*The purpose of the* ***Way Klingler Early Career Award*** *is to support promising new scholars in critical stages of their careers. Up to four awards will be given for 2026-27 to full-time tenure-track assistant professors in the three years following their third-year review. The awards are intended to fund $2,000 in operating cost and to cover a portion of salary to afford the recipient a one-semester release from teaching. The award is competitive, and awardees will be selected by the Committee on Research. The application will be reviewed by faculty colleagues from across campus who may not be familiar with research/scholarship in any one area. A clear description of the project conveyed to a non-expert audience is critical to communicating your ideas.*

*Deans submit completed applications including confidential support letters from the department chair and dean by* ***Tuesday, January 13, 2026*** *(Check with your dean’s office to confirm the college application deadline). Individuals selected will be notified after February 11, 2026, and will select a Fall 2026 or Spring 2027 research semester by agreement with the dean. A final report is due to the Office of Research and Innovation (send to* [*melody.baker@marquette.edu*](mailto:melody.baker@marquette.edu) *) one month after completion of the research semester. This will also be shared with the Office of the Provost.*

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YEAR OF ORIGINAL FULL-TIME APPOINTMENT:       YEAR OF THIRD YEAR REVIEW:

*Submit the following required documents in this order to your college dean as one document.*

* COVER PAGE (this page)
* PROGRAM OF RESEARCH AND RESEARCH GOALS **(limit to two pages)**
* PUBLICATIONS, starting with most recent
* GRANTS PAST, CURRENT AND PENDING, including amount and dates of the award and role (PI, co-PI, etc.) on the grant
* PLAN FOR THE RESEARCH SEMESTER\* **(limit to one page)**
* COPY OF THIRD YEAR REVIEW REPORT

*The Dean is to submit the application with the following:*

* CONFIDENTIAL SUPPORT LETTERS FROM DEPARTMENT CHAIR AND DEAN

*Please prepare using 12-point font with 1” margins.*

*\*Where relevant, funds will be held until approval from the University Institutional Review Board is submitted.*

The college dean is to submit the completed application (this cover page and all required pages/documents and confidential letters) to Mel Baker at: [melody.baker@marquette.edu](mailto:melody.baker@marquette.edu)