

## Writing Across the Curriculum Grant



The Writing Across the Curriculum program at FIU, with support from the Office of Academic Planning and Accountability, announces two grant opportunities:

- 1) Grants of \$1,250 for individual faculty to redesign an undergraduate course to include and/or to improve writing assignments and feedback to student writing;
- 2) Grants to departments, faculty cohorts, or interdisciplinary groups planning a large-scale undergraduate curriculum design to increase opportunities for student writing in accordance with the university-wide effort to create a culture of writing at FIU.  
(Amount to be determined by project scope.)

Individual faculty projects might include a revision of existing writing projects or series of writing assignments, creation of a new series of writing assignments, development of a series of writing to learn activities, and revision of an entire course.

Department or group projects might include development of writing assignment templates and/or grading criteria for multiple sections of courses, development of a department writing-intensive course for majors, and revision of a curriculum to incorporate more opportunities for student writing.

**Evaluation of submissions:** Submissions will be evaluated based on the extent to which the proposal could help students meet the course outcomes through writing and critical thinking. Measures to be evaluated will include project scope, impact, clarity, specificity of learning outcomes and assessment.

**Who can apply:** All faculty with approval by the appropriate Chairperson are encouraged to apply. A letter of support from the Chair is required before the grant proposal will be approved. Please send submissions to: [writing@fiu.edu](mailto:writing@fiu.edu).

**What courses are eligible for the grant:** All undergraduate courses are eligible.

**Key dates:**

Submission deadline:	November 29, 2012, by 5:00 pm
Review of proposals:	December 1-20
Announcement of winners:	by December 21

**Payment:** Payment of the award will be processed at the completion of the project.

**Requirements:**

To qualify for the grant, applicants must attend:

- One of the kick-off workshops describing the grant and introducing FIU's WAC effort. Workshops are scheduled as follows:
  - Monday, October 29, 11:00-12:30 in GL220;
  - Thursday, November 1, 3:30-5:00 in GL 156;

Friday, November 2, 1:00-2:30 in GL 156.

Please rsvp to [writing@fiu.edu](mailto:writing@fiu.edu), specifying the date you will attend.

- At least two consultations with Writing and Rhetoric Program WAC consultants during Spring 2013;
- Two WAC-sponsored events held in the spring 2013 semester.

**Additional consulting help available from:**

- Center for Excellence in Writing (305-348-6634 or 305-919-4036)
- Center for the Advancement of Teaching ([laricha@fiu.edu](mailto:laricha@fiu.edu) or [teach@fiu.edu](mailto:teach@fiu.edu))
- Office of Academic Planning and Accountability (305-348-1418)

**Submission procedures:**

Submit proposals of no more than two pages to [writing@fiu.edu](mailto:writing@fiu.edu). Subject line: *WAC Grant Proposal: Your name and Department.*

Please copy your department chair and include the chair's letter of support. Proposals will be reviewed by the WAC Advisory Board subcommittee.

**The two-page proposal should include:**

- Project description
- Brief description of course/courses impacted (attach syllabi)
- Learning outcomes to be achieved through proposed curricular revision
- Semesters in which the curricular revisions will be used
- Suggestions for assessment

**Completion requirements for the WAC project (by May 15, 2013):**

- Revised syllabi
- Detailed description of writing assignments
- Rubric or grading criteria for evaluating assignments
- Log of individuals consulted and University resources utilized

**Implementation requirements:**

- Course must be implemented in 2013-14 academic year in consultation of the Writing Across the Curriculum director, Dr. Kimberly Harrison.

**Questions:** Please contact Kimberly Harrison at [harrisok@fiu.edu](mailto:harrisok@fiu.edu); 305-348-3035 or Michael Creeden, WAC associate director, at [creedenm@fiu.edu](mailto:creedenm@fiu.edu); 305-348-2508.

**Deadline: November 29, 2012**