

# CAROLINA SEMINARS

*fostering intellectual exchange*

at UNC and across North Carolina



THE UNIVERSITY  
of NORTH CAROLINA  
at CHAPEL HILL

## 2023 – 2024 CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The Carolina Seminars program invites proposals for the 2023-2024 academic year. Grounded in dynamic collaborative study, we expect to support three to four new seminars. The deadline is May, 5th, 2023.

### ABOUT CAROLINA SEMINARS

The program is built around in-depth initiatives designed to study complex problems and issues, bridge disciplinary boundaries, and enrich academic discourse. Each seminar is guided by a group of scholars from two different UNC-CH departments and/or two different institutions, one of which must be UNC. In addition to logistical support, the program offers modest financial support. Preference will be given to seminars that emphasize in-depth discussion of new or in-progress scholarship.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY?

UNC-CH faculty and staff (EPA Non-Faculty) excited to explore a topic through interdisciplinary lenses. We particularly encourage applications that will bring together scholars and students from different backgrounds (professional, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.).

### SEMINAR GUIDELINES

Support is available for Carolina Seminars in two formats—the Traditional and the Problem-Based Format.

#### *Traditional Format (1-year)*

- Formed around an ongoing topic area.
- Expected to meet at least six times during an academic year, unless a compelling case is made for a different meeting plan.
- Receives base funding of \$1,600 for the academic year. However, conveners may request additional funding for specific needs. Allotted funds must be spent by May 24th, 2024.
- May be renewed annually if the seminar remains intellectually vibrant, active, and aligned with the program's priorities.

### *Problem-Based Format (2-year)*

- Formed around an intellectual problem or task.
- Expected to meet at least six times yearly, culminating in a specific work (publication, white paper, research agenda, grant proposal, etc.).
- Receives base funding of \$3,200 for the academic year. However, conveners may request additional funding for specific needs. Allotted funds must be spent by May 24th, 2024. These seminars can meet for one year to a max of two years.
- Will not be renewed after the proposed period is complete.
- Not required but preferred: Offers collaboration with other institutions outside of UNC.

### *Problem-Based Format (3-year)*

- Formed around an intellectual problem or task.
- Expected to meet at least six times yearly, culminating in a specific work (publication, white paper, research agenda, grant proposal, etc.).
- Receives base funding of \$3,200 for the academic year. However, conveners may request additional funding for specific needs. Allotted funds must be spent by May 24th, 2024. These seminars can meet for one year to a max of three years.
- Will not be renewed after the proposed period is complete.
- Not required but preferred: Offers collaboration with other institutions outside of UNC.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

To apply, complete the application form at <http://carolinaseminars.unc.edu/how-to-apply/>

***Applications are due no later than May 5th, by 5PM EST.***

Contact [carolinaseminars@unc.edu](mailto:carolinaseminars@unc.edu) with any questions.