Purpose and Goal
In recognition of Armin Grams, PhD and his commitment and passion for aging, the Center on Aging announces a call for proposals for pilot research projects that will lead to extramural funding in aging research. The overall goal is to increase funded research at the University of Vermont focused on aging.

Eligibility:
The PI must be a member of the UVM/UVM Medical Center faculty. Junior faculty, Adjunct faculty, and those with no prior research funding must have an identified mentor in his or her department. Joint PI proposals encouraged.

Award Amount
Budget requests must not exceed $50,000 total and may not be used to supplement existing research grants, to provide interim support, or to support previously funded research. The award may be used over one or two years. Unused funds at the end of two years will be forfeited.

Reporting Requirements
- Written Reports: A progress report, which includes financial reporting, is due every six (6) months during the grant period and be limited to 1-2 paragraphs.
- A final report is due within sixty (60) days of completion of the grant and be limited to 2-5 pages.
- Availability of award funding may be delayed or cancelled if recipients fail to meet progress report deadlines, comply with award guidelines or fail to meet proposed project goals and timelines.
- Presentations: You will be expected to present your research at a Center on Aging sponsored lecture/seminar, and you may be asked to give a lay presentation to the community.

Publications resulting from support under this mechanism must contain an acknowledgment such as "Supported by a grant from the Center on Aging at the University of Vermont". A copy of every article with the appropriate acknowledgement should be sent to the Center on Aging.

Deadlines
Proposal deadline is April 1, 2016. Funding will commence on June 1, 2016
Proposals should be submitted electronically to Jeanne Hutchins  jeanne.hutchins@med.uvm.edu

Questions:
Please refer questions to the Center on Aging  jeanne.hutchins@med.uvm.edu, 656-0292.
Armin Grams came to the University of Vermont in 1970 to establish the Human Development and Family Studies Program. His early work was in the area of parent-child relationships but his focus soon switched to human relationships and sexuality. In the later years of his career, his interest turned to gerontology.

Dr. Grams developed and taught several courses on gerontology and he was instrumental in establishing both the UVM Center on Aging and a Gerontology Certificate program. He also served in many national and international organizations in the area of aging including President of the Association of Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE), 1992-1993

In May of 2002, Dr. Grams received an honorary doctor of letters from his alma mater, Concordia University. Grams retired from UVM in 1990.
Title of Project: 

Lead Applicant(s)

Applicant 1  Name & Title:  
Department/Program:  
Email:  
Phone:  

Applicant 2  Name & Title:  
Department/Program:  
Email:  
Phone:  

(Repeat as necessary)

Total Requested: $ _________________

ARE HUMAN SUBJECTS INVOLVED IN THE RESEARCH?  ___YES  ___NO
ARE VERTEBRATE ANIMALS INVOLVED IN THE RESEARCH  ___YES  ___NO

FUNDED APPLICANTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN IRB APPROVAL BEFORE FUNDS ARE DISBURSED

SIGNATURES OF LEAD APPLICANTS, CHAIRS AND DEANS:
Your signatures indicates your agreement to comply with all relevant rules and regulations as described in the Armin Grams Memorial Research Award Call for Proposals. Chair and Dean signatures indicate knowledge of submission and agreement to provide home unit tracking of the budget for awardees.

Applicant 1  
(Applicant’s printed name and signature)  
(Chair/Director printed name and signature)  
(Dean’s printed name and signature)

Applicant 2  
(Applicant’s printed name and signature)  
(Chair/Director printed name and signature)  
(Dean’s printed name and signature)

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Abstract: (Limit 200 Words):
Abstract should be comprehensible to a broad audience, not specific to the discipline(s) of the project. Abstracts for research selected for funding will be publically available.

Describe how this research project seeks to explore new questions or new avenues of investigation for the applicant(s):

Budget: Fill in those areas for which you will have costs. Total budget may not exceed $50,000

Total Requested: ____________________
**Detailed Request:**

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**Salary and Fringe**: Salary not allowed for tenure track faculty with the exception of summer salary for those on 9 or 10 month contracts for this Award’s effort during the summer months. FY16 fringe rates are 41.8% for faculty and staff, 7.1 for Graduate Assistants (GRA or GA), and 9.6% for temporary wage (including for undergraduate students or graduate students not funded as Graduate Assistants – suggested wage for graduate students is $20/hr.).

If you plan to fund a graduate student as a Graduate Assistant, salary must meet the minimum Graduate College rate ($2,000 per month for doctoral students or $1,750 per month for masters’ students for 20 hours/week effort) plus 5 credits of in state tuition for students paid in fall or spring terms. Out-of-state differential on tuition must be paid by your unit. Please include Letter of Support by Dean’s Office for this tuition scholarship (Unit may also provide the in state amount).

Graduate students currently supported on assistantships cannot work above their assistantship effort on this Award.

**Budget Justification (limit to one page):**

Justify costs for each category in your budget. For each person with a salary, please describe in detail percent effort on the project and indicate base salary. For 9 month tenure track faculty, please detail the calculation of requested summer salary. For supplies, indicate major categories in this justification. Include any items listed under “other” in Detailed Request.
Other Funds: If funds from other sources are currently available (or will be given as a match) to complement support for this research, please describe here:

Leveraging Funds: Describe your plans for leveraging the Armin Grams Award funding for future extramural proposals.

Remainder of Application:
The rest of this application consists of a project description, a bibliography and an abbreviated CV for each of the project leaders listed on this form. Specific directions for each component follows:

Project Description:
Provide details of the project in the context of the Armin Grams Memorial Research Award Goal and Purpose. (Limited to three (3) single spaced pages with at least 11 point font.)

References/Bibliography:
No limit to pages. Use appropriate format for your discipline.

Faculty CV/Resumes:
Append an abbreviated CV or Resume limited to four (4) pages per person for all faculty/staff involved in the research.