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EARLY CAREER FACULTY
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Re: The 2022-23 Philomathia Prize Call for Applications

Dear Colleague:

I am pleased to announce the call for applications for the [Philomathia Prize](#); an exciting faculty award created through a generous endowment gift from the Philomathia Foundation. The Philomathia Prize is intended to recognize exceptional early career faculty members who demonstrate great distinction and promise in their academic field. The Prize consists of a \$200,000 award that can be used at the discretion of the Prize recipient, pursuant to relevant University policies, over a three-year period.

In creating this award, the Philomathia Foundation seeks to inspire faculty in the early stages of their careers, and enable them to pursue the kind of highly original inquiry that has the potential to yield the most important advances. An award of this magnitude will recognize the promise, creativity, and future potential of faculty at a critical time in their careers.

The Prize will be awarded annually and will alternate between science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines and non-STEM disciplines each year. **This year, only non-STEM disciplines are eligible.** Information about last year's Prize winner, Markita del Carpio Landry, [can be found here](#).

ELIGIBILITY AND CRITERIA

- **Non-STEM disciplines are eligible for the 2022-23 Prize cycle.**
- Non-tenured, tenure-track Assistant Professors are eligible.
- Associate Professors and Professors of Law who have received tenure within the last four years (*i.e.*, for whom the effective date of tenure was July 1, 2019 or later) are eligible; however, Associate Professors under review for promotion to full Professor effective July 1, 2023 are **not** eligible regardless of when they received tenure.
- Adjunct faculty and other non-tenure-track faculty are **not** eligible.

Candidates may propose new/extended research projects or seek support for research in which they are already engaged. The principal criteria for selection are the candidate's research record and strength of their proposal, but service to campus and teaching will also be considered by the committee.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

The application process consists of multiple stages: First, candidates should submit their applications via this [Google Form](#). Complete applications should include the application form, CV, and up to 2-page (single-spaced) project proposal. The deadline to submit your application is 11:59 p.m. on **Tuesday, October 25, 2022**.

Applications will be batched and distributed by my office to Department Chairs and Professional School Deans on **Thursday, October 27, 2022**. Please note that due to the complex review process and tight timeline late submissions will not be accepted.

It is possible that some Department Chairs may be eligible for this award. If a Department Chair is eligible, the Dean of that Department should appoint an in-lieu Chair, preferably from that Department, who is not eligible, to review applications from that Department. This needs to occur prior to October 27. My office will endeavor to notify all deans if any of their department chairs are eligible.

Department Chairs will select nominees from their departments' applicant pool for the next stage of the review process. The maximum number of nominations allotted for each department will be based on the relative size of the eligible population within that department. The Chairs' nominations, along with a letter of endorsement, will be due to my office on **Thursday, November 17, 2022**.

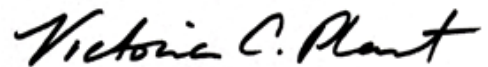
Nominations from the Chairs will be organized and distributed to the relevant College Deans for the next stage of the review process by my office on **Monday, November 21, 2022**.

December 15, 2022 is the deadline for Deans to submit their endorsements and rankings of the applications, up to the maximum allotment per Dean, to the Office of the Vice Provost for the Faculty.

The Prize winner will be announced in March 2023, and funds will be transferred later that August.

Should you have any questions, please reach out to Program Manager Yasya Goretsky at PhilomathiaPrize@berkeley.edu.

Cordially,



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Vice Provost for the Faculty