

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
CRTLE Teaching Innovation Research Grants
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Center for Research on Teaching
and Learning Excellence

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST
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CRTLE TEACHING INNOVATION RESEARCH GRANTS

Overview and Purpose

The Center for Research on Teaching and Learning Excellence (CRTLE) is pleased to announce our 2024 Teaching Innovation Research Grants competition to promote the scholarship of teaching and learning at UTA. With appropriate IRB approvals in place, research and evaluation studies are to be conducted at UTA to contribute new knowledge on teaching, learning, and best practices for fostering student success on our campus.

Proposals for these grants will be accepted from full-time faculty members of any rank and discipline. This Request for Proposals (RFP) replaces the previous CRTLE Education Seed Grant and QEP Seed Grant competitions, thus previous awardees from any prior year are now eligible to apply. Going forward, awardees of this new *CRTLE Teaching Innovation Research Grant* will only be eligible to reapply for a new award 3 years after the date of the funded grant award.

Research from awarded grants is expected to result in publications, and conference presentations, and to provide a foundation for subsequent large grant proposals to be submitted to government agencies or private/corporate foundations. The research project must be completed within 15 months of the award.

**Award recipients will be asked to submit a summary report and present their work at a seminar event to be scheduled after completion of the projects, typically held in early November after the grant closing date.*

The **CRTLE Teaching Innovation Research Grant** competition supports education research in any academic discipline at UTA in the *Tracks of Study* listed below. The award amount is up to **\$2,500** for a single investigator, or up to **\$5,000** for 2 or more UTA faculty member co-investigators. *The number of grants awarded is dependent upon available funds.*

Tracks of Study

1. Research on Teaching and Learning – Any Topic (See [CRTLE website](#) for ideas and resources)
2. Enhancing and Assessing Teamwork in Teaching and Learning (See CRTLE's [PLC website](#))
3. Maverick Advantage Distinguishing Activities in Teaching (See CRTLE's [MAFE website](#))
 - a. *Student Research*
 - b. *Global Engagement*
 - c. *Community Engagement*
 - d. *Leadership Development*
 - e. *Career Development/Internships*
4. Artificial Intelligence GenAI Applied in Teaching (see CRTLE's [AI in Education website](#))
5. Sustainability Implemented in Courses (See the United Nation's [17 Goals](#))

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Application Guidelines

Proposals must consist of the following sections:

1. Cover Page with Abstract. *1 page.*
 - a. Competition name: **CRTLE Teaching Innovation Research Grants**
 - b. Track number and title (e.g., Track 2 Teamwork)
 - c. Background Information:
 - Name
 - Faculty Rank and Position
 - Role as Principal Investigator or Co-Principal Investigator
 - List of Co-Principal Investigators (if applicable) listing the same information as above.
 - d. Proposal Title
 - e. Abstract: 200-word abstract

2. Project Description. *3 pages.*
 - a. Background literature/theoretical foundation
 - b. Research questions/purpose statements
 - c. Methods of data collection and analyses
 - d. Summary of how this research is significant to university teaching and learning
 - e. List of one or more specific larger grant competition(s) to be applied for if awarded this grant
 - f. Time frame to completion of each phase of the project
 - g. References

3. Brief CVs. *2 pages for each investigator.* Focus on information most related to the submitted proposal and to teaching and learning in higher education. Categories to include:
 - a. Education
 - b. Employment
 - c. Publications/Scholarly Work – List up to 10 refereed journal articles, books, chapters, and/or professional presentations. *Mark with (*) previous work/publications/presentations related to the proposed work.*
 - d. Grants – List up to 5 most recently funded grants
 - e. Teaching – UTA catalog number and title of courses taught that are most related to this proposal
 - f. Awards, Honors, and/or Professional Memberships

4. Budget and budget narrative. *1 page.*
 - a. Budget: allowable budget items include faculty summer salary (plus 30% fringe); graduate research assistant (GRA) or hourly undergraduate assistant; professional travel; maintenance and operations. Course release not allowed.
 - b. Budget Narrative: briefly explain each budget item and how it is calculated.

Proposal Submission Procedure and Deadline

Spacing and Font Size: All CRTLE Seed Grant proposals are to be single-spaced, 11-point font, and saved in a single, pdf file.

Proposal Submission: Proposals for each competition are to be submitted to CRTLE@uta.edu, with the subject line written as **CRTLE Teaching Innovation Research Grant Proposal – [PI LAST NAME]**

Deadline for Submission: **11:59 pm CT on April 30, 2024.** Awards will be announced in early-mid **June 2024.**