

**THE ARTHUR M. GIGNILLIAT, Jr.,
2007 SUMMER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP AT AASU
Application Deadline: October 27, 2006**

The Office of Academic Affairs invites applications for AASU's premier faculty development grant: the Arthur M. Gignilliat, Jr., Summer Faculty Research Fellowship. Endowed by the Savannah Electric & Power Company, the Fellowship Fund is intended to "support Armstrong Atlantic State University's goal of maintaining a 'tradition of excellence' by providing the best educational and training experience for its students."

Summer Faculty Research Fellowships provide financial support for faculty conducting research or creative work during the summer months of 2007. Such research or creative work should serve not only to advance the scholarly activities of the faculty member but also to enhance that faculty member's abilities as a teacher and expand his or her areas of expertise.

Compensation for the research fellowship in summer 2007 will be \$5,000. A faculty member who is awarded a Gignilliat Fellowship may not teach more than one three-hour course during the 2007 summer term. Fellowships are reported as income and are taxable. Recipients of fellowships are expected to report the results of their projects to the Vice President and Dean of Faculty and other interested faculty within the first month of the fall semester following the fellowship period.

Members of both the Faculty Development Committee and the Research & Scholarship Committee will review applications and make recommendations for funding to the Vice President and Dean of Faculty, who will make the final decision on funding.

Information and Instructions

- All full-time faculty members are eligible to apply. Although a faculty member may *apply* for the Gignilliat Fellowship and an AASU faculty grant in 2006-2007, the individual awarded the Fellowship for summer 2007 will not be eligible to serve in 2006-2007 as the project director on a Research & Scholarship Grant, a Teaching & Learning Grant, or a Service & Leadership Grant.
- Fellowship proposals must clearly explain the purpose and goals of the planned research or creative work; explain how the intended project will enhance the faculty member's abilities as a teacher and expand or extend his or her areas of expertise; and explain how the intended outcomes of the project will be assessed and disseminated.
- If human subjects are to be used, Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval must be obtained before the fellowship can be awarded.
- Applications are to be made using this form and no more than five additional pages of narrative (double-spaced, 12-point font). The six guidelines that follow (at the top of the next page) should be addressed specifically in the narrative; proposals will be evaluated according to the criteria identified in those six guidelines. Please attach a copy of your curriculum vitae and (if necessary and available) IRB approval. No other attachments are permitted.
- Awards must be used for research projects or creative work to be carried out during the summer of 2007.
- Given the teaching mission of AASU, faculty-student collaborations and cross-disciplinary applications are encouraged.
- The Gignilliat Fellow must deliver a final report to the Vice President and Dean of Faculty no later than September 15, 2007.
- Completed applications must be received by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 27**. Ten copies of the completed application in addition to the original form are to be delivered to **Dick Nordquist in the Office of Faculty Development (Solms Hall 211)**.
- For further information, contact Dick Nordquist at 921 5991.

Please respond to the following guidelines on your own paper (five-page maximum, double-spaced, 12-point font).

1. Describe the specific nature and purpose of the project as well as the anticipated research outcomes and the impact on student learning.
2. Explain how the project will serve not only to advance your scholarly activities but also to enhance your abilities as a teacher and expand your areas of expertise.
3. Using the summer 2007 calendar as a timeline, explain how you intend to use the allotted time to complete your project.
4. Describe any initiatives that you may have already taken to implement this project or prepare for its implementation.
5. Identify your plan for assessing the results of your research project or creative work, including its impact on student learning.
6. Identify the means (e.g., workshops, publications, faculty lecture, *et al.*) by which you intend to communicate the results of this project to other interested faculty and students.

*I agree to abide by current University policies on conflicts of interest, misconducts in science, the use of human subjects and vertebrate animals in research, and other University research policies as appropriate. I certify that the required actions regarding compliance have been taken and that my associates on this project will be informed of the requirements of these policies.**

Applicant

Date

* Policies are referenced in the AASU Faculty Handbook and may be found in the AASU Grants and Contracts Manual for Research and Sponsored Programs, section 3, or on the AASU web site for the Vice President and Dean of Faculty.

APPROVALS

Comments by Department Chair (*attach a separate page if necessary*):

Signature of Department Chair

Date

Comments by Dean (*attach a separate page if necessary*):

Signature of Dean

Date