

GSEC Instructional Innovation Fund 2020-21

- (1) The purpose of the Instructional Innovation Fund is to support faculty efforts, individually and collectively, to experiment with new teaching approaches, grow as instructors, and improve learning outcomes for students. The fund is open to all tenure-track and term appointed faculty.
- (2) The fund can be used to support the following kinds of expenses. (Please note that the fund may not be used for travel, unless it is related to a specific instructional purpose.)
 - ❖ Instructional materials: e.g. books, dvd's, classroom supplies.
 - ❖ Instructional technology: software and hardware accessories (Note: these requests will be reviewed in consultation with our IT colleagues in order to ensure that they can be supported or that the applicant understands from the start that they will not be).
 - ❖ Expenses associated with field trips made with students.
 - ❖ Observation/consultation time with a faculty colleague. This option allows one faculty member to provide a stipend to a colleague for observing the faculty member teaching, collecting data as requested (this could include video), and meeting with the faculty member to consult on the relevant instructional matters. The stipend is \$100 per class/consultation session and may include up to five class observations and consultations.
 - ❖ Workshop/experience directly related to an element of your instruction.
 - ❖ If you have an idea that does not fit into one of the preceding categories, please feel free to discuss it with the dean.
- (3) This year's Instructional Innovation Fund is set at \$10,000. The maximum individual award is \$500. Faculty may apply to the fund individually or in collaboration with others. The maximum for group submissions is \$500/participating faculty. Please note that awards may not be made for the full amount requested.
- (4) Applications should contain the following:
 - ❖ Name(s) of faculty
 - ❖ Description of your project or request
 - ❖ Description of how this will impact student learning in your courses
 - ❖ Budget (with line item detail)
- (5) Priorities for funding include the following criteria:
 - ❖ Thorough and detailed description of request/project
 - ❖ Demonstrable impact on student learning
 - ❖ Sustainability of innovation (without continued operational support from this fund)

The deadline for applications is November 1, 2020. If funds remain available after the first round of applications, additional requests will be considered as submitted. All funds must be expended prior to the end of the current fiscal year – May 31, 2021.

Applications should be sent as an email attachment to graddean@lclark.edu.