**TEACHING SKILLS STUDY AWARDS (TSSA)**

**Call for Proposals – Supporting Travel from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020**

**(Sponsored by: Teaching Resource Center)**

**SUBMISSION DEADLINES:**

**(October 9, 2019; January 15, 2020; March 11, 2020; and May 20, 2020)**

**PURPOSE**

To enhance faculty's TEACHING by attending a conference devoted to university teaching, a high-impact practice, evidence-based practice or a newly developing teaching practice.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Full time tenured and tenure-track faculty, and fulltime CSUSB lecturers on a minimum of one-year contract who have not received any TSSA funding in AY 2019-20 are eligible.

**FUNDING**

Awards range from $400-$1,000. Approximate budget is $50,000 for this Grant Program.

**GUIDELINES**

1. Conference must focus on teaching strategies or methods, (e.g., case studies, problem-based learning, active learning, online teaching, collaborative learning, strategies for teaching multicultural classes), and not on content and research in a discipline. Very high priority will be given to conferences totally dedicated to teaching.

**Note**: These awards are not for research or general academic conferences. Proposals for participation in broader conferences or workshops which include *substantial* component(s) focused on teaching will be considered, but will require special justification and details of the nature of the program you wish to attend.

1. Attendance at the conference must directly enhance current courses and immediate teaching assignment or be directly related to departmental needs for program development.
2. Application must be accompanied by a separate sheet with the name and dates of the conference, the link to the conference program, and the names of the workshops and/or presentations you plan to attend.
3. Faculty member will serve as TRC's campus consultant on the teaching strategies learned and must be willing to support TRC's teaching programs.
4. The award will apply only to the approved conference and is not transferable to other conferences.
5. PLEASE NOTE TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS: As a result of Assembly Bill 1887 becoming a law, as of January 1, 2017, the California State University (CSU) will be restricted from requiring employees to travel to certain states. Additionally, CSU is prohibited from approving state-funded or state-sponsored travel to those states. A list of those states can be found at: <https://oag.ca.gov/ab1887>
6. This CALL will apply retroactively to teaching conferences attended starting July 1, 2019, and to conferences up through June 30, 2020.
7. Applications must be submitted electronically no later than 11:59pm of the deadline date.
8. After the conference, faculty will submit a one-page report, and participate in a brown bag dissemination in 2020-21 ONE YEAR FROM THE QUARTER IN WHICH THE CONFERENCE WAS ATTENDED. Submitted reports will be available on the TRC ScholarWorks site.
9. Funding will be on a reimbursement basis. All transactions must be processed via CONCUR, and a CONCUR request must be submitted and approved by the relevant administrators before travel. (found here:  <https://www.csusb.edu/travel/concur>).
10. Department Chair's email and signature are required.

**APPLICATION FORM**

(Proposals that do not comply with the formatting specifications listed below will not be reviewed by the Instructional Quality Committee and will not be funded.)

Proposals should be a maximum of two pages, have 1 inch margins all around, may be single or double-spaced, and have a font size no smaller than 11 point in Arial, Calibri or Times New Roman font. For anonymous review, exclude all identifying information on Page Two.

PAGE ONE

1. **TITLE:** AY 2019-20 Teaching Skills Study Award
2. **NAME, Department, Email, Phone**
3. **SIGNATURE** of Department Chair, Name, Email, Phone

PAGE TWO

1. **NAME OF CONFERENCE, DATE, LOCATION, AND CONFERENCE WEBSITE LINK**
2. **DESCRIPTION OF Teaching Strategies or Method(s)** to be studied at conference
3. **EXPLAIN WHAT YOU HOPE TO LEARN** from attending the conference
4. **EXPLAIN HOW WHAT YOU LEARN WILL ENHANCE YOUR TEACHING**
5. **EVALUATION AND DISSEMINATION**: Do you agree to participate in activities that TRC and the Instructional Quality Committee will set up for grant awardees? Yes / No
6. **BUDGET**: List travel expenses (registration, transportation, hotel, per diem, parking)

**SUBMISSION**

1. Submit ONE ELECTRONIC .PDF COPY to trc@csusb.edu.
2. **DEADLINES**: **October 9, 2019; January 15, 2020; March 11, 2020; and May 20, 2020**

Awards will be announced no later than three weeks following each deadline.

**CRITERIA**

Only proposals that adhere to the required format, are received by the deadline, have the required conference information, and have Department Chair signatures will be reviewed.

1. Conference is directly related to teaching.
2. Impact of conference on teaching is significant and clearly explained (See Item #7 above).
3. Faculty member agrees to participate in an evaluation and/or dissemination activity to be determined by IQC/TRC.
4. Budget is appropriate and does not exceed $1,000.
5. Faculty member has not received prior TSSA funding for AY 2019-20.
6. Faculty member has submitted all grant reports for TRC grants awarded prior to 2018-19.
7. Travel complies with AB1887 guidelines.