

Interdisciplinarity in Learning Grant Program

College of Fine Arts (CFA)

Purpose: To provide financial support for faculty to develop interdisciplinary connections between different units with the College or University via one or more of the following:

- Designing a new course or overhauling an existing course to emphasize interdisciplinarity
- Offering new opportunities for interdisciplinarity beyond the classroom
- Instituting new co-curricular programs that address interdisciplinarity
- Developing new initiatives (such as web-based resources) to enhance interdisciplinary teaching across departments

Eligibility: Full-time CFA faculty

Award: Up to \$2500, to be used for project-related expenses only (not as salary). Possible uses of these funds include, but are not limited to, the purchase of books and other instructional materials (including computer hardware and software), hiring a student assistant, inviting a consultant to campus, and/or travel to professional meetings or workshops.

Applications must include:

- College of Fine Arts Grants Cover Sheet
- Project proposal (no more than 3 pages double-spaced) that explains
 - the project and its impact on students' interdisciplinary investigation and/or expression
 - how the project will improve students' ability to undertake interdisciplinary inquiry
 - what students may create or complete that exemplifies interdisciplinarity
 - how the award funds will contribute to the cultivation of interdisciplinary inquiry and expression
- Itemized budget
- Updated CV in TCU format
- If applicable, expressions of commitment from all contributors to the project (these can be in the form of emails)

Application Procedure: Applications must be compiled as a single pdf and emailed to the Dean's Office (t.rohrer@tcu.edu). Proposals are due at the following times:

- Last Monday in August, for projects taking place during the current fiscal year
- Second Monday in November, for projects taking place during the current fiscal year
- First Monday in April, for projects beginning during the next fiscal year

Requirements:

- A final project report must be sent to the Dean's Office and the appropriate department/school chair/director within 30 days of the conclusion of the project. The report should describe how the grant was used and the impact of the grant.
- All expenses and reimbursement forms for awards must be submitted within 30 days of the conclusion of the project and no later than the third Monday in May so that they may be processed before the close of the fiscal year at the end of May.
- Any changes to the approved budget or scope of the project must be reviewed by the Associate Dean for Research and Faculty development and approved.
- Applicants may only apply to one CFA grant category in any given academic year (with the exception of the Programming Grants Supporting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion)