

### ***Stay in Focus Follow-up Grants***

The Focus Program encourages collaboration between faculty and students who have participated in the Focus Program. The *Stay in Focus* Follow-up Grant is designed to allow faculty and students to engage in research, design and creative arts projects that follow up on Focus Program experiences. Proposals are solicited twice per year—once in the spring and once in the fall. A faculty committee reviews the proposals and awards are made to carry out selected projects during the following semester or over the summer.

Proposals are submitted by student-faculty partners. Every project must be sponsored by at least one current or former faculty member of the Focus Program, although more than one student may be involved in the project. Any current or past Focus student is eligible. Faculty sponsors will supervise the projects and provide selected resources such as space and facilities. The *Stay in Focus* Follow-up Grants are intended to augment these resources with funds to support student work time on the projects, to purchase materials needed to carry out the project, or to fund travel and other project-related costs. Awards will fall in the range of \$200-\$500 per project. Projects are not awarded in conjunction with Independent Study credits.

Student-faculty partners who receive the *Stay in Focus* Follow-up Grant are expected to participate in the annual undergraduate research symposium sponsored by Trinity College of Arts and Sciences that follows their award period. The symposium under the title “Visible Thinking” is (tentatively) scheduled each April. It consists of either a poster presentation or an oral presentation of the project. Dean Mary Nijhout of Trinity College oversees this activity and welcomes Focus students and faculty to participate whether or not they receive our grants.

Proposals should include the application form provided by the Focus Program, which requests the following information: (1) the rationale and purpose of the project, (2) the resources required to carry it out, (3) the time frame for the work and (4) the planned outcome of this work, such as a poster report, public presentation or performance, or research paper, etc.

Please fill out and sign the application form provided and submit by the deadlines listed on the Focus Program web site (<http://focus.duke.edu>).

**Stay in Focus Follow-up Grant Application**

**Applicants**

Student(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Faculty \_\_\_\_\_  
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- I. Rationale and purpose of the project. [Summarize the motivations and objectives of the project in approximately two paragraphs.]**
  
- II. List and justification of budgetary items of the project (up to \$500). [This may include costs of materials/facilities, hourly support of student work time, travel and other needs.]**
  
- III. Timeframe and site(s) of the project. [Outline the expected timeframe of work on this project and the location(s) for its conduct.]**
  
- IV. Planned outcome of this project, e.g. conference poster, design/art display, performance, research report, etc.**

**Other funding: Have you applied for/or received funding for this project from another source? No\_\_\_ Yes\_\_\_ If so, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_**  
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**Signatures of Student/Faculty Partners**

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**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_