

**GOLDFARB CENTER FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
AT COLBY COLLEGE**

CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR RESEARCH GRANTS

The Goldfarb Center for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement invites proposals from Colby faculty for funding for collaborative research on topics related to public affairs or civic engagement. To qualify for funding under this program, research projects must be undertaken by two or more members of the Colby faculty from more than one discipline or interdisciplinary program. Colby students must play a role in the research enterprise. Non-Colby faculty may, but need not be involved in the research enterprise.

Funding: Grants may be for up to \$5000. Funding may cover any legitimate research expenses including, but not limited to, stipends for student assistants, purchase of research materials, travel to or from Colby and associated lodging. Summer stipends for faculty are permitted within the total grant budget. The project may commence any time before the end of or during academic year 2009-10. The Center hopes to fund two or three projects from this round of applications.

Proposals: Applicants should submit a proposal that lays out the nature of the specific project including the questions to be examined, a detailed research design, a proposed timeline for data-gathering, writing, and publication, proposed budget, and intended product. If the project involves human subjects, the proposal should be submitted to the Institutional Review Committee simultaneously with submission to the Center. The budget should be explicit as to the anticipated expenses of data gathering and research. Questions about the budget should be referred to Susanna Thompson, Assistant Director of the Goldfarb Center, smthomps@colby.edu.

Product: The proposal should specify the intended end product for the project and at least preliminary thoughts on means of dissemination. At the appropriate time—and in an agreed upon manner—the end project will be included in the Goldfarb Center's on line Working Paper Series; if students are involved, it is hoped that they will make separate presentations as part of the Colby Undergraduate Research Symposium. Faculty and student collaborators will be named as Goldfarb Center Fellows for the 2009-10 academic year and should include that designation as well as academic titles in all publications resulting from this grant.

Deadline: Proposals for this round of funding are due by March 13, 2009. Please submit all materials electronically. Decisions will be announced by April 3, 2009.

Further information: For further information, contact Sandy Maisel, lsmaisel@colby.edu.