

Seed Funding and Internal Grants at UMass Lowell

Listed below are on-campus grants available to UML faculty for research, pedagogy, and service learning. This list is not intended to be comprehensive, but, rather, serve as a starting point for faculty searching for internal funding. Not all programs will necessarily be offered each academic year, as this will depend on funding availability. 'Application Deadline' dates are approximate. Updates and additions may be sent to Gregory DeLaurier at the Office of Research Administration, (978) 934 3117.

PROVOST'S OFFICE

<http://www.uml.edu/academicaffairs/>

- Grant Name:* **Healey Public Service Grant**
Amounts available: up to \$10,000
Purpose: to promote public service and interdisciplinary projects
Applic. Deadline: usually Fall semester
Further Information: Office of the Provost
- Grant Name:* **Interdisciplinary Initiatives** (limited funding available for academic year 2006-07)
Amounts available: varies
Purpose: to promote interdisciplinary initiatives
Applic. Deadline: rolling
Further Information: Office of the Provost
- Grant Name:* **Pre-Tenure Sabbatical**
Amounts available: one semester paid leave
Purpose: to assist junior faculty in completing research projects and publications in preparation for tenure
Applic. Deadline: usually early Fall
Further Information: Office of the Provost
- Grant Name:* **Matching Funds**
Amounts available: varies
Purpose: funds (as well as in kind contributions) are made available for the submission of highly promising and competitive grant proposals
Applic. Deadline: rolling
Further Information: Office of the Provost

UNIVERSITY RESEARCH COUNCIL

Grant Name: **University Seed Funding Program to Advance Research and Scholarship**
Amounts Available: up to \$10,000
Purpose: to support junior faculty or researchers in work leading to external funding, and assist all faculty or researchers in bridging gaps between funding sources or engaging course buy-outs; 70% of seed funding awarded to untenured faculty
Applic. Deadline: 2 rounds of competitively awarded funding per year
Further Information: Patty Coffey, Project Associate, (978) 934-3218

FACULTY TEACHING CENTER <http://www.uml.edu/centers/ftc/>

Grant Name: **Faculty/Student Collaboration Seed Grants**
Amounts available: \$2,000
Purpose: to support the engagement of students in substantive, active roles in a research project with a faculty mentor
Applic. Deadline: contact Faculty Teaching Center
Further Information: Faculty Teaching Center
<http://www.uml.edu/centers/ftc/seed%20grants.htm>

Grant Name: **Teaching and Learning Seed Grants**
Amounts available: \$2,000
Purpose: proposals accepted from individuals or groups designed to increase understanding of the learning process; to implement new teaching techniques; to improve student achievement
Applic. Deadline: April
Further Information: Faculty Teaching Center
<http://www.uml.edu/centers/ftc/seed%20grants.htm>

COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL THEORY AND ASSESMENT (CITA) <http://www.uml.edu/com/CITA/previous.htm>

Grant Name: **CITA Small and Seed Grants**
Amounts available: varies
Purpose: to promote innovative work to advance sustainability in the regional economy
Applic. Deadline: contact CITA
Further Information: Prof. Robert Forrant: (978) 934-2904
Prof. Linda Silka: (978) 934-4247

OFFICE OF RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION (ORA)

<http://www.uml.edu/research/foundation.htm>

Grant Name: **Scholarly Research Forum (SRF) Matching Grants** (not available academic year 2006-07)
Amounts available: \$1000 - \$1500
Purpose: to support applications for external funding by junior faculty who are members of the Scholarly Research Forum
Applic. Deadline: rolling
Further Information: Gregory DeLaurier, (978) 934-3117

Grant Name: **SRF Summer Research Seed Grants**
Amounts available: up to \$2500
Purpose: to support summer research by junior faculty who are members of the Scholarly Research Forum that holds promise for external funding or fulfills the mission of the University
Applic. Deadline: late April
Further Information: Gregory DeLaurier, (978) 934-3117

Grant Name: **Seed Grants**
Amounts available: varies
Purpose: to provide supplemental funding for small research projects that hold promise for external funding
Applic. Deadline: rolling
Further Information: Office of Research Administration

COUNCIL ON DIVERSITY AND PLURALISM

Grant Name: **Diversity Initiatives Fund**
Amounts available: varies
Purpose: promote campus diversity efforts.
Applic. Deadline: rolling
Further Information: Brenda Evans, Office of Multicultural Affairs, (978) 934-5021

TOXICS USE REDUCTION INSITUTE (TURI) <http://www.turi.org/>

Grant Name: **University Research in Sustainable Technologies**
Amounts available: up to \$20 000
Purpose: to advance the investigation, development and evaluation of technologies that are environmentally, occupationally and economically sound
Applic. Deadline: usually early summer
Further Information: Pam Civie, TURI, (978) 934-3142
<http://www.turi.org/content/content/view/full/3846>

MOGAN CULTURAL CENTER (a program of Lowell National Historical Park in partnership with UMass Lowell)

<http://www.nps.gov/archive/lowe/2002/mogan/>

Grant Name: **Community Project and Program Proposals**
Amounts available: up to \$2500
Purpose: promote and research culture and history of Lowell
Applic. Deadline: usually December 1
Further Information: Mehmed Ali, (978) 275-1826

Grant Name: **Scholar in the City Research Program**
Amounts available: \$2500
Purpose: supports work on public history of Lowell
Applic. Deadline: usually December 1
Further Information: Mehmed Ali, (978) 275-1826

COMMITTEE OF FEDERATED CENTERS AND INSTITUTES (CFCI)

<http://www.uml.edu/research/centers.htm>

Grant Name: **Innovation Enhancement Program**
Amounts available: award will support a one-half time, full year, RA/TA. CFCI members' collaboration increases funding according to the number of participating centers
Purpose: to foster innovation among University centers and institutes which are members in good standing of CFCI
Applic. Deadline: late July
Further Information: Nancy Pitkin, (978) 934-4651

Grant Name: **Course Release Applications**
Amounts available: varies
Purpose: to support collaborative work of faculty who have been at the University less than 4 years and who are sponsored by directors of CFCI member centers and institutes
Applic. Deadline: late June
Further Information: Nancy Pitkin, (978) 934-4651

CENTER FOR HIGH-RATE NANOMANUFACTURING (CHM)
www.uml.edu/chn

Grant Name: **Research Seed Funding**
Amounts available: \$20 000 to \$40 000
Purpose: to support research specifically supporting and/or complementing the core CHN effort in high-rate, template-directed assembly
Applic. Deadline: mid January
Further Information: Lois Heath, (978) 934-3188

UMASS PRESIDENT'S OFFICE <http://www.massachusetts.edu>

The UMass President's Office and affiliated councils and organizations offer several funding opportunities. Faculty are normally made aware of these opportunities through distribution e-mails from the Chancellor's Office or the Provost's Office. Two major funding opportunities are described below.

Grant Name: **Science and Technology Initiatives Fund**
Amounts available: varies
Purpose: strengthen and promote the growth of the UMass research enterprise.
Applic. Deadline: usually February
Further Information: Provost's Office

Grant Name: **Academic Technology Grant Program**

Amounts available: --\$2000 - \$8000, up to \$12,000 for projects of exceptional merit involving cross-campus collaboration (Professional Development Grants);
--\$8000 - \$25,000 (Strategic Initiative Grants)

Purpose: to support activity that demonstrates the use of electronic technologies and telecommunications to improve students' learning and enhance their academic experience

Applic. Deadline: usually March

Further Information: Provost's Office or UMass Information Technology Council at:
<http://www.massachusetts.edu/administration/itc/pdgrants/pdgrants.html>