2025 Curricular and Teaching Innovation Grant

The Curricular and Teaching Innovation Grant, funded by the I.K. Barber Endowment, is intended to recognise and promote individual projects or cross-program and cross-department collaborations leading to innovative curriculum or teaching practices to enhance the learning experience of students. Innovative teaching practices and fundamental revisions to current courses and programs aimed at addressing the following areas are encouraged but not limited to¹:

- Decolonization, Indigenization of the curriculum
- Diversity, equity and inclusivity curriculum
- Integration of experiential learning opportunities in the curriculum
- Pan-Canadian/multi-institutional course development
- Timely topics in curriculum development

ELIGIBILITY

Tenured, tenure-track, and term lecturers in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Adjunct professors, sessional instructors and staff members may be co-applicants. Individual or team applications are welcome.

FUNDING

Total funding from the IKB Endowment Fund available to the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences CTIG is \$12,000.

Eligible expenses

The award is intended to cover expenses related to the proposed project and may include:

- Acquisition of materials or equipment directly related to the project (e.g. software, essential hardware, teaching materials)
- Course buyout from normally assigned duties and salary costs for research Assistants.²

¹ Some of these items are directly related to UBC's strategic initiatives.

² Recipients may use a portion of the awarded funds to defray (at the department's going rate) one course release during the duration of the award. The course release must be approved by their Department Head and stipulated in the Head's support letter. In lieu of course release, the applicant may request salary for a full-time undergraduate assistant (max 12hrs per week/32 weeks) or a halftime graduate assistant (max 12hrs per week/16 weeks). The assistants must devote all their salaried time to the proposed curriculum innovation. For further information, please contact ikbawardsandevents.ubco@ubc.ca.

- Travel-related expenses and/or fees for training courses
- Up to 6% of the total amount requested can be allocated for conference attendance expenses to disseminate project outcomes.

Ineligible Expenses

• Purchase of external consulting or other types of services where the expertise is available within UBC.

FUNDING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Financial support from the FASS IKB Endowment Fund should be acknowledged in any communication and dissemination pertaining to the funded project.

APPLICATION AND TERMS

Individuals and teams must complete the application form available here.

The award is normally held for a period of one year starting May 1 of the year awarded, however, it may be extended for up to two years if necessary (e.g. due to limited availability of lab space and equipment during school year, availability of students for trials, etc.).

A letter of support from the Department Head must accompany the application. It must detail the management plan for the course release and additional space requirements (if applicable) in addition to outlining any additional support and in-kind contribution provided by the Department.

This award may not be conferred each year, depending on whether qualifying applications are received.

Preference will be given to applicants who have not held an award in the last three years.

Application Deadline: February 7, 2025 - 4 p.m. to ikbawardsandevents.ubco@ubc.ca.

ADJUDICATION

The Dean's designate will chair the Curricular and Teaching Innovation Grant Committee, which will be responsible for making recommendations to the Dean. The Committee membership will comprise one student member and up to three faculty members.

Grant recipients will be announced by March 7, 2025.

Please refer to the **CTIG Guidelines and Supplemental Information** for more information on focus areas related to the UBC Strategic Plan, Application Checklist, and FAQs.