

## **2018-19 Faculty Awards for Curriculum Enhancement & Community Engagement Announcement**

### **Support Overview**

The Center for Leadership and Social Responsibility is offering financial support to promote innovation in academic courses that help develop socially responsible leaders who build sustainable organizations and communities. The funds are intended to support the faculty effort to:

- Support curriculum enhancement and/or course developments that advance student knowledge and or practice of
  - Responsible leadership
  - Social responsibility
  - Citizenship
  - Ethics
  - Sustainability
  - Community development
- Support the development of courses and curriculum that engages UWT students with the community in ways that benefit both.

Funds will be awarded late summer for courses that will be taught or projects implemented during the upcoming (2018-19) academic year.

### **Purpose**

UW Tacoma is an urban-serving university that uses its intellectual and economic power to improve the surrounding region. Many faculty use the community as a learning laboratory for students who engage in research, volunteering, service projects, and internships. These activities create benefits for students and community members alike. However, engaging students with the community requires significant investment by faculty in designing learning experiences that fit an academic quarter, identifying and working with community partners, and identifying strategies for evaluating student learning and community impact.

These awards are intended to provide faculty with resources to develop innovative classroom projects and/or connections between students and the community through regular academic coursework. Each funding amount supports the development of learning modules, assignments, projects and activities that link students to the community or advance the mission of the Center for Leadership and Social Responsibility in the context of an undergraduate or graduate course. The funds do not provide support for existing activities linked to a course.

### **Awards**

Applicants may request amounts between \$1000 - \$2000. The funds will be disbursed in the form of a faculty stipend. Faculty may make one funding request per annual cycle.

### **Eligibility**

Any faculty member eligible for membership in UWT Faculty Assembly during the academic year in which the funding will be awarded may apply for funding. Awards must be used to enhance existing courses. The community engagement activities supported by the award must be implemented during the upcoming academic year.

### **Application Requirements**

Applications should (1) describe the proposed changes to the course, (2) discuss how they link to the mission of the Center, which is “to develop socially responsible leaders who build sustainable organizations and communities,” and (3) describe the expected impact on students (and the community if applicable). Applications for funding will be accepted through the deadline and can be found on the Center’s website: <http://www.tacoma.uw.edu/node/36646>.

### **Application Deadline**

Applications must be submitted electronically to [clsr@uw.edu](mailto:clsr@uw.edu) by the deadline listed on the application.

### **Evaluation Criteria**

Applications will be assessed according to the following criteria:

- Innovativeness and quality of the proposal
- Fit with Center’s mission
- Potential **impact** on curriculum, UWT students and the community

Applications will be evaluated by the Center for Leadership & Social Responsibility staff, who will consider the overall portfolio of funding requests in their decisions.

### **Responsibilities of Award Recipients**

Funding recipients are responsible for implementing the proposed activities in their awarded course during the upcoming academic year. A one-page description of how the funding was used and how it impacted students and the community is required by the end of the month in which the quarter ends when the course is taught (Dec/Mar/Jun). We do this so the Center may evaluate and communicate the value of the program and provide Center’s fund donors with a summary report.

### **Contact Information**

If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact the Center at 253-692-5685 or [clsr@uw.edu](mailto:clsr@uw.edu).