

The K-State Office for the Advancement of Women in Science and Engineering (KAWSE) is pleased to issue the Request for Proposals for Spring 2017 competition for the ADVANCE Distinguished Lecture Series (ADLS).

Most tenure-earning women professors in the natural science, social science and engineering departments in the Colleges of Agriculture, Arts & Sciences, Engineering, Human Ecology, Technology & Aviation, and Veterinary Medicine are eligible to participate in the KAWSE ADVANCE Distinguished Lecture Series. The purpose of this series is to encourage tenure-track women faculty members to make new professional connections. These colleagues may become valuable mentors or research collaborators, who can provide advice on manuscripts and grant proposals, and may serve as outside references for tenure applications. Faculty are eligible if they are in tenure-earning status, within the first five years of their employment, are not currently in the process of applying for tenure, and have previously hosted fewer than four ADLS speakers. Eligible participants may receive only one award during an academic year. There will be a maximum of 9 awards of \$1200 made as part of the Spring 2017 round of applications. Preference will be given to first-time applicants.

The KAWSE Office will provide partial financial support for eligible women faculty members to invite and bring seminar speakers to campus. The funds may be used for travel expenses and/or honoraria. Each applicant will, in conjunction with his/her department head and dean, identify a national leader (man or woman) in the applicant's discipline to participate in this seminar series. Ideally this should be a speaker who holds the rank of full professor, though speakers at other ranks or with equivalent non-academic experience can be considered under exceptional circumstances. These speakers will be recognized as ADVANCE Distinguished Lecturers. The seminar may be included as part of a normal departmental seminar series, but it also will be advertised across campus by the KAWSE Office. The pertinent college will pay for dinner for the speaker, the faculty host, the host's department head, and the host's Dean (the Dean and department head should be invited to dinner).

How to apply: Faculty members should send a one to two page proposal by **email** to Tawny Ochs, KAWSE Administrative Assistant (tawnyochs@k-state.edu) that includes the following information:

1. Your name, title, department and contact information.
2. Target date for seminar.
3. Name & affiliation of proposed ADVANCE Distinguished Lecturer. Also include a CV or website address to provide more information about the proposed lecturer's background or research interests.
4. Specific goals and anticipated benefits of your interaction with the lecturer.

5. A complete listing of ADLS speakers you have hosted in the past and the outcome/benefits of those visits.
6. A proposed budget for the visit including meals for the speaker, flight, hotel, room fees, and speaker fees.

Please visit the ADLS website at: <http://advance.k-state.edu/initiatives/lectseries.html>. There we provide tips on hosting a speaker and provide a sample application.

Up to \$1200 will be provided by the KAWSE Office to support each guest. The deadline for the submission of proposals is **Friday, March 10, 2017** for visits scheduled September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018. If the proposed speaker is unable to participate, you may submit an alternative proposal.

For more information, contact Tawny Ochs at 532-6088 or tawnyochs@k-state.edu.