The Institute for Practical Ethics (IPE) at UC San Diego will consider proposals for funding of projects that fit IPE goals. The first round of applications will support projects completed in the current academic year (2017-18) or next (2018-19). Supported projects are expected to be distinct from other faculty grants. Proposals will be evaluated according to their quality, relevance and impact. Interdisciplinary projects are preferred, as are projects that involve more than one faculty member, and which coalesce around a general theme. Examples of topical areas supported include – but are not limited to – social or ethical issues arising in big data and engineering, climate change, genetic engineering, clinical trials in medicine, biodiversity, nudging in healthcare, empirical investigations into ethics, and much more. Successful applicants must agree to acknowledge IPE support in all products arising from this funding.

**Eligibility.** Applicants must be internal UC San Diego faculty or research scientists. Applicants who receive funding agree to become Affiliated Faculty of the IPE. Affiliated Faculty agree to (a) have their names listed on the IPE website and (b) make an effort to attend at least 3-5 IPE events per academic year.

**Project Size.** To help fix expectations, please note that in the first round supported projects will receive modest funding of approximately $5000 or less, although there is no strict maximum or minimum. As IPE acquires additional funds, we expect to make larger awards in the future. Examples of projects include: visiting speakers or a small speaker series, stipends or travel expenses for short term visiting professors, graduate student summer research stipends, research expenses, workshops and conferences held on campus. At this time, IPE does not solicit applications to fund faculty salary or travel to academic conferences.

**Dates.** Applications will be accepted until January 4, 2018. Applicants will be notified by February 1, 2018.

**How to Apply.** Please send a two-page Project Description to ipe@ucsd.edu by January 4, 2018. This description should include:
• the names and affiliations of the proposing faculty or research scientists
• a 300-500 word executive summary of the project
• a brief explanation of how the project will further IPE's goals
• a short budget and budget justification.

**Award Process.** After the review committee has made its decision, the IPE Business Office will transfer the awarded amount to the faculty or research scientist’s home department index by the end of the following month.

**Reporting Process.** Submit a one page report by June 30, 2018 of the project’s progress. This report will be compiled as part of IPE’s annual submission to the Dean of Arts and Humanities, and the content may be used as part of the IPE Annual Report.

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