

Inequality in the Hudson Valley Grant Competition Call for Proposals

Deadline: 12:00 PM on Wednesday, November 20, 2024

With support from the Provost's Creating a Stronger New Paltz, the RSCA is happy to announce a special grant program – Inequality in the Hudson Valley (IHV). These grants will provide funds and support for student-faculty scholarly collaborations during the Spring 2025 semester.

Student-faculty teams from disciplines across the campus are encouraged to submit proposals that explore issues of inequality in the Hudson Valley. We welcome a range of topics, including but not limited to, the examination of health disparities, housing inequality, and environmental justice. These projects may include traditional research, creative work (e.g., photography, visual arts), or other innovative expressions documenting inequality in the region. Applicants will be eligible for one of four RSCA mini-grants (\$750 each), which can be used to support their project development.

Funds may be used to purchase supplies and services, reimburse travel to research sites, or pay research participants, for example. Click on this link of allowable purchases for more details.

Application: Successful applications will highlight how their projects articulate with the main goals of the IHV:

- Showcase a range of student projects addressing inequality
- Encourage cross-disciplinary projects that engage students from both social sciences and the arts.
- Foster collaboration between students, faculty, and community members on local inequality issues.

Additionally, projects should resonate with the ethos articulated by the Provost's *Creating a Stronger New Paltz Together* initiative

Whatever its form, our main condition is that the project must provide students one-on-one training from the faculty expert, extending their learning and professional development beyond what is possible in the classroom.

The application is available at this link: [IHV Application Spring 2025](#)

Project Timeline: Although some advance preparation is appropriate, the bulk of the project should be realized during the Spring 2025 semester.

Requirements: Successful projects will be required to present their work during the Spring 2025 semester. There will be several options available - the *Speaker Series on Inequality in the Hudson Valley* (see below), as a standalone event, or as part of the annual SUNY New Paltz Student Research Symposium.

Successful applicants will also be required to attend the other two events (dates TBD) linked with the IHV program:

Speaker Series on Inequality in the Hudson Valley - A speaker series focusing on three specific areas of inequality—health, housing, and environmental justice.

Interdisciplinary Panel on Theories of Inequality - This panel will feature faculty from departments from the social sciences and humanities (e.g. Anthropology, Sociology, Political Science, History, English) discussing how inequality is studied and theorized across their respective disciplines.