

NEW WORKING GROUPS IN THE HUMANITIES

The Dresher Center invites proposals for new Working Groups in the Humanities. Dresher Center Working Groups are collaborative, interdisciplinary communities of scholars working on **humanities projects**, **research concerns**, or **matters of public interest**. The Dresher Center provides support for the formation of these groups in an effort to promote intellectual exchange and support research activity in the humanities among scholars across campus. Working groups meet regularly and can use their funds to travel to sites or archives, host speakers, explore technologies, create new resources or materials, or other similar activities.

Working Groups can apply for up to \$1,000 in annual support (\$500 per semester) for their first-year activities. While members may come from any UMBC department, priority will be given to groups with at least one member from a humanities department.

Fundable activities include travel to sites or archives, speaker presentations, use/purchase of technology, creation of resources or materials, and support for regular meetings or workshops, etc.

Deadlines for best consideration are <u>November 1st</u> for groups beginning in the spring semester and <u>May 30th</u> for groups beginning in the fall semester.

To apply, complete the **Dresher Center New Working Groups Application Form** and email <u>dreshercenter@umbc.edu</u> by the deadline. Please contact us with questions.

In the application, describe the group's humanities-based focus and purpose, how the group will be organized, who will participate in it, anticipated expenses, and who will initially serve as its leader. Groups may include advanced graduate students so long as they are in the minority. Graduate students may not serve as leaders.

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NAME OF PROPOSED GROUP:
GROUP LEADER(S) AND DEPARTMENT(S) OR PROGRAM(S):
PERIOD FOR WHICH FUNDING IS REQUESTED (ONE SEMESTER/YEAR BEGINNING):
DESCRIPTION OF THE GROUP'S HUMANITIES-BASED FOCUS AND PURPOSE AND HOW IT WILL BE ORGANIZED:
NAMES OF GROUP MEMBERS (ADVANCED GRADUATE STUDENTS MAY PARTICIPATE AS MEMBERS, BUT CANNOT SERVE AS LEADERS):
LIST OF ANTICIPATED EXPENSES (TYPES AND APPROXIMATE COSTS):