

Honors Propel Grant Northeastern University Honors Program

The **Honors Propel Grant** initiative is designed to enable University Honors students to engage in meaningful, creative, and potentially impactful, learning experiences of their own design, that is mentored and evaluated by Northeastern faculty.

Honors Propel Grants can be sought to begin a new project, or to continue or extend a project that may have begun in any educational context (e.g., an Honors LLC, co-op, global service project, or academic course) so that their work may have greater impact. This greater impact may occur, for example, in the form of a start-up company, an original software package, NGO, performance, exhibit, grant proposal, or peer-reviewed publication.

Honors Propel Grants are intended to promote the development of the kinds of documented learning experiences that can be evaluated and validated to meet the expectations of the hybrid competency-based experiential learning model. That is, the **successful completion of the learning activities outlined in an approved Honors Propel Grant may be used in lieu of one Honors course to meet the requirements of graduation of Honors Distinction.**

Eligibility: This experience is open to all University Honors students, in good academic standing, at any point in their academic career who are. Students are eligible to receive up to three Honors Propel Grants throughout their undergraduate years at Northeastern.

Teams of students may apply for an Honors Propel Grant; however, their applications must clearly define the learning objectives and experiences planned for each participating student.

Application Process: Students should prepare a proposal of their project that includes: (1) an abstract or brief summary of the project; (2) the overall objectives or aims of their project along with a rationale as to why it is important to achieve these objectives; (3) the method(s) they intend to use to achieve their objectives; (4) expected results; (5) the potential impact of their project; and (6) a detailed budget request and justification. Allowable expenses include supplies, materials, software, travel. Students should identify at least one faculty member who has agreed to serve as mentor of their work. Students must request that the faculty mentor sends a brief statement of support for the project and that they agree to serve as a faculty mentor to honors@northeastern.edu.

Funding: Honors Propel Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis. Ten awards up to \$1000 per project are possible each academic year.

Please note that depending up the type and scope of their proposed project, students may be referred to other funding sources. For example, first- and second-year students proposing a research or creative endeavor should apply for an Honors Early Research Award or funding from the University's Office of Research and Undergraduate Fellowships to support their work.