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IonE Mini Grant RFP

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The Institute on the Environment (IonE) is pleased to announce the Spring 2018 Mini Grants competition.

IonE Mini Grants spur new collaborative efforts by providing small amounts of funding to interdisciplinary groups of faculty, staff and students from across the University of Minnesota system. The purpose of the program is to encourage risk taking and experimentation on environmental topics across disciplines, units or campuses.

Types of work typically funded include: seed funding, travel, events, engagement, emerging issues and curriculum development. Please refer to the Mini Grant section of the grants website for additional detail.

This cohort of Mini Grants will begin on May 1, 2018 and may last for 6, 12, 18, or 24 months. The maximum award amount is \$3000.

Collaboration with IonE

We want to support your effort with more than money! Please consult our <u>events website</u> for tips on how to plan, budget for and execute effective events. We require advanced knowledge of all events and publications associated with Mini Grants, and may be able to help promote your project or event. Please email Jennifer Thissen at this0017@umn.edu before you publicly release information about upcoming events.

Submission Instructions

Please go to https://ione-apply.fluidreview.com/ to complete an on-line form. All applications must be complete and submitted by noon on Monday, April 16, 2018.

The Fine Print

The PI must be <u>eligible to be a PI</u> at the University of Minnesota and student-led projects must include an eligible staff or faculty member as the PI. The Mini Grant program **does not support** ongoing work or activities that are commonly associated with traditional departments and research programs. Only in rare cases will the program fund proposals for PI salary or equipment purchases.

It is IonE's expectation that all communications and publicity related to an event or project funded by a Mini Grant will acknowledge the source of funding and comply with IonE communications standards. More information, including downloadable IonE wordmarks, are available at http://intranet.environment.umn.edu/communications/.

All work must be complete within the established Period of Performance; extensions will be granted on a very limited basis. Funds will be released to the department prior to the established start date and any unused funds after the end date will be returned to IonE to fund other Mini Grant projects.

A short final report is required after the completion of the project.

For additional information, please contact Jennifer Thissen, Grants Coordinator for Institute on the Environment at this 0017@umn.edu.