

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT SUMMER GRANTS PROGRAM

The Summer Grants Program offers faculty the opportunity to obtain financial support for scholarly, artistic, curricular, and instructional projects undertaken during the summer months. The grants are awarded by the Summer Grants Committee, which is comprised of the elected faculty members of the FDC. The Program is administered by the Director of Faculty Development. The fourteen SNC faculty who received 2010 Summer Grant awards of up to \$2,000.00 were:

Curricular and Instructional Improvement Awards

Betsy Bauman, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies

To research and develop a new course for the Religious Studies major curriculum focusing on the origins and composition of the New Testament.

Thomas Bolin, Associate Professor of Religious Studies

To establish an introductory survey course on non-Christian religions for the Religious Studies curriculum.

Bridget Burke Ravizza, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies

To restore a course in the Religious Studies curriculum on theological responses to ethical questions surrounding sexuality and intimacy.

Russ Feirer, Associate Professor of Biology

To design a new course titled "The Cancer Cell," an upper-level elective for students in the Biology program.

Tynisha Meidl, Assistant Professor Education

To create a J-term class to provide pre-service teachers with valuable experience in public, urban school settings in New Orleans.

Kathy Molnar, Associate Professor of Business Administration

To develop and design an accounting information systems course that will become a requirement for the Accounting program.

Marc von de Ruhr, Associate Professor Economics

To develop a new course, "The Economics of Religion," that applies economic theory to the understanding of the dynamics of church competition.

Scholarship, Research, and Artistic Endeavors Awards

Wolfgang Grassl, Associate Professor of Business Administration

To begin development of a new introductory-level marketing textbook by writing pilot chapters.

Ashley Hill-Soderlund, Assistant Professor of Psychology

To research infant emotional development and the role of the parent-child relationship in predicting variability in how infants learn to control their emotions.

Sabine Hyland, Associate Professor of Anthropology

To make final revisions on her book manuscript, *Gods of the Andes: An Account of the Ancient Customs of Natives of Peru*.

Leanne Kent, Assistant Professor of Philosophy

To write a journal paper on business ethics and virtue ethics for *Business Ethics Quarterly*.

Susan Landt, Associate Professor of Education

To investigate the use of multicultural literature in teaching practices of elementary school classrooms.

Stephen Rupsch, Assistant Professor of Theatre Studies

To conduct a feasibility study to determine the viability of an alternative theater company in the Greater Green Bay area.

Beth Tarasawa, Assistant Professor of Sociology

To complete an article on immigration patterns and resource competition in metro Atlanta public high schools.

The investment in the Summer Grants Program has been an excellent one. During the past twenty-five years, through over 380 individual grants, the Program has provided many different faculty with opportunities for pursuing significant scholarly, artistic, curricular, and pedagogical projects that otherwise might not have been undertaken or completed.