BEI Modern Europe Teaching Grants

The Blinken European Institute, Columbia's center for interdisciplinary research and teaching on Europe, announces grants for course development and collaborative teaching on topics related to modern and contemporary Europe. Columbia or Barnard faculty in any school or department may apply.

The BEI invites proposals for the development of new courses on topics of significance to Europe as a whole or its relations with other world regions, and for innovative enhancements to existing courses.

Courses should be at the 3000 or 4000 level. Funds may be used, for example, for adjunct teaching, graduate assistants, travel, technological support, and other expenses for course development or teaching. Proposals for new courses may include a stipend for the development of the course itself. Grants will be up to $8000.

Courses must be offered in the 2014-15 year, or fall 2015 at the latest, with the intention to teach them in future years. They need not have passed Committee on Instruction review at the time of submitting the proposal.

Proposals for Modern Europe Teaching Grants should include:
- A one-page description of the course topic, format, and goals that outlines how the course addresses issues of Europe-wide significance or approaches the region's relations with other parts of the world, and explains plans for sustaining the course after the grant
- Brief bios of all instructors, with an explanation of their roles
- A one-page preliminary list of readings
- A budget detailing the use of funds

Examples of previous grants can be found on the Blinken Institute web site at bei.columbia.edu/funding.

Please submit completed proposals electronically to the BEI Associate Director, Christopher Hill, at clh20@columbia.edu by January 15, 2014. Results will be announced on February 7.