

Center for Teaching Innovation - Innovation Awards Rubric

Main Assessment Rubric

Category	Criteria	Exceeds (4)	Meets (3)	Partially Meets (2)	Minimally Meets (1)	Does Not Meet (0)
Innovation*	Project is focused on an innovative approach to improve or deepen student learning (not just an equipment purchase).	The project focuses on teaching that is innovative for the instructor, department, college, or institution.	The primary focus of the project is an innovative teaching method for the instructor.	The project focuses on teaching and learning but the methods used are not innovative (would continue the current status quo in the course).	The project is only minimally related to teaching and learning.	The project does not focus on teaching and learning.
Feasibility & Risk	Project is feasible and could be completed within a 12-month period after receiving the funding. Associated risks are worth the cost.	Project could be completed within a 12-month timeframe after receiving funding. Risks are minimal.	The proposed idea is feasible and could be completed within a 12-month time frame after receiving the funds. Any risks are outweighed by the benefits of the project's outcome.	The proposed idea is feasible but may extend beyond a 12-month time frame after receiving the funds. Any risks are outweighed by the benefits of the project's outcome.	The proposed idea is feasible but may extend beyond a 12-month time frame after receiving the funds. Associated risks may not outweigh the benefits of the project's outcome.	Project could not be completed within the 12-month time frame. Associated risks outweigh the project benefits.
Budget	Project budget and justification is included in the final application.	The project budget and justification was thoughtfully and completely filled out, including approximate hours and associated costs of work.	The project budget and justification is mostly filled out and includes some approximate hours of work and associated costs.	The project budget and justification was partially filled out, but may be missing some associated costs and hours of work.	The project budget and justification was minimally filled out and is missing associated costs and work time estimates.	The project justification and budget was not included in the full application.
Impact*	Project idea either: 1. Achieves a broad impact on student learning. 2. Achieves a deep impact on student learning.	The proposed idea will have a broad and deep impact on student learning.	The proposed idea will have either a broad impact on student learning, or a deep impact on student learning.	The proposed idea is unlikely to achieve a broad or a deep impact on student learning.	The proposed project will achieve a minimal impact on the learning of a limited number of students.	The proposed project is unlikely to achieve any impact on student learning.
Scale*	Proposed idea can be scaled out to additional students beyond the initial project target audience.	The project idea can be scaled to others beyond the discipline, department, college, or institution.	The project idea can be scaled out beyond the initial student audience to others in the college.	The project idea can be scaled out beyond the initial student audience to others in the department.	The project idea will meet the instructor's needs but will be difficult or unlikely to scale to others.	The project idea can not be scaled and would impact only the initial audience.

*These criteria will be used to assess pre-applications.

Supplemental Assessment Categories

Category	Criteria	Exceeds (4)	Meets (3)	Partially Meets (2)	Minimally Meets (1)	Does Not Meet (0)
Assessment & Evaluation	Project proposes an appropriate method of assessment and evaluation to measure project outcomes.	The project proposal includes an assessment and evaluation plan with outcome measures directly related to the proposed impact.	The project proposal includes an assessment and evaluation plan without clarifying the connection between outcome measures and proposed impacts.	The project proposal includes information on assessment and evaluation activities without a clear plan.	The project proposal briefly mentions assessment and evaluation but does not go into details.	The project proposal does not give any consideration for assessing and evaluating the project.
Citations	Project application indicates that other research has been done on this topic already.	The project proposal is built on evidence-based research, and citations have been included in the application.	The project proposal includes citations and discusses research that has been done by others.	The project includes some citations, a cursory examination of similar projects has been performed by the instructor.	The instructor has done a cursory review of similar projects.	The proposal does not include any research citations and the instructor has not done research into whether a similar project has been done elsewhere.

The items below are not scored but will be taken into consideration when reviewing applications.

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Sharing	Project application includes a method of sharing the results with others.	The proposal also includes a method of sharing the results widely so that others may learn from it.	The proposal includes a method of sharing the results across the college or discipline so that others may learn from it.	The proposal includes a method of sharing the results in one department.	The proposal includes a method of sharing the results primarily with those they work with daily.	It does not include any method of sharing the findings with others.
Involvement and Collaboration	Project proposes a collaboration with another grant or involvement with another project.		The proposed project is in collaboration with another grant with funding that has already secured and is not contingent on this award funding.		The proposed project is in collaboration with another grant or project; funding from the other project is contingent on receiving CTI Innovation Award.	The proposed project is in collaboration with another grant, in which funding has not been secured, and funds may take too long to be received.