

SEED GRANTS FOR

METHODOLOGIES OF RECIPROCITY AND REDISTRIBUTION

The Humanities Collaboratory invites proposals for seed grants of up to \$4000 to fund the preparation of full proposals for the Humanities Without Walls 2022-23 Grand Challenge, the second round dedicated to “methodologies of reciprocity and redistribution.”

Seed Grant proposal format: 5-6 pp. narratives outlining the Grand Challenge project envisioned, academic collaborators and community partners to be engaged, approaches to questions of reciprocity and redistribution, and work to be undertaken during the seed grant period.

Due: Fri, April 15 2022 by 5pm to humanitiescollaboratory@osu.edu

Thinking Through Reciprocity and Redistribution

Reciprocity and redistribution are methods for engaging collaborators in genuinely equal and ethical partnerships—partnerships that are not one-directional (i.e., only from campus outward) or faculty-centered (i.e., hierarchical in ways that privilege presumptively white western scholarly expertise over other forms of knowing).

Reciprocity and redistribution are **strategies** for equity-based change *by design*. These strategies aim to challenge the academic status quo by enabling community partners to participate on their own terms; to co-design and co-create transformative projects; and to be equitably resourced for their time and contributions.

A commitment to **practices** of reciprocity and redistribution also opens up possibilities for new forms of collaboration between faculty and graduate students and staff; between HWW partner universities and regional and community colleges; between Predominantly White Institutions and Minority Serving Institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Tribal Colleges; and between each campus and its variety of public stakeholders.

*Through modes of research partnership that are **reciprocal and redistributive**, collaborators will demonstrate that “humanities without walls” is not only a metaphor but also a strategic commitment to imagining and doing academic work more inclusively—with universal access, social equity and racial diversity always front of mind.*

More details about the Grand Challenge can be found on the [Humanities Without Walls](#) website



NOTE:

If you are planning on applying and/or are interested in a forum on reciprocity and redistribution, let us know at humanitiescollaboratory@osu.edu

