

FVCC Foundation

2022 Enhancement Grant Application

Deadline: Friday, February 18, 2022



From a grain mill for the FVCC Campus Farm, to a regional math contest for high school students hosted at FVCC, to podcast equipment for the Broussard Library & Learning Commons, these are just a few of the projects that are made possible by Enhancement Grants.

Overview

As part of our mission to support programs at FVCC, the Foundation funds innovative projects that promise to improve the student experience. All areas of the college are welcome to apply, and collaborative projects between departments, academic divisions, industry partners or community groups are encouraged.

For assistance in developing your grant application, contact the Foundation office at 406.756.3632 or foundation@fvcc.edu.

Funding

The Foundation Board of Directors and Associates has approved \$50,000 for 2022 Enhancement Grants.

NEW in 2022: We are offering two (2) grants for up to \$10,000 each to provide additional funding for more complex proposals. Remaining proposals will be awarded up to \$5,000.

Funding Priorities

Successful proposals will address at least one of the following priorities:

1. Adoption of instructional strategies, technologies or projects that will shift the student learning experience. Projects replicating research-backed, best-practice strategies will be prioritized. Previously funded projects include:
 - UV/Vis Spectrophotometer for analyzing beer ingredients -- Brewing Science
 - Active Intruder Response Training – Continuing Education/Workforce Training
 - Electronics, robotics, and 3-D printing technology in the MakerSpace – Library & Learning Commons
2. Creative projects that add new opportunities for students that demonstrate FVCC as a college-of-choice for our community. Previously funded examples include:
 - Flathead Fungal Diversity mushroom guides for Flathead Valley residents and visitors – Biology
 - Chef's Table – Culinary Arts
 - Campus Farm -
 - Scholars Program
3. Grants for one-time local events that engage K-12, four-year colleges or universities, businesses, organizations and individuals with FVCC academic projects and/or programs. One-time event proposals must include a business plan that will sustain the project if it is repeated in the future.
 - Special Topics lab experience for current physical therapy students and graduates – Physical Therapy
 - Northwest Regional App Challenge and Hockaday for girls, grades 4-8 – Computer Science
 - Women's Choral Festival
 - Virtual Author/Poet Workshop

The Foundation will not consider proposals that could be funded from traditional college sources. For example, routine purchases of supplies or equipment will not be funded.

Application Timeline

December 2021:

- Application opens.

February 2022:

- Applications due by 5pm Friday, February 18. Email your application to foundation@fvcc.edu or deliver it to the Foundation Office in Blake Hall. A written or emailed signature of approval of your supervisor (staff) or the Vice President of Academic & Student Affairs (faculty) must be included. Additional materials will be accepted.
- Foundation Scholarship/Grant Review Committee reviews proposals and may contact applicants for additional information, if necessary.

March 2022:

- Applications awarded by Friday, March 18. Funds must be expended within 12 months of the award or applicants must receive permission to extend the deadline from the Foundation. Changes to the original budget or project scope will require prior approval by the Foundation.

July - December 2022:

- Successful applicants present their project to the Foundation Board of Directors and Associates at a quarterly Board meeting.

March 2023:

- Successful applicants must submit a final project report within 12 months of receiving their award.

Application Form

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Title of project:

Description of project:

Which FVCC Foundation funding priority(ies) is/are addressed by this project? How does the project address this/these funding priority(ies)?:

Anticipated measurable outcomes (e.g. increase enrollment in CJ 112 by 10 percent):

Research used in the development of your project idea, if applicable:

Project Summary

Number of students, faculty, and/or staff impacted directly by the project	
Amount requested from the FVCC Foundation	
Other matching funds available (operating budget, department funds, other grants, etc.)	
Total project cost	
Has this item been requested through the college budget process (Yes or No). If yes, what was the reason for denial?	

Please complete the following sample budget that describes how funds will be used.
Additional sheets answering the questions will be accepted.

Division Chair or Supervisor Signature/Date

VP, Academic & Student Affairs or Executive Staff Signature/Date

Sample Budget (adapt as necessary)

Item	Funding Request	Justification	Total
Hourly Wages/Stipend			
Contracted Services			
Supplies			
Equipment			
Other			

Please provide a detailed narrative of the following:

- **Hourly wages:** Include who is getting paid (Position/Name), at what FTE and the total amount.
- **Contracted Services:** Include a description of the scope of work for any professional services being purchased
- **Supplies:** Include a list of the types of supplies and the costs estimated with each.
- **Equipment:** Include a list of the type(s) of equipment that will be purchased for the project. Equipment may include technology/electronics, large-scale equipment, and non-routine items.
- **Other:** Include any other costs not listed in the previous categories.