

**TITLE:** Faculty Commons Pilot Program at the Center for Ideas and Society

**AWARD YEAR:** 2018

**BUDGET:** \$75,000

**INVESTIGATORS:**

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**ABSTRACT:**

The College of Humanities, Arts and Social Science's ("CHASS") Faculty Commons Pilot Program seeks to build intellectual and supportive interdisciplinary communities based on common research, teaching, and learning concentrations and integration of those communities with one another and the campus as a whole. The pilot effort will empower dynamic and flourishing groups by offering support for building membership across CHASS and UCR; holding community building events; hosting outside speakers and experts in each group's research topics; sponsoring research and working paper discussions; sponsoring manuscript development sessions; funding working lunches and group excursions related to the workshop's topics; mentoring junior colleagues and helping them to develop their academic networks; and pursuing cross-programming opportunities with other working groups and with other interdisciplinary projects at the Center for Ideas and Society.