

Call for Proposals

Faith and Service Travel Grants - 2009

Grants will be awarded to assist student groups planning to explore their faith through service and social justice initiatives. These grants will support travel to a site away from campus where students will engage in service, prayer, and reflection. Grants will be awarded for Spring and Summer 2009.

Project Requirements

- Proposals must identify a site away from the Valparaiso campus at which the project will take place.
- Proposals must identify a basic human need to be met or social justice issue to be addressed.
- Proposals must describe how prayer and reflection will be incorporated into project activities. “Reflection” is not limited to traditional group devotions, though these may be appropriate. Groups are encouraged to arrange for reflection time to address questions such as: “What has my experience taught me about myself, the world and God?” “How is this experience impacting my sense of vocation?” “How might I use this experience later in my life?”
- Proposals must include a completed copy of the Valparaiso University “Student Trip Application” form, available at <http://www.intra.valpo.edu/depts/prov/prov/policy/StudentTripApplication.pdf>
- Student participants must be willing to bear a reasonable portion of the cost. The remainder will be underwritten by the grant. Larger projects that require other funding streams are encouraged. These funding sources or the strategies of their development are to be identified in this proposal.
- Grants will be awarded to groups of a minimum of six students for Spring Break and ten students for Summer grants.

Details

- Spring Break Grants provide up to \$5,000 for student and faculty/staff travel expenses and a \$500 honorarium for a faculty/staff advisor.
- Summer Grants provide up to \$12,000 to cover student and faculty/staff travel expenses and \$1,000 honorarium for a faculty/staff advisor.

- If faculty/staff travel expenses will be reimbursed, these must be budgeted within the proposal. Additional funds are not available for this purpose.
- The grants are funded by the Lilly Project on Theological Exploration of Vocation at Valparaiso University.
- Proposals must be submitted to Pr. James Wetzstein at his Chapel Office by 5pm, December 1, 2008. Electronic submissions are encouraged.

For more information, contact Pr. James Wetzstein
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**Application Cover Page
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Valparaiso University**

Title of Project: _____

Project Location: _____

Project Dates: _____

Name of Campus Organization: _____

Student Project Leader(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Signatures:

Student Project Leader

Date: _____

Student Project Leader

Date: _____

Faculty/Staff Advisor

Date: _____

Checklist: All proposals must include:

- This form completed as a title page (the form may be completed electronically.)
- Description of proposal: A description of no more than 5 pages that covers the project's activities, how prayer or other forms of reflection will be part of the project, and the responsibilities of faculty/staff advisors and student project leaders.
- A budget describing expenses to be borne by the grant and those borne by students.
- Letter of support from the faculty/staff advisor.
- Student Trip Application <http://www.intra.valpo.edu/depts/prov/prov/policy/StudentTripApplication.pdf>

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