

With the generous support of the Henry Luce Foundation,
the Council on Theological Scholarship and Research of The Association of Theological Schools (ATS)
is pleased to invite proposals for innovative research projects in theological studies . . .

These projects, to be conducted during the 2022–23 academic year, are significant elements in the Council's discernment of what grant opportunities for ATS faculty members are most promising and most needed following the end of the long-running and successful Henry Luce III Fellows in Theology program. The Council on Theological Scholarship and Research will assess proposals based on academic excellence, potential influence in public theologies (i.e., faith communities, theological schools, and/or broader publics), and how likely the proposal is to yield insights through its innovative design.

~The Council seeks projects that explore and experiment with new and creative ways to foster excellence in theological scholarship for the sake of matters of public concern. ~

Eligibility

- Full-time faculty members who serve in ATS schools

Application Requirements

- A brief description of the project and its significance, including implications for further study (250 words)
- A statement of the project's goals (200 words)
- A description of the project's process or work plan (200 words)
- Plans for dissemination (200 words)
- Budget (up to \$50,000; note: grant funds cannot be used to purchase computer hardware) (200 words)
- Signature(s) of the academic dean(s) of all faculty involved
- Abbreviated curriculum vitae of each faculty member involved that features research, presentations, and/or experience relevant to the project
- Names/contact information for three referees

Awards

- Grants up to \$50,000 each awarded to the grantee's school

Project Requirements

(must include at least one of the following)

- **Collaboration** between theological scholars of different cultures or ethnicities or backgrounds or ecclesial traditions or experience, and/or between theological scholars and specialists in other sectors of society
- **Use of innovative methods, including interdisciplinary engagement**, between scholars in theological disciplines, or between theological scholars and those in other than theological disciplines
- **Expanding possible modes of dissemination** that may include academic and trade publications, public lectures, and presentations to concerned publics through the media, social media, blogs, podcasts, video, or artistic venues



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Timeline

- Applications due by **June 1, 2022**
(PDF emailed to [Monica Laughery](#))
- Awards to be announced **July 1, 2022**
- Grant recipients invited to participate in **mid-year conference (February/March 2023)** to share and assess progress
- Projects must be completed during 2022–23 academic year
- Final report due by **August 1, 2023**
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