Call for Proposals

Instructional Improvement Program Grants 2021-2022

Deadline: Thursday, March 31, 2022

Focus of IIP Grants

For the 2021-2022 academic year, the focus of the Instructional Improvement Grants Program will be on course level projects that significantly enhance student learning. Ladder Faculty and Lecturers with (Potential) Security of Employment (L(P)SOE) are strongly encouraged to apply for an Instructional Improvement Program Grant for major course development, restructuring of gateway or keystone undergraduate courses, or development of new courses essential to fulfilling departmental curriculum plans. To that end the intent is to fund several projects in the $2,000 - $10,000 range. Given the project goals, faculty stipends of up to $1,000 each may be included in the project proposal.

In the allocation of grant funding, preference will be given to project proposals that address current pedagogical challenges, including work in one or more of three target areas:

- Engaging students in large lecture courses. Proposals to revitalize learning experiences in large lower division classes, and sequences of classes, using innovative instructional approaches or technology are sought.
- Creating inclusive classes. UCSB’s undergraduate population is becoming increasingly diverse. In addition to being designated a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) and a Asian American, Native American, Pacific-Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI), UCSB’s student community also includes increasing numbers of international students, first generation students, and students who have a wide variety of physical and mental health challenges. Proposals could address initiatives to develop inclusive learning pedagogies, for example by employing principles of universal design.
- Creating opportunities for research in undergraduate courses. Proposals that seek to accomplish this through developing new content, assignments, labs, or projects to give our students a strong foundation in research and an enhanced learning experience are encouraged.
Guidelines

Submitting a pre-proposal in rough draft form and/or having a pre-proposal meeting with an Instructional Development Consultant can be very helpful in increasing the likelihood of your final proposal being funded. Detailed information on funding requirements and limitations and a proposal template are available online at: http://grants.id.ucsb.edu/instructional-improvement-grant.

The submission deadline is 5 pm on Thursday, March 31, 2022. Submit proposals, and accompanying documents and letters, via email to: proposal@id.ucsb.edu.

If you electronically submit a proposal and do not receive confirmation within 48 hours, please contact proposal@id.ucsb.edu.

For Further Information

For detailed information regarding the grant program, specific application procedures, pre-proposal review, or for budget questions, please contact the Office of Instructional Consultation, in Instructional Development, at 893-2972 or via email to:

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Note: Consistent with current practice of many funding agencies, proposals that are funded, along with supporting materials, become public documents.