



**ADVANCE Distinguished Lecture Series
Request for Proposals
Year 5 (April 1, 2008-September 30, 2008)**

Untenured, tenure-earning women professors in the natural science, social science and engineering departments in the Colleges of Agriculture, Arts & Sciences, Engineering, Human Ecology, Technology & Aviation, and Veterinary Medicine are eligible to participate in the NSF-funded K-State ADVANCE Project Seminar Series. The purpose of this series is to encourage women faculty members during the probationary tenure period to make new professional connections that will facilitate research collaborations and build a network of colleagues who will be valuable mentors and who can serve as future referees for manuscripts and grant proposals, and outside references for tenure applications. Eligible participants may apply on an annual basis.

The K-State ADVANCE Project will provide partial financial support for eligible women faculty members to invite and bring seminar speakers to campus. The funds may be used for travel expenses and/or honoraria. Each applicant will, in conjunction with her department head and dean, identify a national leader (male or female) in the applicant's discipline to participate in this seminar series. These speakers will be recognized as ADVANCE Distinguished Lecturers. The seminar may be included as part of a normal departmental seminar series, but it also will be advertised across campus by the ADVANCE Project. The pertinent college will pay for dinner for the speaker, the woman faculty host, her department head, and her Dean.

How to apply: Faculty members should send a proposal by email to Rebecca Wood, ADVANCE Project Coordinator (rwood@ksu.edu) that includes the following information:

1. Your name, title, department and contact information.
2. Target date for seminar.
3. Name & affiliation of ADVANCE distinguished lecturer. Also include a CV or website address to provide more information about the proposed lecturer's background or research interests.
4. Specific goals and anticipated benefits of your interaction with the lecturer.

Please follow the format as outlined in the "Sample Application" at:
www.k-state.edu/advance/SeminarsEvents/distinguished_series.htm.

Up to \$1200 will be provided by the ADVANCE Project to support each seminar. The deadline for the submission of proposals is **April 4, 2008**, for seminars April 2008 through September 2008. If the proposed speaker is unable to participate, you may submit an alternative name for approval. *****Seminars and speaker travel must be completed by September 30, 2008.*****

For more information or questions about this opportunity, contact Rebecca Wood at 532-6088 or rwood@ksu.edu.