The Reilly Center awards mini-grants to support research efforts aligning with its mission, namely research into the ethical, legal, social, and policy implications of science and technology. We are particularly interested in proposals that support one of our program areas of *The Ethics of Emerging Technologies*, or *People, Policy, and the Environment*, or *Health, Culture, and Society* as well as topical research endeavors addressing current events. Awards support research development, research production, collaborative research, working groups, course development, immediate response, conferences, workshops, visiting scholars, and guest speakers. Go to our website to learn more.

Research projects extending into the campus and local communities are encouraged. Options include incorporating presentations in courses or at a speaker series, organizing a social event between a visiting scholar and students, and coordinating a Reilly Center-sponsored event, such as a forum, conference, or café.

Open to faculty, staff, and postdocs, and students of Notre Dame. Faculty, staff, postdocs, and students do not need to have a formal affiliation with the Reilly Center to apply. Students enrolled in one of the Reilly Center’s educational programs (i.e. HPS, GLOBES, SRR, DD in AL/Eng, and STV) are strongly encouraged to apply. Applicants looking to improve their grant writing skills can contact the Reilly Center for help while developing the mini-grant proposal.

Contact the Reilly Center with questions. *If you have a speaker series or event and would like the Reilly Center to co-sponsor, you do not need to submit a mini-grant application. Please contact us directly.*

The Reilly Center’s Commitment
For any endeavor that the Reilly Center supports through an internal grant, we will also commit our services and resources. Such assistance includes advertising events, reaching off-campus audiences, identifying external funding sources, and helping with developing external grant proposals.

**Deadlines & Notifications**
There are three firm deadlines, but under exceptional circumstances, as with an opportunity that arises on short notice, requests will be considered at any time, subject to available funds.
- March 1 for projects undertaken during the summer. Notifications sent by April 1.
- June 1 for projects beginning fall semester. Notifications are sent by July 1.
- November 1 for projects beginning spring semester. Notifications are by sent December 1.
Deadlines are at 5:00 PM (EST). If the 1st of the month lands on a weekend, then the deadline will be changed to Monday the 2nd or 3rd.

**Financial Support**
The Reilly Center will award a maximum of $5,000 unless otherwise specified.
**Types of Support**
The Reilly Center welcomes proposals requesting full or partial support for research enterprises including, but not limited to, the following types.

*Event Support:* Helps to pay honoraria, travel, room and board, entertainment, and advertising expenses.
- Reilly Center Forum. *Paid in full by the Reilly Center. Contact us for details.*
- Conferences and Workshops.
- Visiting Scholars.
- Guest Speakers.

*Research & Education Projects:* The following is a list of examples and not an exhaustive list of what the Center is willing to fund.
- **Research.** Covers expenses for scholarly development and production.
- **Travel Grants.** Use the money to present at a conference, collaborate with off-campus partners, or perform research.
- **Collaborative Research.** Bring a guest to campus to pursue a collaborative research project. We encourage coordinating a presentation in a speakers series and/or course.
- **Working Groups.** Plunge into the depths of a topic over one to two years. Preference will be given to groups that incorporate students and postdoctoral fellows and propose tangible outcomes.
- **Course Development.** Supports the development of a new HPS or STV course. Please state in your proposal how this course will further your research.
- **Immediate Response.** Funds for responding to current events and national emergencies. Coordinate or give an impromptu presentation. Collect data on site or remotely.

**Attention Students**
The best proposals will be awarded. If there are more proposals that warrant support than our resources allow, priority will be given to students enrolled in one of our educational programs.

**Submitting a Proposal**
Each proposal should have the following information.
- Project Description (2 page maximum): Describe the research project and expected outcomes.
- References (1 page maximum): Use a citation style common to your discipline.
- Budget (1 page maximum): Provide your anticipated start and end date as well as dollar amount. Explain how the funds will be spent. Please specify whether you have other funding, especially if you are requesting partial support from the Reilly Center.
- CV (2 page maximum): Submit Curriculum Vitae for the proposer(s) and other key participants (e.g. guest speaker). Highlight accomplishments pertinent to the proposed project.
- Students only: Please provide proof of support from a faculty or staff member. This can be done by submitting your proposal jointly with a mentor, a letter of commitment from the project’s supervisor, or a letter of recommendation. If you have questions or would like help with putting your proposal together, please contact us. Submit your proposal via email attachment (preferably as a pdf) to the Reilly Center.

**Merit Criteria / Evaluation Process**
Reviewers will rate your proposal on the following criteria.
- How well does the project align with the Reilly Center’s mission and research initiatives?
- How well-conceived is the project? What are the strengths and weakness? Does it merit support?
- Are the key participants qualified to undertake this project?
- Who will benefit from the endeavor? What are the audiences?
- Can this project be completed with the amount of money requested (including other funding if there is any)? Is the time frame sufficient for completing the tasks proposed?