



Thatcher Hoffman Smith Prize

PURPOSE AND GOALS

The Thatcher Hoffman Smith Prize was established in 2002 as a biennial prize honoring the creative process, or in other words, Creativity in Motion. For its 10th anniversary, the prize was refocused to promote the creativity of students at the University of Oklahoma. This prize celebrates the creative process, recognizing the power of original thought and the drive of others to make a difference in the world around us. The work or project must be in the planning stage or underway. Projects already completed will not be considered.

This prize is open to creative projects in all fields, including but not limited to, community affairs, cultural affairs, education, business, science and the arts. The prize committee encourages collaboration among students and across disciplines. The committee anticipates awarding up to two grants per year in the amount of \$10,000.

ELIGIBILITY

All full-time students currently enrolled at the University of Oklahoma are eligible to apply. Students may collaborate on a joint project, but all applicants must be current students at OU.

Applications are available through the Creativity in Motion website at <http://cas.ou.edu/cim>. You may also request application materials by contacting Angela Startz at (405) 325-6664 or astartz@ou.edu.

SELECTION GUIDELINES

The following guidelines will be considered by the prize committee when evaluating the applications. The weight given to each of these guidelines will be determined by members of the prize committee. The committee will decide the degree to which the proposed project:

- is of the highest quality
- is original
- clearly explains the applicant's creative process
- provides proof that the proposed project is not yet completed
- will be successfully carried out by applicant
- will have the potential for a positive impact on the community, region, or state
- has such other qualities which lead the awards panel to conclude that an award is appropriate, and has the possibility of enriching the world around us.

HOW TO FILE

Fair judging demands that all proposals follow exactly the same format. Therefore, to be considered by the prize committee, each application must follow the filing requirements listed below. The grant will be offered annually, with the next deadline for submission on November 30, 2016.

1. The deadline for 2015 applications is Monday, November 30, 2016. Applications must be received or postmarked by this date or they will not be considered. Early submission of applications is encouraged. Applications should be mailed or delivered to The Thatcher Hoffman Smith Prize, University of Oklahoma, College of Arts & Sciences, 633 Elm Avenue, Room 323, Norman, OK 73019-3118
2. Applicants must submit one original and five complete copies of each prize application. The dimensions of each application should not exceed 8-1/2" x 11". Separate each copy with paper clips or by inserting a different color sheet of paper between copies.

Applicants will receive official notification of the winning applications by mail in February, 2017.

REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT RECIPIENTS

I. Liability

Award recipients agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma, its employees, regents, officers and agents, in connection with any action, demand, claim, lawsuit, charge, or proceeding, including but not limited to any civil action in State or Federal Court, or before any State or Federal agency, which is made or brought against recipients, University, and/or any of the University's employees, agents, officers, regents, by any person or entity, based on and/or arising out of a recipient's use of the funds provided to the recipient by the University pursuant to this contract.

II. Acknowledgments

For this program to continue to grow, it is imperative that recipients give proper acknowledgment to the Thatcher Hoffman Smith Prize for awarding the prize funds and comply with the following acknowledgment requirements if awarded a prize:

1. Prize recipients must include the line "This project was made possible, in part, by a prize from the Thatcher Hoffman Smith Prize on Creativity in Motion" on all promotional materials, including news releases. The line must appear no smaller than in 8-point type in any publication. If you have questions about complying with requirements, call the College of Arts & Sciences to have your publication reviewed.
2. Events including announcements from the organization to the audience must include an announcement using the line "This project was made possible, in part, by a prize from the Thatcher Hoffman Smith Prize in Creativity in Motion."

3. Recipients may provide contact information for local publications or professional organizations for the purposes of press release and other media conducted by the College of Arts & Sciences and the Thatcher Hoffman Smith Prize.

Equal Opportunity Statement.

The University of Oklahoma, in compliance with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, genetic information, gender identity, gender expression, age, religion, disability, political beliefs, or status as a veteran in any of its policies, practices or procedures. This includes, but is not limited to: admissions, employment, financial aid and educational services. Inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies may be directed to: Bobby J. Mason, University Equal Opportunity Officer and Title IX Coordinator, (405) 325-3546, bjm@ou.edu, or visit www.ou.edu/eoo.

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