# Announcement of 2023-2024 Funding for Scholars of the Center for Christian Bioethics

The Center Scholars Program (CSP) of the Center for Christian Bioethics (CCB) convenes faculty members and students from Loma Linda University Health who are actively committed to advancing the field of bioethics through education, research, publications, mentoring, and inter-professional collaboration. The CSP promotes scholarly work by holding interdisciplinary scholar meetings, aiding mentor/mentee relationships, and providing funding for projects that are within the scope of the academic priorities of the CCB. Funding is provided to aid active scholarly work and/or to support attendance and scholarly presentations at conferences affiliated with the CCB.

# Academic Priorities of the CCB

The CCB has set out the following areas as its academic priorities:

- 1. Professionalism the philosophical foundations for, and praxis of, professional formation in the health professions
- 2. Meritocracy examination of the assumptions of meritocratic behavior in healthcare and how these beliefs have / may / can affect the way the clinical work of medicine is viewed and/or the formation of the clinician patient relationship
- 3. Practical philosophy practical guidance to help inpatient and outpatient clinicians care for patients while continuing to maintain their personal beliefs on complex issues such as abortion, gender affirming care, healthcare equity, organ donation, etc.

Conferences affiliated with the CCB

- 1. Academy for Professionalism in Healthcare
- 2. Adventist Bioethics Conference
- 3. American Society for Bioethics and Humanities
- 4. Conference on Medicine and Religion
- 5. Society of Adventist Philosophers
- 6. Society for Christian Ethics

Scholars may use this application either to apply for grant funding for ongoing scholarly work and/or for support for conference attendance. Applicants may apply for both types of funding.

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# **Request for Funding for Active Scholarly Work**

Between **July 1, 2023**, and **June 30**, **2024**, the Center will announce awards that will total **\$20,000** with the following conditions:

- 1. Project length should be anticipated to be less than two calendar years. There is no automatic funding renewal for the same project. Applicants seeking additional funding for the same project will be required to submit a new application.
- 2. Each application will be capped at \$3,500. Distribution of funds will be dependent on the needs of each project.
- 3. Applicants may submit more than one application throughout the year.
- 4. Priority for funding will be given to applicants who intend to present work at a lecture or conference, submit for publication, or disseminate by other means of wider distribution.
- 5. Applications may be submitted at any time during the academic year, and the Center will aim to respond to applicant within 10 business days after submission.
- 6. A final report will be required to be submitted to the Center within 30 days after the completion of the project.
- 7. Faculty and students whose projects are selected are designated as Scholars of the Center for Christian Bioethics for the academic year the support is granted

# **Eligibility**

Applicant must be a current faculty member in good standing at an LLU school, or a current student in good standing of an LLU school.

# Criteria for Evaluation

Proposals will be judged based on:

- 1. How the project supports the CCB's academic priorities
- 2. The degree to which proposed project will meet its stated objectives

#### **Application Format**

Text must be submitted in 11-point font or larger, and with at least one-half inch margins, with the following sections:

- 1. Title Page: Title of the project, names of co-PI's, contact information, list of key personnel, and total dollar amount requested.
- 2. Abstract, maximum of 500 words, to state the significance and goals of the project
- 3. Background, including a literature review, to support the project
- 4. Research design and methods for data analysis (if applicable)
- 5. Budget for whole project and for requested funds
- 6. Timeline, including date of completion
- 7. Resumes of all key personnel

# **Request for Funding for Conference Support**

Between **July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024**, the Center will announce awards that will total **\$10,000** with the following conditions:

- 1. Each application will be capped at \$1,500 for an accepted presentation. Funds will be distributed after conference presentation.
- 2. Applicants may submit more than one application throughout the year
- 3. Priority for funding will be given to applicants who are presenting at conferences affiliated with the CCB
- 4. Applications may be submitted at any time during the academic year, and the Center will aim to respond to applicant within 10 business days after submission.
- 5. Travel expense form will be required within 30 days of the conference presentation.
- 6. Faculty and students who receive support are designated as Scholars of the Center for Christian Bioethics for the academic year the support is granted

# <u>Eligibility</u>

Applicant must be a current faculty member in good standing at an LLU school, or a current student in good standing of an LLU school.

#### Criteria for Evaluation

Proposals will be judged based primarily on how the presentation supports the CCB's academic priorities.

# **Application Format**

Text must be submitted in 11-point font or larger, and with at least one-half inch margins, with the following sections:

- 1. Presentation title and abstract
- 2. Name(s) of presenters
- 3. Accepting conference, including date and location
- 4. Projected budget, including cost for airfare, hotel, conference registration, transportation, and per diem rate.