IAS 5x5 Application Fall 2019

**Section 1** Applications for Spring 2020 5x5 working groups are open now and will be reviewed at the end of the Fall 2019 semester.

Name:

Email Address:

Department/Unit of Off-Campus Institutional Affiliation:

University Status (Faculty, Staff, Graduate Student) or Off-Campus Occupation:

**Section 2**

Please give a short response to two or more of the following questions.

Note that when we ask for “potential participants” you may describe broadly those that you think might have something to contribute, e.g., an archaeologist or an urban farmer; you do not need to name individuals. (You may if you have someone particular in mind; we ask that you not submit names of people you have already had an established working partnership with, as one of the goals of the 5x5 program is expanding intellectual, creative, and personal networks. If you have a specific project and collaborators in mind, we suggest you look at our IAS Research and Creative Collaborative program).

1. What intriguing new keyword, trend, or idea is cropping up for you lately? Why is this interesting to you? Propose a theme or concept, or a format for a 5x5 group that would help you to explore this.

2. Is there a scholar or discipline on campus whose work is unfamiliar yet fascinating to you? Why do you think this is interesting? What might you learn from one another? Propose a theme or concept, or a format for a 5x5 group that would help you to learn more.

3. Do you have an eclectic idea, or unusual approach to critical problems facing the world? Why do you think your approach could be valuable? Propose a theme or question for a 5x5 group.

4. Propose one or more potential participants that you would be interested in exploring ideas with in a 5x5. Why these individuals (or types of individuals-- perhaps an anthropologist, or computer scientist, policy activist, etc.)? Note: This can include community members from outside the university.

5. Do you ever think: If only I weren't a [scholar in my discipline], I would love to be a [scholar or professional in X discipline or X occupation]? Why does that alternate field interest you? Propose a theme or question for a 5x5 group that might bring your discipline and that other field together.

6. What do you think is a significant question or interesting approach for identifying people who might find common ground across disciplines in a 5x5? Propose a question or approach, potential participants, format, or theme for a 5x5.

**Section 3**

Please answer the following:

1. What do you want to give to and get out of this process?
2. What would you like us to know that we haven't asked?
3. We recognize that scheduling is the most difficult part of organizing these groups. Would you be interested in joining a 5x5 group that is arranged primarily or solely based on your time availability?