

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

“Write to Change the World” with the Taft Research Center May & June 2025, virtual

The Taft Research Center will sponsor a cohort of 20 faculty, students, and staff from Taft units and/or Taft-sponsored Research Groups to participate in [The OpEd Project’s “Write to Change the World”](#) virtual workshop series. This opportunity provides participants with a guide to create, develop, and publish (if they choose) op-eds, along with one month of follow-up support, including access to weekly “Ask A Journalist” sessions, office hours with our Editor-In-Residence, and to journalist mentors for individual feedback. In addition to creating an op-ed and providing feedback, this program is designed to elevate the voices and leadership of advocates, thought leaders, and change-makers who are committed to making a difference. Participants will engage in an internationally recognized workshop that empowers them to bring new ideas into the public sphere through opinion writing.

Workshops are 2 half-day intensive sprints, offered on various days and times from May through June, allowing each participant to choose the day and time that work best for their schedule.

Expectations

- Fully attend a 2-part virtual workshop in either May or June from the available dates offered;
- Commit to writing and pitching at least one opinion (op-ed) piece within a month of completing the workshop and share it with the Taft Research Center (publication is not required);
- Complete a post-workshop feedback survey and any follow-up surveys to share personal and public impact outcomes.

Available Workshop Dates

May 6 & 7, 3–6:30pm ET	June 4 & 5, 2–5:30pm ET
May 15 & 16, 10am–1:30pm	June 11 & 12, 10am–1:30pm ET
May 21 & 22, 12–3:30pm ET	June 26 & 27, 10am–1:30pm ET

Eligibility & Application

This opportunity is open to any faculty, students, and staff from Taft-eligible units and/or Taft-sponsored Research Groups. Apply online with description of your professional path and/or ideas or projects that currently inspire you and your idea or topic that you plan to write about and why it matters by **April 14, 5pm ET** here: <https://taft.center/4hvzvgO>