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News Release

Wisconsin Institute for Citizenship and Civil Dialogue seeks grant proposals

Spring semester applications due March 15, 2025

MADISON, Wis.—The Wisconsin Institute for Citizenship and Civil Dialogue (WICCD) invites faculty, staff, and students at the Universities of Wisconsin (UWs) to apply for grants that enhance democracy through civil dialogue in a robust marketplace of ideas.

WICCD offers grants each fall and spring in four areas: research, events and related activities, assessment, and curriculum and professional development. A total of \$90,000 is budgeted for the spring 2025 grant cycle.

“The Universities of Wisconsin are continually seeking to lead on free speech and civil dialogue issues,” said UWs President Jay Rothman. “Our institute, through the grants, enables our universities to do even more to champion these issues.”

Applications for the spring 2025 grant cycle are due by 5 p.m. on March 15. Applications are now being accepted. A funding decision will be communicated no later than April 15, 2025.

More information on the grant program, application process, criteria, selection process, and use of funds can be found at wisconsin.edu/wiccd/wiccd-grant-program/.

Successful recipients must submit a report to WICCD on the project’s outcome.

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The Universities of Wisconsin serve approximately 164,400 students. Awarding nearly 36,000 degrees annually, these 13 public universities are Wisconsin’s talent pipeline, putting graduates in position to increase their earning power, contribute to their communities, and make Wisconsin a better place to live. Nearly 90 percent of in-state Universities of Wisconsin graduates stay in the state five years after earning a degree. The universities provide a 23:1 return on state investment. The Universities of Wisconsin also contribute to the richness of Wisconsin’s culture and economy with groundbreaking research, new companies and patents, and boundless creative intellectual energy. Learn more at wisconsin.edu.

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