Developing Report

News & Notes on External Funding Opportunities

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GRANT REPORT

Learning Anytime Anywhere Partnerships (Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education through the U.S. Department of Education): Summary -

The Learning Anytime Anywhere Partnerships (LAAP) program is a grant competition that supports partnerships among colleges and universities, employers, technology companies, and other relevant organizations to create postsecondary programs that deliver distance education "anytime and anywhere." These programs should be implemented on a national or regional scale and should be innovative within the context of national trends in distance education. Eligibility - Eligible partnerships must consist of two or more independent agencies, organizations, or institutions. The partners may include institutions of higher education, community organizations, and other public and private institutions, agencies, and organizations. A non-profit organization should be designated to serve as the lead applicant and fiscal agent for the partnership. Partnerships among community colleges, vocational or technical colleges, liberal arts colleges, universities, consortia, state systems, accreditors, associations, community organizations, publishers, hardware or software companies, employers, state or local agencies, and many other types of organizations are encouraged to apply. The partnerships may be existing or newly formed. Other organizations may be eligible; the list here is not exhaustive. Availability - $4.3 million dollars in grants will be awarded in Fiscal Year 2000.

- Additional information on this program, as well as the application and guidelines, are located in the Office of Development or at www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/FIPSE/LAAP/FY2000/.
- The deadline for submitting preliminary applications to this program is March 3, 2000.

Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers To Use Technology (U.S. Department of Education): Summary - This program seeks to prepare technology-proficient educators
to meet the needs of 21st century learners. Programs funded through this grant should be systemic; should insure that future teachers know how to use the power of new technologies to improve learning; and should insure that future teachers know how to meet the digital learning needs of low-income communities, rural areas, minorities and special populations. Two types of grants are available through this program:

**Implementation Grants** - Approximately 80 Implementation Grants, ranging from $200,000 to $500,000 a year and averaging $400,000 a year for three years, will support consortia that are ready to implement significant program innovations that will transform teacher preparation programs into 21st century learning environments. **Catalyst Grants** - Approximately 15 Catalyst Grants ranging from $500,000 to $700,000 a year and averaging $600,000 a year for three years will be awarded to support organizations that can assist those who are building improved teacher preparation programs. **Eligibility** - Eligible applicants must be consortia that include two or more of the following: institutions of higher education; state educational agencies; local educational agencies; private elementary or secondary schools; professional associations; foundations, museums or libraries; private sector businesses; and public or private nonprofit organizations.

- Additional information on this program, as well as the application and guidelines, are located in the Office of Development or at www.ed.gov/teachtech/.
- The deadline for submitting applications to this program is March 7, 2000.

**FACULTY AND STAFF KUDOS**

A number of College faculty and staff members have been awarded grants and contracts during the course of the past few months. The following is a profile of some of the awards that have been received and the project directors.

- **JOHN NEWSHAM** - Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Grant to St. Louis Community College to participate in the Video Instructional Development and Educational Opportunity (VIDEO) Program. Funds will be used to acquire equipment for use within electronic classrooms.
- **FRANK ABSHER** - KMOX Radio. Grant to St. Louis Community College for the Forest Park Communications/ Mass Communications Department to participate in a research project on the history of radio broadcasting in St. Louis.

**DEVELOPMENT NOTES**

The St. Louis Community College Scholarship Opportunities Brochure is now posted on the Development Office web site at www.stlcc.cc.mo.us/odweb/scholarship.htm.