Focus on Funding is a newsletter published by the St. Louis Community College Office of Institutional Development (OID). It features external funding opportunities available from federal, state, local and private funding sources, as well as other news. For more information about the OID and services provided by staff, please contact Castella Henderson, Director, at 314/539-5354, or visit the OID web page at: http://www.stlcc.edu/odweb/.

Grant Opportunities

HP Announces 2005 Technology for Teaching Grant Program

HP (Hewlett-Packard Company) has announced its 2005 HP Technology for Teaching Grant Initiative, which will award grants totaling $5 million in cash and HP equipment over two years to K-12 public schools and two- and four-year colleges and universities in the United States and Puerto Rico.

The initiative is designed to support K-16 educators who are using mobile technology in innovative ways, and to help identify K-12 schools and higher education institutions that HP might support with future grants. Based on the outcomes of the projects funded through the initiative in 2005, HP will offer grant recipients the opportunity to receive higher-value grants in 2006.

Deadline: February 15, 2005

For more information on how to apply, contact the SLCC Office of Institutional Development 539-5354.

Improving Teacher Quality Grants (Missouri Department of Higher Education)

This program invites K-12/higher education partnerships dedicated to professional development for K-12 teachers in core academic subjects and is funded through the U.S. Department of Education (USDE). Cycle 3 proposals target grades four to eight (4-8) and math and/or science content.

Approximately $1.2 million dollars will be distributed to eligible partnerships that show the most promise to positively affect:

- Teachers’ content knowledge,
- Teacher participants’ instructional practices in inquiry-based instruction,
- Teachers’ use of student-learning assessment methods to improve instruction,
- Student achievement in targeted math and/or science content areas, and
- the preparation of pre-service teachers at partner institutions of higher education.

To be eligible for these funds, partnerships must include:

- A division of higher education that prepares teachers and school principals,
- A higher education school or department of arts and sciences, and
- At least one high-need school district.

Successful proposals will demonstrate that genuine collaboration is the foundation for both the development and proposed implementation of the project. Single- and multiple-year (up to three years) proposals are encouraged.

Deadline: January 7, 2005
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News and Notes from the SLCC Office of Institutional Development

Faculty and Staff Kudos

A number of faculty and staff members have been awarded grants and contracts over the past few months. Project Directors, sources, grant amounts, and descriptions for recent awards include:

David Hanlon, Greater St. Louis Art Association, $500. A grant to assist the Meramec Art Department in producing an exhibit of photographs of New York and Ground Zero by acclaimed photographer Joel Meyerowitz at the Meramec campus gallery.

Michael Holmes and Jim Monahan, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, $149,885. Year one of a five-year grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to provide higher education for Head Start teachers, including specialized Spanish language and Hispanic cultural awareness classes designed to prepare teachers to more effectively care for Hispanic/Latino children enrolled in Head Start services.

Barbara Holt, University of Missouri-Columbia, $12,500. A grant to participate in the Missouri Alliance for Minority Participation (MO-AMP) grant received by the University of Missouri–Columbia from the National Science Foundation. The purpose of this award is to provide assistance to St. Louis area minority students wishing to transfer from St. Louis Community College to one of the participating four year MO-AMP institutions.

Congratulations!

Monthly Office

Hours on the

Campuses

No Appointment Necessary!

SLCC faculty and staff are welcome to drop by to consult with staff from the Office of Institutional Development at the following times/locations:

Meramec: 1st Wednesday
Next Date: November 3
2:30 – 4:00
BA 123J

Forest Park: 2nd Thursday
Next Date: November 11
2:30 – 4:00
President’s Conference Room

Florissant Valley: 3rd Tuesday
Next Date: November 16
2:30 – 4:00
Training Center Room 111

Bring your ideas for externally-funded projects and/or questions about the process for submitting grants at SLCC.

We look forward to talking with you.