THE DANIEL F. BREEDEN ENDOWED GRANT PROGRAM
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR PROJECTS OR TRAVEL TO BE CONDUCTED DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2016

The purpose of the Daniel F. Breeden Endowed Grant Program is to encourage enhancement of teaching and learning through financial support of selected projects. Projects or travel should directly benefit the instructor, students, and the University’s overall teaching program. Approximately $30,000 is available each academic year for awards. Travel awards qualify for up to $2,000 and other instructional projects may apply for up to $4,000.

Applications are due by November 6th. Notifications to awardees are made in December and funds are available in January. Final reports are due by March 31st following the award year. Customarily, awards are to be expended during one calendar year. An extension for a second year is possible under extenuating circumstances. The Breeden Endowed Grant Program is managed by the Biggio Center for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning, and the grant review and selection panel is drawn from the University Senate Teaching Effectiveness Committee.

POLICIES

Eligibility:
Tenured/tenure-track faculty from any discipline, or faculty from the Lecturer or Clinician title series with appointments continuing through academic year 2015-2016, may apply for a Breeden Endowed Grant. Contingent faculty (part-time, adjunct etc.) may apply as part of a collaborative effort with a faculty member from the group listed above (tenured/tenure-track, full time lecturer, full time clinician). Preference will be given to early career, pre-tenured faculty. Faculty who have been awarded a Breeden Endowed Grant within the last two years are eligible to apply, however their applications will receive lower priority than those from faculty who have not. Proposals for collaborative projects involving multiple faculty and departments are encouraged.

Use of Funds:
- Consulting and travel expenses to bring recognized experts in teaching and learning to Auburn University to conduct workshops are fundable.
- Travel expenses to participate in off-campus conferences (workshops or other programs), which promote excellent teaching and enhanced learning, are fundable.
- Instructional equipment, software, multimedia products, and other instructional supplies are fundable; however, the applicant is advised to clearly indicate how the items will affect teaching and learning.
- Supporting undergraduate/graduate student labor related to faculty scholarship on teaching and learning is encouraged; however, support for a graduate student’s thesis or dissertation is NOT fundable.
- Faculty salaries (including summer term and release time) are NOT fundable.
- Funds CANNOT be used for activities that partially fulfill the requirements for a higher degree or for work not carried out during the applicant’s teaching appointment at Auburn University.

Disclosure of Other Sources of Funds:
If the amount of funding to fully complete the project exceeds the Program limit of $2,000 (travel) or $4,000 (instructional enhancement) the project leader or traveler must disclose matching or supplemental funding sources. All applications for funds from other sources for the proposed project or travel must also be disclosed. (See the budget section below.)

Final Report:
Awardees must submit to the Biggio Center for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning a final report of the project by completing Form DFB 600 (available from the Biggio Center). The due date for FINAL REPORTS for projects is March 31st of the year the project is completed.

Dissemination: Awardees are strongly encouraged to share their work with colleagues at relevant events on campus, including Biggio Center events.

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APPLICATION PROCEDURE
Submit a single PDF document including all the following. Each proposal must meet the following guidelines or will not be considered for funding.

- Application Form/Cover Page (provided with this RFP). Sign, scan and attach to PDF.
- An abstract of 100 words or less of the proposed project.
- A narrative description of the proposed project (no longer than five (5) pages). Preferred outlines for the narrative descriptions – project or travel – are provided with this RFP (see below).
- A brief (limited to two (2) pages) curriculum vita listing relevant publications, teaching, and curricular development experience for the applicant and co-applicants.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Submit all documents via the Biggio Center website no later than 4:45 p.m., Nov. 6th.

PREFERRED OUTLINE FOR NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION – PROJECTS

Instructional Merit
State the objectives of the proposed project in terms of its potential contributions to teaching and learning at Auburn University. Explain how the project will benefit you, your students (learning outcomes), and the University’s overall teaching program. Indicate the number of students, and the specific course(s) that will be involved. Describe the relationship between the project objectives and the objectives of the course(s), and/or between the project and teaching and learning at Auburn University.

Procedures and Timeline
Describe the procedures you will use to achieve the project objectives and provide a time-line for completing the project. The project should be conducted between January 30th, 2016 and March 31st, 2017.

Assessment and Dissemination of Effectiveness
Discuss how you will evaluate the effectiveness of the project at achieving its objectives, and list the ways you will disseminate the results or outcomes of your project.

Budget
Provide a detailed budget for the project with justifications for all expenditures. List expenditures by major category: salary and employee benefits (consult the Office of Contracts and Grants for rates), wages (number of hours and hourly rate), and expendable supplies and equipment (list items and/or categories and estimated costs). List any other sources of funds currently available and any other applications made for funds for the project.

PREFERRED OUTLINE FOR NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION - TRAVEL

Instructional Merit
State the objectives of the proposed travel in terms of its potential contributions to teaching and learning at Auburn University. Explain how the travel will benefit you, your students (learning outcomes), and the University’s overall teaching program. Indicate the number of students, and the specific course(s) that will be involved. Describe the relationship between the travel and the objectives of the course(s), and/or between the travel and teaching and learning at Auburn University.

Timeline
Provide travel dates. Travel should be made between January 30th, 2016 and March 31st, 2017.

Assessment and Dissemination of Effectiveness
Discuss how you will evaluate the effectiveness of the travel at achieving the stated objectives, and list ways you will disseminate the benefits of your travel.

Budget
Provide a detailed budget for the travel. Justify all expenditures. List expenditures by major category: transportation, lodging, meals, registrations, incidentals, other. List any other sources of funds currently available for the travel and any other applications made for funds for the travel.

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APPLICATION FORM/COVER PAGE

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOV. 6th, 2015
NOTIFICATIONS TO AWARDEES: Dec 4, 2015
FUNDS AVAILABLE: JAN. 30th, 2016
FINAL REPORTS DUE: MARCH 31st, 2017

Project Leader or Traveler

Faculty Rank __________________________ Number Years Completed on Auburn Faculty __________________________

Department __________________________ College/School __________________________

Office Address __________________________ Office Phone __________________________

E-Mail Address __________________________

☐ Travel grant or ☐ Instructional Enhancement

Co-Project Leaders or Travelers (Name, Rank, Department)

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Total Amount Requested ____________ Intended Project Start/End Dates or Travel Dates __________________________

Dates of Your Previous Breeden Endowed Grants __________________________________________________________________

Department Head (or Supervisor) Approval:

Printed Name __________________________ Signature __________________________

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