

University of Maine/Davis Foundation Projects for Peace Request for Undergraduate Proposals

Under the auspices of the Davis United World College Scholars Program, the University of Maine is pleased to announce a call for proposals that are building blocks for a sustainable peace. Any undergraduate or group of undergraduates is eligible to design a project for the **summer of 2015** - anywhere in the world - which promotes peace and addresses the root causes of conflict among parties. We encourage applicants to use their creativity to design projects and employ innovative techniques for engaging project participants in ways that focus on conflict prevention, resolution, or reconciliation. Through the generosity of Clem and Linda McGillicuddy, the winning project will be awarded up to **\$10,000** to implement the project. Projects will be enacted during the summer of 2015, and projects should be building blocks for a sustainable peace. Projects must be completed during the summer of 2015.

Eligibility:

• Must be an active, full-time UMaine <u>undergraduate</u> student. Individual proposals will be accepted but small group projects are recommended with ties to partnering organizations. May 2015 graduates are eligible.

Application Instructions.

The proposal will consist of:

- 1. A two-page written statement
- 2. A one-page detailed project budget
- 3. Letter of recommendation from a faculty mentor/member.

The two-page **written statement** should describe the project: who, what, where, and how. It should also include your expected outcomes and prospects for future impact and sustainability. The heading of your statement must include:

- Name of the participating institution (University of Maine)
- Name of all student participants
- The title of your project
- The country where the project will be performed (whether United States or elsewhere)
- <u>Pre-approval of all parties and organizations</u> involved in the project (i.e., statement of approval and signatures when feasible).

The **budget** should be no more than one page and must be a separate attached document. Applicants must submit a **letter of recommendation** from a faculty member.

Proposals must be submitted in one PDF file to Claire Sullivan on First Class or at <u>claires@maine.edu</u> by <u>4 pm</u> <u>on Friday, January 16, 2015</u>. Authors of proposals may be contacted for clarification and/or invited to interview. The recipient is required to submit a <u>final report</u> with photographs by September 1, 2015.

Some helpful information to get you started (including frequently asked questions, past projects, and <u>Projects for Peace Research Report</u>) can be found at <u>http://www.davisprojectsforpeace.org/</u>. **If you have an idea** and would like some initial feedback, please contact Claire Sullivan on First Class or at claires@maine.edu.

Informative <u>Pre-Application Session</u> will be held on December 1, 2014 at 2:00 PM, FFA Room Memorial Union. Come prepared to share your initial thoughts and ideas! We recommend that you submit a <u>one page project idea</u> at that time. Questions will be addressed and scoring rubric will be disseminated.

PLEASE NOTE: Communication between students writing proposals and the Davis UWC Scholars office is prohibited.