CALL FOR APPLICATIONS EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING FUND 2021-2022

Applications are invited for the 2021-2022 Experiential Learning Fund.

For the purposes of this year's competition, we are defining "experiential learning" as active learning approaches, on and off campus, that help students in credit courses to develop hands-on experience and valuable job skills. Priority will be given to innovative projects that include a project-evaluation strategy, as well as a plan for remote project delivery/completion, given the current circumstances.

Grants may be awarded to pilot projects, one-time additions to existing courses, or projects that have the potential to be sustained after an initial seed funding period. Proposals can include projects that advance University-wide supports for experiential learning in credit courses, or projects that support specific credit courses.

Projects may include, but are not limited to those that:

- Integrate experiential learning into existing courses (please include a course outline with your supporting documents)
- Develop assessment practices for experiential learning
- Build experiential learning partnerships with local, national or international entities
- Develop practices and frameworks for experiential learning that serve the needs expressed by community partners and employers
- Develop and offer professional development opportunities for faculty members interested in integrating experiential learning into their courses

See https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/experiential-learning/elfund/past-projects.html for examples of past years' funded projects.

Reporting & Other Requirements:

Fund recipients:

- Will be required to provide a brief project report and expense report in March 2022
- Will be asked to provide photos or video documentation of project moments for UW promotional and educational materials
- Will be invited to provide or participate in a workshop on campus about their project
- Will be encouraged to participate in the Experiential Learning Network's planning and programming activities to help grow a community of practice around Experiential Learning at the University

Eligibility and Application Process:

Applications should be submitted no later than March 15, 2021 and funding decisions will be announced by May 1. A total of \$30,000 will be awarded. In past competitions, the fund has been divided among 10 to 12 projects, for a typical grant size in the \$2,000 to \$4,000 range. Larger grants and previously-funded projects will be considered, as will both individual and team applications, and grants in partnership with community organizations.

Applications should be submitted on the attached form to the Coordinator for Experiential Learning and Internships, Nyala Ali, at nv.ali@uwinnipeg.ca.

All applications and supporting materials must be submitted as PDFs.