

\$2500 Faculty and Graduate Student Seed Grants

Proposals due November 01, 2023

The Michigan State University Consortium for Sexual and Gender Minority Health is comprised of faculty and graduate students from the Colleges of Social Science, Education, Communication Arts and Sciences, Lyman Briggs, Human Medicine, and Arts and Letters. Our members study sexual and gender minority physical and mental health with a focus on minority stress, the life course perspective, and intersectionality, using social ecological approaches. The MSU Consortium for Sexual and Gender Minority Health is dedicated to supporting the overall wellbeing and health of LGBTQIA+ individuals across the lifespan. Grounded in the social sciences, we promote interdisciplinary SGM health research and collaborations that are vital to SGM communities. We provide mentorship and training to faculty and graduate students across and beyond MSU, engage with community stakeholders, and develop evidence-based strategies for promoting systemic change, social justice, and SGM health and wellness locally, nationally, and internationally. The Consortium serves as a coordinating resource for social science research in SGM health and aims to establish the College of Social Science at MSU as a national leader in SGM health research.

The Fall 2023 MSU Consortium for SGM Health Seed Grant will provide \$2,500 to a current MSU faculty member or graduate student in any program, department, or school (one faculty award and one graduate student award), to help fund the initiation or continuation of a research project on SGM health that reflects and/or advances the mission and aims of the Consortium. Submissions will be evaluated on their rigor and innovation, potential to advance the scholar's research agenda, and impact on SGM health.

To apply, please send an email with 1) a 3-page PDF attachment of your research proposal (including background, methods, contribution to your scholarship, potential implications and long term goals of the project, and for projects involving collaborations – a description of the role of each applicant); 2) an itemized budget that includes research expenses (e.g., participant payments, equipment, software, transcription and/or translation, editing); and 3) a detailed research completion timeline, to Carla A. Pfeffer (cpfeffer@msu.edu), Director of the Consortium for SGM Health, no later than November 01, 2023. The winner(s) will be announced in December and will be expected to provide a photo/headshot and write a brief statement about their work, which may be featured in listserv, newsletter, and website spotlights. *Note to students:* this award may impact your financial aid, please check before submitting a proposal.