

Academic Program Assessment Committee Assessment Travel Grant Program 2009 - 2010

The Academic Program Assessment Committee is inviting faculty to apply for funding to attend assessment conferences and workshops or to travel to other institutions to study good assessment practices and gain information they can then use to enhance their own teaching, their department/program, or the College.

I. Assessment Conference/Workshop Option

The purpose of this option is to send individuals to assessment conferences or workshops that focus on the assessment of student learning in higher education. Conferences being held during 2009-10 include:

- AACU General Education and Assessment, February 18-20, 2010, Seattle, Washington (<http://www.aacu.org/meetings/generaleducation/index.cfm>)
- IUPUI 2009 Assessment Institute, October 26 – 27, 2009, Indianapolis, Indiana (<http://planning.iupui.edu/conferences/national/nationalconf.html>)
- Middle States Commission of Higher Education Conference on **Accreditation: Promoting Excellence**, December 9-11, 2009 Philadelphia, PA (<http://www.msache.org/?Nav1=EVENTS&Nav2=2009.01.01>)
- 10th Annual Texas A&M University Assessment Conference, February 21-23, 2010, College Station, Texas (<http://assessment.tamu.edu/conference>)

Many other conferences or workshops that focus on the assessment of student learning in higher education are appropriate venues under the guidelines of this grant program.

II. Travel to Other Institutions

The purpose of this option is to fund travel to other institutions for the purpose of learning firsthand about their assessment practices. For this option, APAC will consider applications that focus on college-wide programs (e.g., general education) or discipline-specific programs.

For both options, travel must be completed by **June 30, 2010**. Funding can be used to cover all state-approved costs associated with travel and attendance. In addition, although all teaching faculty are invited to submit applications, preference will be given to the following proposals:

- Those that most clearly demonstrate how the travel will benefit the applicant, his/her department/program, or the College, especially with respect to advancing the assessment process;

- Those from individuals whose department/program is scheduled for SUNY program review or discipline-specific accreditation review during 2009-10 or 2010-11.

Needed to Apply:

- Completed application form (attached to this announcement)
- Copy of conference/workshop announcement (for Option #1, if the event is not one listed above)
- Materials that support your choice of the particular institution you intend to visit as a “good assessment practice” site (for Option #2)
- Estimated cost of attendance (a budget)
- Rationale for why you want to attend and how your attendance will benefit you, your department/program, and/or the College

As a condition of receiving funds through this program, awardees will be expected to share information learned from their travel during an APAC -sponsored event (e.g., a lunch seminar).

Submission Information:

Proposals should be submitted to the Office of the Associate Provost for Institutional Assessment & Effectiveness, 135 Netzer Administration Building. APAC will begin considering proposals September 21, 2009, and will review proposals on a rolling basis until funds for the program are expended.

For more information, feel free to contact any member of the Academic Program Assessment Committee (Paul French, Physics and Astronomy; Steve Gilbert, Psychology; Michael Koch, Philosophy; Richard Lee, English; Patrice Macaluso, Theater; Bill Proulx, Human Ecology; Anuradhaa Shastri, Educational Psychology and Counseling; Bill Wilkerson, Political Science)

**Academic Program Assessment Committee
Assessment Travel Grant Program
2009-2010**

Application

Name of Applicant: _____

Department /Program: _____

Campus Address/Phone and e-mail: _____

Funding Option for Submission:¹ _____ Conference/Workshop _____ Institution

Name of Conference/Workshop/Institution: _____

Location and Dates: _____

Rationale for why you want to attend (i.e., how your attendance at this conference/institution will directly benefit your teaching, department/program, and/or College). (Please use as much space as needed.)

Estimated Costs

Conference fees	_____
Travel	_____
Lodging	_____
Other related fees (list)	_____
Total	_____

Please submit application to Dr. Patricia Francis, Associate Provost for Assessment and Institutional Effectiveness, 135 Netzer Administration, or electronically at franciopl@oneonta.edu

¹ For Conference/Workshop option, please attach conference announcement if the event is not listed in the program announcement. For Institution option, please attach information documenting choice as good practice assessment institution.