

2025–2026 CCCC Research Grants: Review Criteria

Proposals will be scored on a 5 point scale using criteria defined below.

- Excellent: 5
- Very good: 4
- Good: 3
- Adequate: 2
- Poor: 1

Criteria are ordered according to importance, corresponding to the following weightings:

- Significance: 30%
- Credibility: 25%
- Quality of Narrative and Approach: 20%
- Budget: 15%
- Deliverables: 10%

Eligibility for Review	Proposers are members of CCCC Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Timelines proposed meet the guidelines Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> All Required parts of proposal are included Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Please assign a score for each category:
Significance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does this study address an important problem? • Is it well-situated in important scholarly conversations? • If its aims are achieved, how will disciplinary knowledge be advanced? • Will this project advance and contribute to the continued development of the applicant(s) as a scholar?
Applicant(s)' Credibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is (are) the applicants(s) appropriately trained and well suited to carry out this work? • Is the proposed work appropriate to the experience level of the applicant(s)?
Quality of Proposal's Narrative and Approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the proposal meet all criteria in the guidelines appropriate to the type of research it proposes? Please keep in mind that we conceptualize research broadly and are open to a range of approaches. • Are the conceptual framework, design, methods, and analyses adequately developed, well integrated, and appropriate to the aims of the project? • Does the applicant acknowledge potential problem areas and consider limitations? • Are the aims original and innovative? • Does the project employ novel concepts, approaches, or methods?
Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can the proposed work be accomplished with the funds requested and the time period described? • Is the suggested allocation of funds reasonable? • Are the budgeted requests justified? • Has the PI (and Co-PIs) provided an adequate explanation regarding the time, travel and expenses for archival research, studio space, office space for graduate students, etc. to carry out the proposed activity?
Deliverables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is there a reasonable plan for dissemination of the results of the project's investigation? • Will there be tangible ways that the CCCC's support is credited and that the organization's mission is furthered?