CALL FOR TEACHING PROPOSALS

The Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) invites proposals from the faculty for projects that enhance teaching and learning at Hobart and William Smith Colleges. This grant opportunity is available for the Spring 2009 semester to support faculty teaching initiatives.

Projects:
The CTL seeks proposals designed to creatively transform classroom or laboratory practice and expand opportunities for rigorous engagement with course content. Projects may include experiential learning, oral communications, collaborative learning, technology, cross-cultural or multicultural methodology, community based learning, curriculum development, critical thinking skills, or disciplinary writing. This is by no means an inclusive list; the Committee welcomes any imaginative proposals aimed toward improving teaching and learning at HWS.

Proposal:
A two-page description of the project including: project goals, participants, assessment methods, budget, timeline, and any other relevant information. The proposal should include an abstract describing the project for use in communication materials. Proposals should address the following questions:

- What are the goals and objectives for this project?
- What is the intellectual merit of this project?
- How many faculty, staff, and students will the project involve and ultimately affect?
- How will you assess the impact on your teaching and/or student learning?
- What are the broader impacts of this project?

Proposal Selection:
Proposals will be reviewed and selected by members of the CTL Advisory Committee.

Funding:
For the Spring 2009 semester, the CTL has funding for 5 grants of up to $1500.00 each. Funds can be used for travel, consultants, materials, or other costs.

CTL Expectations:
Selected grantees will be expected to meet with other grantees at the CTL monthly during the semester to discuss their work. In addition, the CTL will have a forum for presenting work to the HWS community.

Deadline:
Proposals are due Friday, October 10, 2008, by 5 PM. Electronic submission sent to pliner@hws.edu—in the form of an attached Word file—preferred. Awards will be announced by the end of October.

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