle Easternization of Latin America: Cultural Strategies of Arab and Jewish Press in Chile

Lizabeth Cohen, Harvard University, May 9, 2007 \$1,195
Edward J. Logue and the Rebuilding of American Cities after World War II, parts I & II

Antoinette Burton, University of Illinois, June 1, 2007 \$1,500
The East as a Postcolonial Career: Gender, Empires, and the Cosmopolitan Expert

Ali Behdad, UCLA Department of English, September 27, 2007 \$1,500
Photography, Orientalism, and Modernity in Iran

Alan Taylor, University of California, Department of History, October 18, 2007 \$1,500
John Graves Simcoe's Counter-Revolution: The Northern Limits of the American Revolution

Romance Languages and Literatures

Santiago Fernandez-Mosquera, Universidade de Santiago de Compostela, Spain \$1,000
April 2, 2007
La tormenta en las cronicas de Indias (The Storm in the Chronicles of the Indies)

Daisy Zamora & George Evans, May 1, 2007 \$1,000
Poetry reading and discussion

CONFERENCES
2006 - 2007

Philosophy	\$10,000
Project Title: <i>Race in the Age of Genomic Medicine: The Science and its Application</i>	
Organizer: Koffi Maglo	
April 12-14, 2007	
University of Cincinnati	

PUBLICATIONS
2006 - 2007

German Studies

Todd Herzog	\$1,000
<i>Jewish Culture in Germany and Austria Today</i> - Translation Fees	

History

Steve Bowman	\$1,000
<i>Jewish Resistance in Wartime Greece</i> - Translation Fees	

Willard Sunderland	\$1,000
<i>Peopling the Russian Periphery: Borderland Colonization in Eurasia from Muscovite to Soviet Times</i> - Indexing Fees	

Willard Sunderland	\$1,000
<i>Peopling the Russian Periphery: borderland Colonization in Eurasia from Muscovite to Soviet Times</i> - Publishing Costs	

Romance Languages & Literatures

Maria Paz Moreno	\$4,000
<i>Invernadero</i> - Publishing Costs	

CONTINGENCY SUPPORTED EVENTS

Professor Edgar Slotkin

Department of English

Project Funded: *Celtic Studies of North America 30th Annual Meeting*

\$ 3,000

April 12-15, 2007 at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza

**TAFT FACULTY EXECUTIVE BOARD
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