Peabody College Small Grants for Research

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| **Timeline:**     | - Submission Deadlines: October 16th, 2015; March 25th, 2016  
                   - Award Announcement: November 20th, 2015; May 6th, 2016 |
| **Goals:**        | - Support for research contributing to the individual's scholarly advancement.  
                   - Nurture excellent scholarship by faculty, especially junior, practice and clinical faculty; and where appropriate, support research that may seed subsequent extramural funding.  
                   - Preference will be given to those who have not previously been awarded a Small Research Grant. |
| **Eligibility:**  | Tenure-stream, practice, and clinical faculty may apply. |
| **Submission Content:** | **Cover Letter (1 page)**  
                           - Indicate whether you have been awarded a small grant from Peabody in the past. If so, describe the outcomes of the small grant, including extramural funding.  
                           **Research Program (3-5 pages single-spaced, 12 pt. Times New Roman)**  
                           - Provide a clear rationale for how the proposed research would contribute to the existing knowledge-base, particularly in relation to previously published studies.  
                           - Indicate how the proposed research contributes to your overall research program.  
                           - Present clear research questions.  
                           - Indicate a clearly articulated research plan, specifying the participant population, sampling approach, dependent measures, procedures for collecting information, independent variables (if appropriate), and a plan for analyzing/interpreting the resulting data.  
                           - If relevant, how will the successful completion of the proposed research lead to extramural funding?  
                           **Activities/Timeline (1 page single-spaced)**  
                           - List key research activities and a timeline for accomplishing these activities.  
                           - Describe specifically your activities and responsibilities.  
                           - Describe the activities of others who are funded on the grant.  
                           **Budget (1 page)**  
                           - List and justify expenditures by category (equipment, staffing, supplies, travel, etc.).  
                           - Faculty salaries may not be funded from Small Research Grants.  
                           - Items normally funded through other College programs (e.g., conference travel) may not be funded through Small Research Grants.  
                           **Vita**  
                           - Include an updated vita with the proposal. |
| **Procedures:**   | - Submit an electronic version of the application documents to david.dickinson@vanderbilt.edu. Your Chair does not need to write a support letter.  
                   - You will be notified about the outcome of your application via email.  
                   - A 1-page final report is due one year after the funds are received.  
                   - Direct questions to David Dickinson, Associate Dean, at 343-4792 or david.dickinson@vanderbilt.edu |
**Peabody Small Grant for Instructional Improvement**

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| **Timeline:**     | · Submission Deadlines: October 16th, 2015; March 25th, 2016  
                    · Award Announcement: November 20th, 2015; May 6th, 2016 |
| **Goals:**        | · To support initiatives to improve the quality of instruction in one or more areas at the undergraduate, professional, or graduate student level.  
                    · To encourage the development and demonstration of instructional innovations that can be replicated throughout Peabody College.  
                    · Preference will be given to those who have not previously received an award. |
| **Eligibility:**  | All full-time faculty may apply; group applications are encouraged.  
                    Preference will be given to projects that:  
                    · Incorporate instructional approaches or techniques not already in use at Peabody College.  
                    · Lend themselves to replication or adaptation in other Peabody programs.  
                    · Include an assessment of the effects of the innovation. |
| **Submission Content:** | **Cover letter** that discusses prior instructional grants you have received and either a copy of the final report or a brief accounting of resulting activities (1-2 pages).  
3-4 page proposal with the following information *(single-spaced, Times New Roman 1” margin)*:  
· Goals of the proposed innovation and what will be accomplished.  
· What the funds will provide to those involved in the project.  
· How the project fits with the curriculum of the department(s).  
· The potential impact of the proposed instructional innovation.  
· In no more than a page, list the activities and timeline for the project.  
· Describe the activities and responsibilities of project staff.  
**Budget**  
· List expenditures by category (equipment, graduate assistant salary, supplies)  
· Tie each expenditure to specific project activities  
· Faculty summer salaries may not be funded by instructional improvement grants.  
· **Dissemination**  
· Describe how the findings of the project will be disseminated to Peabody faculty. |
| **Procedures:**   | Submit an electronic version of the application documents to david.dickinson@Vanderbilt.edu by with a copy to your department chair. Your Chair does not need to write a support letter unless more than one application will be submitted by a department. In that case the Chair needs to send a letter of support for the proposal to the Associate Dean. Please notify your Chair in advance if you plan to submit one of these proposals.  
· A brief final report is due one year after the funds are received. You will be notified about the outcome of your application via email.  
· A 1-page final report is due one year after the funds are received.  
· Direct questions to David Dickinson, Associate Dean by email or at 343-4792. |