

# “ETHICS AND COMMUNITY” ARSHT RESEARCH PROJECTS

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### Preamble

Philanthropist and businesswoman Adrienne Arsht has made a gift to the University of Miami Ethics Programs to support several initiatives, including research projects in applied ethics. Three to six such projects will be funded annually for four years.

### “Ethics and Community”

Arsht research projects must address a contemporary moral issue with implications for public policy, professional practice, human rights, etc. Prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to discuss project ideas with Ethics Program directors.

### Eligibility

Arsht Ethics Research Grants will be awarded to *faculty-student teams*. Any full-time UM faculty member or fulltime student (graduate or undergraduate) may apply for an Arsht Ethics Research Grant. A faculty applicant must identify at least one student collaborator; a student applicant must identify at least one faculty mentor. Strong preference will be given to inter- and multi-disciplinary projects. An Ethics Advisory Board comprising leading faculty from all three UM campuses will review proposals.

### Review Criteria

Successful proposals will

- Show promise that the projects are likely to result in a publication, presentation, curriculum, Web resource or other public deliverable.
- Make clear a faculty commitment to mentor or supervise students.
- Bear on a contemporary moral issue of social significance.

### Funds Available

UM Ethics Programs expect to award three to six Arsht Ethics Research Grants of not greater than \$50,000 each. Funds may be used for faculty release time or course buyouts, student compensation, equipment, software, books and other resources, limited travel and other appropriate project-related costs. A final report must be submitted to the Ethics Program by faculty-student teams no more than 45 days after the end of the funded project period.



## Proposal Structure

Proposals must have the following structure:

- Title of proposed project
- Requested performance period of the proposed project (not to exceed 12 months).
- Name, position/title and campus affiliation(s) of applicant and collaborator (faculty member(s) and student(s)).
- Abstract
- Description of previous applicable work, accomplishments
- Project narrative (making plain (i) the ethical issue to be addressed and its significance, (ii) the methods to be used, (iii) inter- or multi-disciplinary aspects and (iv) other salient details)
- Bibliography
- Budget
- Letter of endorsement from the appropriate dean or department head if grant funds are intended to be used to reduce a faculty member's teaching load,
- Current funding, if applicable
- CV or resume for all participants

Proposals must be prepared using 11 point or larger font on 8.5" by 11" pages with margins of no less than .5". Proposals may not exceed 5 single-spaced pages, *excluding* bibliography, budget, letter of endorsement and CVs or resumes.

## Proposal Submission and Deadline

Proposal components must be emailed as an attachment to [ethics@miami.edu](mailto:ethics@miami.edu). Proposals will be reviewed by members of the UM Ethics Advisory Board.

*Deadline for receipt of proposals is 11 p.m., February 21, 2007.* Applicants will be informed of reviewers' decisions in March.

## Questions

Prospective applicants are strongly urged to contact UM Ethics Programs directors, Profs. Anita Cava ([acava@miami.edu](mailto:acava@miami.edu); 284-5084) or Ken Goodman ([kgoodman@miami.edu](mailto:kgoodman@miami.edu); 243-5723) to discuss ideas, ask questions, etc.

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