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## **“Comfort Women” Research and Creative Scholarship Small Grants Program**

### **Request for Proposals for 2025-2026 Grant Awards Proposal Deadline: September 30th, 2025**

#### **“Comfort Women” Research and Creative Scholarship Small Grants Program for Faculty**

Provides awards of up to \$6,000 to faculty for conducting research and creative scholarship projects that increase awareness of the historical and contemporary significance of “comfort women” and engage the public in discourse about the experiences and the remembrance of “comfort women.” Eligible faculty shall have expertise in Asian American Studies, Ethnic Studies, Women and Gender Studies, or Sexuality Studies for conducting research or creative projects on “comfort women.”

#### **“Comfort Women” Research and Creative Scholarship Small Grants Program for Students**

Provides awards of up to \$4,000 to graduate or undergraduate students conducting research and creative scholarship projects that increase awareness of the historical and contemporary significance of “comfort women” and engage the public in discourse about the experiences and the remembrance of “comfort women.” Preference for funding will be given to students who have completed interdisciplinary coursework (history, literature, art, music, public health, etc.) in Asian American Studies, Ethnic Studies, Women and Gender Studies, or Sexuality Studies for conducting research or creative projects on “comfort women,” however, relevant experience such as working or volunteering with community organizations that educate the public about “comfort women,” advocate for human rights, or support victims of sexual violence and human trafficking will be considered.

To apply for the grant awards, students and faculty complete a letter of interest, resume and a 2 page proposal. Your 2-page proposal should address the following:

- Background, significance, methods, and outcomes for the project
- How the project will raise awareness on “Comfort Women”
- Relevant applicant experience and expertise related to the issues of “Comfort Women”
- Timeline of the project

Students who apply for the award, should apply directly to academic works at

<https://sfsu.academicworks.com/opportunities/2136>

Faculty should send a letter of interest, a resume, and a 2-page to the Assistant to the Dean, Ricardo Sarmiento, [ricksarm@sfsu.edu](mailto:ricksarm@sfsu.edu).



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Recipients will need to present at the College of Ethnic Studies student research showcase in Spring 2026 and at a forum or remembrance event on International Memorial Day for “Comfort Women” (August 14, 2026).

*The “Comfort Women” Research and Creative Scholarship Small Grants Program for Faculty and Students is made possible through an anonymous donation in partnership with CARE (Comfort Women Action for Redress and Education).*