

# Work with Purpose Initiative | Student Idea Grants

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The Work with Purpose Initiative is awarding [Student Idea Grants](#). These grants are designed to encourage Bethel Seminary students to develop and implement practical projects related to faith, work, vocation, economics, and/or whole-life discipleship.

**Eligibility:** Applications will be accepted from all currently enrolled Bethel Seminary students. Proposals must be completely implemented by **December 31, 2018**.

**Program Goals:** (1) To fund \$200-\$1,000 toward the development of leadership and/or programming in one or more of the Work with Purpose Initiative's themes of faith, work, vocation, economics, and whole-life discipleship); (2) to implement developed materials and/or knowledge within a church setting in ways that contribute to the student's personal and pastoral formation; and (3) to inspire change in the church that will lead people to see their ordinary work as a place of extraordinary discipleship, stewardship of gifts, and service to the world.

**Ideal Projects:** (1) Demonstrate biblical and theological grounding as it engages congregants in practical issues of faith, work, and economics; (2) are fully developed and implemented by the end of fall semester 2017; and (3) result in clear congregant outcomes.

**Key Dates:**

- Grants will be approved on a rolling basis
- Funds will be disbursed upon approval of proposal and application
- Application process closes once \$8,000 has been fully allocated
- Grant reports are due no later than December 31, 2018

**Disbursement:** (1) Upon approval of the proposal and application, the grant funds will be disbursed on a rolling basis; (2) in the event of a cancellation where a project was fully prepared, 50% of the designated grant amount will be awarded; (3) direct costs can be reimbursed as incurred up to 50% of the amount of grant. To qualify for reimbursement, an accounting of funds spent, with receipts for all expenditures, is required.

**Reporting:** A written report of the student's experience and congregant response and/or a formal assessment is due *no later than* **December 31, 2018**. A copy of all material developed under the grant should also accompany the report. All submitted artifacts will be shared with partners in Work with Purpose Initiative's network (including the Kern Family Foundation and other related networks) at the discretion of Work with Purpose staff.

**To Apply:** Complete and submit the online application at [bethel.edu/seminary/work-with-purpose/student-grants](http://bethel.edu/seminary/work-with-purpose/student-grants)

