Application Deadline: Friday, April 27, 2018

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The Dean’s office will once again offer limited funding to support faculty working groups engaged in curricular and pedagogical development this summer (June 1 – August 15). These funds are provided to encourage new initiatives by departments and programs as well as by individual faculty members collaborating with other Bowdoin colleagues. Proposals may be from department chairs and program directors or from other groups of faculty members drawn from different departments and programs.

Potential working groups eligible for this funding might focus on, for example: innovative approaches to teaching introductory level courses, quantitative reasoning elements incorporated into existing or new courses, development of interdisciplinary teaching opportunities, preparation for an external review in your department, etc. Please note that these summer working group funds will not be used to support research and travel for individual course development; such proposals should be directed to the Faculty Development Committee.

Proposal guidelines:

Proposals should be no more than 1-2 pages and should outline the problem or topic to be addressed, the format and time period for completion of the proposed work, participants who would be involved, the expected time commitment of those involved, and the hoped-for outcomes. Proposals must include a detailed budget, including the number of participants, number of days of activity, and any additional expenses. Faculty in working groups that meet between June 1st and August 15th are eligible for stipends of $200/day. A written report will be expected from each summer working group by September 1st.

The dean’s office will review proposals in terms of the potential to strengthen curriculum and pedagogy at the college and in departments and programs. We will also consider the costs of proposed projects in the context of limited availability of resources and may suggest alternative ways of approaching the issues that the proposal addresses.