



UNC-CH Peer Support Core

Peers for Progress

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

## Call for Proposals

### Advancing Peer Support at UNC-Chapel Hill

The UNC-CH Peer Support Core invites applications for mini-grants that advance peer support at UNC-Chapel Hill. Applications will be accepted through **May 15, 2024** and will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

The vision of peer support driving this activity is a broad one, including formal programs and casual interactions that contribute to feelings of connectedness at UNC-Chapel Hill. Projects might focus on activities, resources, or even physical improvements that facilitate people connecting. Projects may focus on any or all of staff, students, and faculty.

#### Guidelines

- Applications are open to all current students, staff, and faculty at UNC-Chapel Hill.
- The total amount of funding available is **\$30,000**.
- Awards may not exceed \$5,000 without prior approval from the Core.
- Only direct costs are allowed; no indirect costs.
- Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals that serve one or more high-priority student groups (BIPOC, first generation, LGBTQ+, international, low family income, military-affiliated and veteran, female-identifying in areas in which females are historically underrepresented, persons with disabilities)
- Applicants may submit more than one proposal and are encouraged to work with the Core to develop proposals that have a high chance of being accepted.
- Given the purpose of facilitating development of ongoing opportunities for connection and interaction, **funding for single events will generally not be provided**. However, one or several events with a clear plan for using these as part of broader efforts to encourage social connections will be eligible for funding.
- Funding requests can be for ongoing activities – indeed this is desirable.
- Funds may be used to cover conference and travel costs.
- Funds may not be used to pay for food and beverages.
- Funds must be spent by **June 15, 2024**.

## Examples of Projects / Expenses

- Setting up casual meetup spaces on campus (e.g., swing sets, sitting areas such as Adirondack chairs and benches, tents)
- Inviting speakers to come on campus to give talks on campus mental health and peer support (possible collaborative project) as part of ongoing development of opportunities and structures for connection
- Fees for training students, staff or faculty in skills which can then enhance programs
- Event fees (e.g., room fees, speaker fees, incentives) as part of ongoing development of opportunities and structures for connection
- Costs of developing or starting up ongoing groups around shared recreational, academic, or social interests
- Conference registration for topics related to peer support for college students
- Fees for peer support / mental health trainings and workshops
- Activity costs for expanding or enhancing an existing peer support program
- Producing marketing materials for a peer support program
- Combining arts and peer support
- Collaborations with community organizations or other college campuses

## Application Documents

[Application form](#)

### Submission

Applications must be submitted by email to [UNCPSCore@unc.edu](mailto:UNCPSCore@unc.edu) with the subject line **Peer Support 23-24 Mini-Grant Application**

### Reporting

Grant recipients will be required to submit a short final report no later than **June 15, 2024**.

## Questions and Consultations for Applicants

Potential applicants may submit requests for clarification or draft proposal ideas to [UNCPSCore@unc.edu](mailto:UNCPSCore@unc.edu)