



## APPLY FOR SEED FUNDING:

### Ethics Book Clubs for Staff

#### Program Goals

Established in 2015, the Ethics Book Clubs for Staff initiative has spread across Duke's campus. **More than 50 books have been read across 15 departments.** The book clubs foster an informal and fun conversational space for Duke staff to discuss works of fiction and non-fiction broadly related to ethics.

The Kenan Institute is able to support new staff book clubs in the University and Medical Center units with \$500 seed-funding. **Funds can be used to purchase books and supplies for the first year of activity.** To apply, complete the form on Page 2 and submit to **Jeremy Buotte** ([jeremy.buotte@duke.edu](mailto:jeremy.buotte@duke.edu)).

#### Eligibility

- New clubs receiving seed funding must complete a **report of funding use by June 30<sup>th</sup>** of the academic year in which the funding is received.
- Clubs are **open only to staff members** from Duke departments and schools; clubs must be comprised entirely of Duke staff members
- Clubs must **engage issues surrounding ethics** through their book selections and group conversations (sample book list available upon request)
- Clubs **should meet approximately monthly and meet on-campus**, preferably during work hours
- Clubs **should be interested in convening** with the Kenan Institute for Ethics and other book clubs for occasional large-group discussions
- Continuing clubs should **submit a report of activities** in June of each year.

**APPLICATION:**

**Ethics Book Clubs for Staff**

**Date:**

**Contact person**

Name:

Email:

Phone Number:

**Number of participating staff members:**

**Which department(s) are they from?**

*We encourage departments with fewer than 5 participating staff to apply jointly with another small department. Contact Jeremy Buotte for more information ([jeremy.buotte@duke.edu](mailto:jeremy.buotte@duke.edu)).*

**What do you and your colleagues hope to gain from starting a book club?**

**Do you expect to have departmental support after your first year of grant funding?**

**What books are you and fellow staff members interested in reading?**

**Are you aware of the following funding requirements?**

- Clubs *must* engage issues surrounding ethics, meet approximately monthly, and be staff only.
- You *must* complete a report of your funding use by June 30<sup>th</sup>
- You *must* submit at least two photos of your group's activities, such as: a group photo, a candid shot of a discussion, a selfie with your books, etc.) This will be used to promote the program to other departments on campus.

Yes \_\_\_ / No \_\_\_