

**Proposal for Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities Research
Pilot/Exploratory Grant**

2016

About the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities:

The vision of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities is to lead local, national, and global efforts in bioethics and medical humanities that improve healthcare education, delivery, research, and scholarship. The mission of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities is to advance bioethics and medical humanities at Northwestern and beyond through education, innovation, clinical application and thought leadership

Purpose:

The Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities will fund pilot/exploratory grants that support research in bioethics and medical humanities. The goal of this award is to provide funding for pilot/exploratory projects that help resolve an important emerging or unanswered bioethics problem in clinical care, biomedical research, public health practice, or public policy. The aim is to support preliminary work that will provide a foundation for obtaining funding to support larger research projects. Preference will be given to proposals with a clearly delineated plan for obtaining subsequent extramural or internal funding.

Award Information:

Projects can be up to one year in duration. Awards for up to \$2500.00 (total costs) will be granted.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a pilot/exploratory project grant, applicants must be one of the following:

- A Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine medical student
- A Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine resident or fellow
- A Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine faculty member
- An employee of Northwestern Memorial Hospital, the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, or Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital

All medical students, residents, fellows, and employees should identify a Northwestern University Faculty member mentor with whom to collaborate. Mentor qualifications and plans for mentor oversight should be described in the proposal.

Requirements:

All awardees will agree to the following:

- [Become a member](#) of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities
- Present results of the funded research at a conference sponsored by the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities.
- Prepare two progress reports, one half way through the period of funding, and one at the end of the period of funding.
- Acknowledge funding from the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities in presentations and publications.

How to apply:

Applications must be submitted electronically as a pdf to Bryan Morrison at bryan-morrison@northwestern.edu. Applications should not exceed 6 pages and should include the following:

- A Cover Sheet (1 page)
- A proposal narrative with the following headings (up to 4 pages):
 - o Abstract (one paragraph \leq 500 word describing the project)
 - o Background and Specific Aims
 - o Significance
 - o Approach
 - o Next Steps
 - o Timeline
- Budget with budget justification (1 page)

Important Dates:

- Deadline for submitting applications: September 30, 2016 at 5 PM CST.
- Funding decisions communicated: November/December 2016
- Funds released: January 1, 2016

Questions:

Please contact Dr. Kelly Michelson, Director of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities, with any questions. kmichelson@luriechildrens.org.

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Project Title: _____

Amount Requested: _____

Principal Investigator:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Please indicate your affiliation:

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 - Northwestern Memorial Hospital
 - The Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago
 - Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone number: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Endorsements:

Department Chair/Administrative director: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Faculty mentor (if applicable): _____

Signature of faculty mentor: _____

Department Research Administrator: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____