

William R. Waters Research Grant Application

**Deadline for Submission: November 1, 2007
for
Grant for 2008**

Name: _____

University or College: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No: _____

Email Address: _____

Descriptive Title of Research Project:

Applicant's Status:

Ph.D. student _____

Untenured Faculty below the Rank of Associate Professor _____

Tenured Faculty below Rank of Associate Professor _____

References (name, address, telephone number)

(A) Dissertation Chair or Department Chair

(B) Association for Social Economics Member

Are you applying for other funds? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, indicate amount and source:

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Instructions

The purpose of the William R. Waters Research Grant Program is to inspire economists to organize their research in social economics and the social economy along the lines suggested by William Waters in his presidential address to the Association for Social Economics.

The major concern of social economics is explaining the economy in its broadest aspects; that is, showing how human beings deal with the ordinary business of using human and physical resources to achieve a level of material comfort. Explanation includes cultural, political, and ethical details as they are needed for a full understanding. As in any economics, there are three parts to social economics. First is the philosophical base of the social economist, which may or may not be a reflection of the philosophical base or ethos of the society he/she is studying. Social economics (or any economics) builds upon it. It is the hard core as in the recent popular literature of the philosophy of science. The second part of the discipline is a description of the significant characteristics of the economy. The economist must observe the multiplicity of economic reality and abstract those characteristics that are substantive. The two together, the philosophical premises and the empirical observations, will determine the third part of the discipline, social economic policy. Policy formulation is thus a mix of the first two. [William R. Waters, presidential address, *Social Economics: A Solidarist Perspective*, *Review of Social Economy*, 1988, p. 113 ff.].

Eligibility – Graduate Students in Ph.D. programs who have not yet completed their dissertation or "junior" faculty members. All faculty must hold a rank below that of Associate Professor (or its equivalent outside the USA).

Application should be double-spaced. Parts I-V should not exceed a total of 5 pages.

- I. Provide a Description of the Research Project (including the issues to be examined and the methods to be employed).
- II. What is the Purpose of the Project? (Include what attracted you to this project and to social economics.)
- III. What is the Significance of your research to Social Economics?
- IV. What is your Plan of Work? (Include a time-table for your summer research, travel plans, resources to be consulted, etc.)
- V. Submit a Budget Estimation (direct costs and stipend).
- VI. Enclose a copy of your current Curriculum Vitae (not to exceed two pages).

Return your completed application with two letters of recommendation to:

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