

FAQs for Creative Economy Fund

Q: Do I need to submit through OGCA?

A: No. Proposals are submitted to the UMass President's Office via the campus Office of Research Development (ORD@research.umass.edu, 7-3726)

Q. For the concept paper, how detailed should the budget be and is it part of the two pages?

A. It is part of the two pages and it should only a few lines with an estimated total. Faculty cannot ask for salary but staff salaries, travel, graduate students, participant costs, and consultants are typical expenses. Indirect costs are not allowed.

Q. How much can I request?

A. Requests can be up to \$40,000 especially if it is a multi-campus project. The maximum for single campus projects tends to be about \$30,000 and the average about \$24,000.

Q. What kind of projects are typically funded?

A. Funded projects include a mix of faculty and student activities in the arts, humanities and social sciences that involve a community partner as the primary audience. Projects are most often of a start-up nature, proposing activities that will last beyond the period of initial funding and demonstrating the potential for independent sustainability.