

Call for Applications: Open August 25, 2011

Lehigh ADVANCE Grants for Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Leadership

OVERVIEW

Lehigh ADVANCE is accepting applications for a new small grant mechanism to help faculty move from discussion of interdisciplinary collaboration and leadership in meetings and seminars to action that has an impact on their careers. The funds can be used towards travel by Lehigh faculty and visiting scholars to promote interdisciplinary collaboration or for assistance to Lehigh faculty towards tuition and travel to attend a professional leadership program.

Goals of Grant:

- a. To promote and support interdisciplinary research and teaching among STEM faculty.
- b. To promote and support leadership development among Lehigh women STEM faculty.

ELIGIBILITY

For Lehigh STEM assistant and associate professors (women and men):

- a. Travel expenses to meet with a colleague or colleagues outside Lehigh to explore interdisciplinary collaboration. The potential collaborative team will include at least one female STEM faculty member.
- b. Travel expenses and speaker's honorarium for a visiting scholar to promote interdisciplinary collaboration. The potential collaborative team will include at least one female STEM faculty member.

For Lehigh women STEM pre-tenure and tenured faculty members:

- c. Travel expenses to attend a conference that promotes interdisciplinary collaboration.
- d. Tuition and travel expenses to attend a leadership seminar offered by an organization such as HERS or professional association.

REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Applicant's brief CV
- B. Statement of purpose that addresses how the activity will facilitate the faculty member's career as an interdisciplinary scholar and/or academic leader
- C. Description of activity including brief CV's of proposed collaborators and speakers or conference documentation
- D. Applications may include requests up to \$750 for approved expenses and will include a detailed estimated budget indicating any additional funds to be requested from other Lehigh sources.
- E. Only one award will be granted of either category per faculty member per year.
- F. Interdisciplinary Collaboration Travel Grants: Recipients will make a presentation that includes the benefits received from the grant at an LU-WISE luncheon, as part of regular interdisciplinary discussion.
- G. Leadership Development Grants: Recipients will share a brief report on their experiences with other leadership seminar participants.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS:

Application form and supplemental instructions are available at www.lehigh.edu/luadvance and will be accepted starting August 25, 2011.

A committee including members of the Lehigh ADVANCE Leadership Team will review applications on a rolling basis in AY 2011-2012.

QUESTIONS should be directed to advance@lehigh.edu.