



2019 CALL FOR DONALD H. WULFF DIVERSITY TRAVEL FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS

BACKGROUND

PURPOSE OF THE FELLOWSHIPS

The Professional and Organizational Development (POD) Network in Higher Education Diversity Committee (DC) enthusiastically invites proposals for the 2019 Donald H. Wulff Diversity Travel Fellowships. These fellowships are named to honor the memory of former POD President and an early supporter of the POD Diversity Committee, Donald H. Wulff. The travel grant program awards up to \$1500 to individuals (and up to \$3000 for teams of two or more) to support their travel to the annual POD Conference.

This initiative highlights and supports the alignment of the [DC mission](#) with [POD's new strategic priority](#) to increase the sustained participation of individuals from historically underrepresented groups in the field of educational development. Underrepresented groups include, but are not limited to, individuals who identify as racial and/or ethnic minorities; lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgendered individuals; and individuals with disabilities. These fellowships are also intended to support individuals working at institutions that are currently underrepresented in the POD membership. These institutions include, but are not limited to: Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Native American Tribal Colleges, Hispanic-Serving Institutions or Hispanic Area Colleges and Institutions, Minority-Serving Institutions (or those aspiring to become MSI's), and Community Colleges.

We encourage applicants with all levels of experience in educational development to apply, including very early or pre-career to senior educational developers.

POD CONFERENCE

The [POD Network Conference](#) is an opportunity for educators, administrators, consultants, and innovators to come together to participate in interactive sessions and networking events focused on current issues in educational development. The conference also features programs specific to diversity and inclusion. Attendees will have the opportunity to share their work in a poster session or engage in a roundtable conversation rooted in their professional experiences. Awardees will be required to complete a final report within 30 days of the conference.

Posters are intended for those travel fellowship recipients who have work or research that they would like to share with POD conference attendees at the official POD Poster Session. We have examples of posters and a template for your use to prepare for the poster session. The roundtable session will be an official POD session and will engage with one of the two proposed topics. The grants review team will determine the final roundtable topic based on the interest of travel fellowship applicants and their level of critical engagement with the topics. This roundtable session will be collaboratively developed by all participants and will be co-facilitated by members of the POD DC executive team.

Roundtable topics:

- From an educational development perspective, how do digital technologies impact equitable participation for all stakeholders in their learning environment?
- What's missing from the field? What practices, scholarship, and ways of knowing are currently absent or underrepresented in educational development?

EVALUATION CRITERIA

All applications should clearly articulate:

- the applicant's identification as someone from a historically underrepresented group or someone serving at an institution that is currently underrepresented in POD membership. Please see the background paragraph above for more information;
- interest and/or experience in educational development;
- how the applicant would benefit from attending the conference;
- explanation of how sustained engagement with the Diversity Committee and POD integrates with your long-term goals in the field of educational development;
- your engagement with the field of educational development as demonstrated by work you will present in a poster at the POD conference or the round-table conversation you will engage; and
- budget and additional resources (e.g., institutional, personal funds, etc.) available to supplement the travel award, if any.

Timeline for Proposal Submission and Funding:

- deadline for submission— **Wednesday, July 31st, 2019 by 5 p.m. EDT.** Application can be found here: <http://bit.ly/DCWulff2019>
- notification of funding—by **August 15th, 2019**
- attend POD Conference this year—**November 13-17, 2019**

Fellowship recipients are expected to:

- attend the 2019 POD Conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania;
- attend the Diversity Committee's Annual Business Meeting and Diversity Committee Dinner on Saturday night;
- present their educational development work in a poster presentation or engage in a roundtable; and
- participate in assessments by the Diversity Committee related to the fellowship. These assessments help support POD's strategic goal of promoting evidence-based practices.

How to Apply:

- Complete and submit the application by **July 31, 2019 by 5pm EDT.** Due to time constraints, no late proposals will be reviewed.
- Application and instructions are available at <http://bit.ly/DCWulff2019>
- Questions? Contact Dan Guberman or Derisa Grant at diversity@podnetwork.org.

We look forward to receiving your proposal! And we invite your questions and requests for additional information.