**Werklund Teaching and Learning Support Grant – Spring 2025**

**Funding Overview -** This funding supports Werklund School of Education academic staff in advancing teaching and learning through grants to support one of the following types of initiatives:

1. **Funding Option 1: Research in Teaching and Learning.** This grant is intended as seed funding to support academic staff preparing to apply for further grants for research into teaching and learning.This grant could be utilized to help conceptualize or develop an idea for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) research (e.g., hire an RA to help prepare a grant package for a University of Calgary Teaching and Learning project, initiate research into pedagogies relevant to Indigenous ways of knowing, practices that impact EDIA (Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Accessibility), etc.).
2. **Funding Option 2: Teaching or Course Improvements.** This grant is intended to support academic staff to make improvements (e.g., course refresh/redesign) to courses taught in online, blended, or in-person formats. This grant could be utilized to form a [teaching square](https://taylorinstitute.ucalgary.ca/resources/teaching-squares-observe-and-reflect-teaching-and-learning) (community of practice); prepare innovative digital content (e.g., hire an RA or TA to help prepare content for a flipped learning approach, design interactive synchronous sessions, asynchronous content, digital assessments, multi-media case studies, podcasts, simulations, digital annotation, hybrid learning, co-teaching activities, experiential learning, open educational practices, social innovation, flexible and engaging teaching and learning practices, connections to institutional strategies and priorities, etc.); or undertake an examination of current course content and practices to determine ways to integrate Indigenous ways of knowing and increase aspects of equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility into a course or program.

**Application deadline for this support funding –** June 2, 2025

**Funding Available -** Applicants can apply for up to $2500.

**Use of Funds –** Awarded funds should be used before March 31, 2027. Funds from this grant are not permitted for hardware purchases. Consult the [GSA Collective Agreement](https://gsa.ucalgary.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/GSA-Collective-Agreement-2020.pdf) for about research assistant remuneration and benefits or contact Laurie McDonald [laurie.mcdonald2@ucalgary.ca](mailto:laurie.mcdonald2@ucalgary.ca).

**Eligibility Criteria –** Applicants must have a continuous appointment to be listed as the Principal Investigator on the grant application. Contract faculty, postdoctoral scholars, and graduate students are eligible to be co-applicants or collaborators. Priority will be given to applicants who have not received this grant recently.

**Adjudication –** The applications will be reviewed by the Associate Dean Teaching and Learning and members of the Teaching and Learning Advisory Committee (TLAC). The Directors of Indigenous Education and Director of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion will also be involved in adjudicating grant applications focused on addressing these areas of practice and research.

**Reporting –** If funded, a research account will be set up and the applicant will be responsible for managing and submitting all expenses incurred to this project account through PeopleSoft. A brief report (executive summary) will be requested by the Office of Teaching and Learning at the end of the academic year and follow-up updates will be requested to report impact of the grants. Applicants will be invited to present findings during pedagogy series and/or contribute to the teaching and learning [vignette collection](https://prism.ucalgary.ca/handle/1880/113611).

Submit your application (below) electronically to the Werklund Office of Teaching and Learningat[tandl@ucalgary.ca](mailto:tandl@ucalgary.ca).

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**Application Form**

**Applicant’s Name:**

**Email address:**

**Co-Applicant/Collaborator Name(s):**

**Project Title:**

Funding Option 1\_\_\_\_: Check if initiating a research idea to prepare to apply for a larger grant

Funding Option 2\_\_\_\_: Check if project will support teaching or course improvements

**Project Abstract:**

*Explain how the funding will enhance your research idea and larger grant application or support teaching/course improvements. Explain how your project will enhance teaching and learning at the Werklund School of Education and benefit other courses, educators, students, etc. (~250 words)*

**Keywords (4-5):**

*(e.g., Indigenous Pedagogy, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, Accessibility, Technology-Enhanced Learning, etc.)*

**Budget**:

*Provide a budget for your proposed project.*

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| **Budget** | **Dollar Amount** | **Justification** |
| **Research Assistant** | **$** | Hire graduate student(s) to support project \_\_\_ weeks x10 hours/ week = \_\_\_ hours  @ $ \_\_\_/hr (including benefits) |
| **Other (Please specify)** | **$** |  |
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| **Total**  (cannot exceed maximum available) | **$** |  |

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| Applicant’s Name (print) |  | Applicant’s Signature |  | Date |