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Queerly Centered:
LGBTQA Writing Center Directors Navigate the Workplace

I write to request a 2021 Book and Performance Completion Award for the final production stages of my under-contract, single-authored scholarly monograph, *Queerly Centered: LGBTQA Writing Center Directors Navigate the Workplace*. *Queerly Centered* is the first book-length project in Writing Center Studies to bridge LGBTQA labor issues and interview-based, empirical research, and will, I hope, bring national attention to Pace University's writing initiatives, including its Writing-Enhanced Course Programs, Writing Centers, and Writing Programs, per its innovative, LGBTQA research framework.

The book is scheduled for September 2021 release through my field's top university press for Writing Center research – Utah State University Press (USUP). I seek support to cover costs for indexing and proofreading the final manuscript and for funds to cover some of USUP's publication costs reflective of a funding gap, typical of humanities and social sciences presses. Such funding would support my process in partially fulfilling the university's research requirements for tenure and promotion to Associate Professor; it would also support my press' process of publishing my book (though, as detailed in this application and its appendices, my book's publication is not contingent on covering the press' production costs).

This application includes Parts A-E, my book contract, and two correspondences with the USUP Director about proofing, indexing, and publication costs.