2017 Recipients of the Provost's Diversity Grant

- Daisy Breneman, Justice Studies, in collaboration with Kerry Dobransky, Susan Ghiaciuc, Joshua Pate and Valerie Schoolcraft, for “Creating DST 100, Introduction to Disability Studies,” an online course for a new minor in Disability Studies.

- Laura Desportes, Educational Foundations and Exceptionalities, collaborating with Shenandoah County, Rockingham County, Augusta County and Harrisonburg City Public Schools, for “Feasibility Study for a Post-Secondary Program for Young Adults with Intellectual Disabilities and Autism at JMU.”

- Mollie Godfrey and Brian Flota, English, collaborating with JMU libraries Special Collections, for “African American Comics and Graphic Novels,” a new course and library collection enhancement.

- Kara Kavanagh and Holly McCartney, Early Elementary and Reading Education, for “JMU Students Engaging Refugee Families in Our Community with C.A.R.E (Creativity and Reading Education).”

- Allison Fagan, English, for “Refugees in American Literature: A New Service Learning Course.”

- Mary K. Gayne, History, in partnership with General Education students, for “Contributing to a Values-driven Digital Humanities: The World is Harrisonburg,” an on-going project using publically available sources, and building on the research of the previous student cohort.

- Julio Agustin Matos, School of Theater and Dance, for “Inclusion of Diversity and Multicultural Dance Styles in Today’s Musical Theater,” research and enhancement of THEA 490, Intermediate Jazz II/Musical Theater Styles.