Faculty Support and Fellowship Committee Report

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**Committee Report**

In Nov. 2021, the committee approved and ranked nine sabbatical applications.

When reviewing the sabbatical applications for academic year 2022-2023, the Faculty Support and Fellowship Committee made several recommendations to improve the process in the future:

1. College can provide guidance to applicants on writing for scholars who are not specialists in their field. The applicants should be advised to use accessible language in their project summaries.
2. We each used our own selection criteria, and this process could be standardized. [[1]](#footnote-1)
3. It may be beneficial to require that faculty applying for a second sabbatical include their final report from their previous sabbatical.

1. Some criteria that were used by committee members were: feasibility of project; outside funding; value of project to applicant’s teaching, field of study, or research trajectory; need for sabbatical to complete project; accessibility of summary; inclusion of supporting materials, such as acceptance letters for visiting scholar positions. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)