

COLLEGE OF  
**SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES**



MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MANKATO

## ***2017 Frontier Forum***

### **Application Instructions**

#### **I. PURPOSE**

The annual Frontier Forum lecture series was created in 1980 as a means to encourage scholarly exchange of research among faculty, students and the community. The Forum provides an environment for sharing, disseminating and stimulating discussion on scholarly interdisciplinary research, contemporary issues and the ideas from the disciplines in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

#### **II. CRITERIA FOR SELECTION**

All faculty members of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences are eligible to apply. Collaborations between faculty members and graduate students are also encouraged. The topic that is selected for the lecture must be:

1. addressing contemporary or interdisciplinary research and debate;
2. stimulating and likely to encourage discussion;
3. of interest to faculty, students and the community;
4. the product of scholarship and one's own research.

#### **III. LECTURE FORMAT**

DATE: Mutually acceptable (between lecturer, dean and committee) date Spring 17.

FORMAT: Formal presentation of up to 50 minutes followed by audience participation. A respondent may be named by the Committee after the lecturer and topic have been selected.

#### **IV. APPLICATION**

Applicants should submit a 1-2 page abstract and a current vitae to the Research Committee (in care of the Dean's office, AH 111) describing the lecture topic and major arguments. Please indicate how your proposal addresses the criteria listed above. Please also indicate what audiovisual equipment is necessary. The abstract is due **November 1, 2016**. The Research Committee will review all abstracts, interview the top three applicants, and forward a recommendation to the Dean. The Dean will announce the honoree shortly thereafter.

#### **V. AWARD**

An honorarium of **\$1,000 or \$1,000** in non-salary funds (e.g., software, books, professional travel) is provided to the successful applicant. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Thompson at AH111.