



2016-17 CSI INNOVATION CIRCLE GRANT APPLICATIONS

“If you want to build a ship, don’t drum up people to collect wood and don’t assign them tasks and work, but rather teach them to long for the endless immensity of the sea.”

--Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Innovation comes from such reflection and collaboration. Often it requires thinking outside regular parameters; often it needs to be a forecast, a chance to explore possibilities.

For 2016-17, there will be two focused Innovation Circle Grants, both sponsored by the Office of the President. *(For specific projects with capital requests for equipment, training, and so on, please consider applying for a Pioneering Grant* [\(<http://planning.csi.edu/grantsDevel/internalGrants/index.asp>\)](http://planning.csi.edu/grantsDevel/internalGrants/index.asp))

Different from prior years, the 2016-17 Innovation Circle Grant is an opportunity for two separate teams of four full-time faculty members from diverse areas to come together and create potential projects and plans focusing on **Maker Rooms** or **Maker Space** in the context of redesigning instructional space at CSI, part of the Master Plan. In a general sense, each team will create plans for development and utilization, complete with operational explanation, and a proposed budget. Each team will present its work to the administration at the end of the grant period in May of 2017. Each team may be asked to present to the Board of Trustees.

Previous Innovation Circle Grant awardees may not apply for this grant.

Each member of the team will receive a \$1,600 stipend for the completed work OR one class release time (*release time must be approved by the department chair in advance of submitting a proposal*).

Each team of four must represent both transfer and professional-technical faculty and must have at least one from each area (i.e., three PTE faculty and one transfer faculty, two of each, or three transfer and one PTE). The four faculty members are expected to spend roughly three hours a week for fifteen weeks to dream, innovate, collaborate, and create.

Proposal must be submitted to the Office of the President no later than December 1, 2016. Awards will be announced by December 16, 2016.

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PROPOSAL INFORMATION

(Please be creative but as concise as possible.)

Your entire application should not exceed 6 pages, including attachments.

2016-17 Innovation Circle Grant Abstract

- Summarize the work process that you will use to accomplish your plan. Include the names of the four faculty members, the plan for weekly meetings, and a reporting plan at the close of the semester.

CSI Innovation Circle Grants pay for a stipend OR release time for four full-time faculty members for one class (or the equivalent) in one semester. There is no other funding for additional salaries, honoraria, or food for the applicants. In the case of release time, faculty must have the approval of their department chair to determine the nature of three hours of release time as it may differ depending on department and discipline. Faculty must have their release time plan pre-approved by their department chair and dean, and the written approval must be part of the application. *Nota Bene: Faculty awarded an Innovation Circle Grant may not teach overload during the semester of the grant.*

ATTACHMENTS

(Please attach only those supporting materials that will serve to strengthen your application)

Do not exceed the 6 page proposal limit.