



# The AEA Departmental Seed Grants for Innovation in Diversity and Inclusion

## About the Awards

The American Economic Association and its Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economic Profession (CSMGEP) have established an annual **AEA Departmental Seed Grants for Innovation and Diversity**. This one-time award is open to US-based economics departments in an amount up to \$5,000 to help establish a new “bridge program” or training program. Departments would use these funds to develop a program for underrepresented minorities (URM) such as persons who identify as American Indian, Alaskan Native, Black (not of Hispanic origin), Hispanic (including persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, and Central or South American origin), or Pacific Islander and other groups that are traditionally underrepresented in the field of economics.

For example, a department might create a mentoring program for URM graduate or undergraduate students, opportunities for URM students to do meaningful research assistant work, or a program that allows URM students who need additional preparation for graduate school to take a lighter class load in the first year or to take core economics courses over two years.

*Complete application criteria are available at the AEA website.*

## 2023 Award Winners

**Congratulations California State University, Bakersfield and Loyola Marymount University!**



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY  
**BAKERSFIELD**



**Loyola Marymount**  
University

Previous award winners:

2022 **Florida International University**

2021 **Middlebury College and University of Kansas**

2020 **Georgia State University and Southern Methodist University**

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