

**THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY EMERITUS AND RETIRED FACULTY
ASSOCIATION
CSU-ERFA FOUNDATION PROGRAM
2011-2012 Grant Cycle**

GUIDELINES FOR APPROVAL OF GRANTS:

I. Purpose of the Program

CSU-ERFA established the CSU-ERFA Grant Foundation to provide financial support to assist and encourage CSU retirees to continue their research and scholarship after leaving their active academic positions. The funds can be used for the following purposes:

1. Scholarly research of issues important to CSU retirees.
2. Research that contributes to the quality of life of CSU retirees, including but not limited to the following:
 - a. Retirement policies and practices throughout the country.
 - b. Benefits, rights, and privileges of CSU-ERFA retirees on CSU campuses.
 - c. Public laws and policies related to the maintenance and quality of life of retirees.
3. Conducting projects pertaining to the history of the institutions related to the California State University System.
4. Publication endeavors of retirees as contributing to a given discipline.
5. Research and creative projects that directly benefit a given academic field or community.

II. Criteria for Acceptance of Grant Applications:

1. The applicant must be a member of CSU-ERFA. (Note: you may also join at the time of your application.)
2. The degree to which the research/project will contribute to the achievement of one or more of the purposes cited in Section I.
3. The degree to which the proposed research/project includes but is not limited to a statement of the problem and/or hypothesis, explication of procedures, processes or phases implementing an acceptable research methodology.
4. The degree to which the research/project fosters individual scholarly and or artistic achievement.

III. Administration of the Program

1. The Grant Awards Committee shall have responsibility for the establishment of periodic schedules for the submission and approval of grant applications subject to the approval of the CSU-ERFA Executive Committee.
2. The opening date for the submission of grant applications will be September 30, 2011. Applications must be received on or before January 3, 2012. Your proposal must be submitted as hard copy. If applicants wish to send their proposals electronically or by fax to ensure the application is received by the due date, they may do so; however, a hard copy must be received within 3 days following the due date. Only hard copies will be reviewed.
3. Grant applications shall be reviewed by the Grant Awards Committee in accordance with the purposes and criteria as set forth in Sections II and I.
4. All criteria noted in Sections I and II shall be assigned equal value in the assessment of the comparative merits of grant applications.

5. Recommendations for approval of applications shall be the sole responsibility of the Grant Awards Committee.
6. Approval of awards shall be the sole responsibility of the CSU-ERFA Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will inform the applicants of its decision soon after the Executive Committee's February meeting.
7. The CSU-ERFA Executive Committee will request funds for the grant awards from the CSU-ERFA Foundation. Acceptance and approval of applications for grant awards shall be subject to the budgetary limitations established by the CSU-ERFA Executive Committee.

Send applications to:

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