

Information for Applicants: 2025 Award for Excellence in Social Science Engaged Research

1. Award funds are designated for scholarly activity, including but not limited to conference travel, travel for research, purchase of research-associated materials and services, and professional publication expenses. One award is made each year in the amount of \$1,525.
2. Eligible individuals include faculty members in or associated with social science disciplines who are contract - renewable or tenure track lecturers, instructors or assistant professors. Faculty with M.A. and/or Ph.D. degrees who are working in one of the following departments, schools, or academic programs are considered: **Anthropology; Africana Studies; Chicana/o & Latinx Studies; Economics; Gender Studies; Geography, GIS & Sustainability; Rehabilitation & Human Services; Colorado School of Public Health; Nursing; Political Science & International Affairs; Program in Recreation, Tourism and Hospitality; Sociology; World Languages & Cultures.**
3. Applicants are invited to submit applications by the deadline of **5:00pm on February 28, 2025**. Send materials as one pdf file to orsp@unco.edu.
4. Required application materials include a Curriculum Vita and a two- to three-page statement of accomplishments addressing significance of professional development and achievement in civic engagement and engaged research and scholarly activity, including scholarly publications and presentations, internally and externally funded grant and contract projects, support of and contributions to disciplinary or multidisciplinary collaborations in fundamental and applied research, and the integration of research and scholarly results into undergraduate and/or graduate curricula.
5. Applicants are encouraged to examine the review sheets that will be completed by members of the Award Selection Committee. Applicants should address both the eligibility criteria and substantive criteria that the Award Selection Committee will use (see form: Review of Applications for the Award for Excellence in Social Science Engaged Research by Members of the Award Selection Committee).

6. Civic engagement is defined as research and scholarly activity projects and programs involving mutually beneficial, reciprocity-based collaborations of University of Northern Colorado faculty and/or students and/or staff from within or across disciplines in departments and/or colleges with external groups, organizations, governmental agencies, or individuals in applied or fundamental research programs.
7. Civic engagement activities may involve local community (a town, community interest, service or non-profit organizations, or local government and schools) or wider, more inclusive civic entities such as regional coalitions, federal, state or regional organizations, private or federal and state agencies and organizations.