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## 2018-2019 USG SoTL Fellows Program

The University System of Georgia (USG) Office of Faculty Development will be accepting applications for the 2018-2019 USG SoTL Fellows Program between October 4 – November 8, 2017. This system-wide fellows program will foster a community of learners around the scholarship of teaching and learning (SoTL) and provide support while participants design and implement a classroom-based research project.

#### **Outcomes**

During the length of the program, participants will:

- Craft research questions to explore their topic of interest
- Determine type(s) of data needed
- Determine appropriate methods and analysis
- Collect data
- Learn how to analyze data, write up results and conclusions, and prepare manuscripts for publication

Throughout the course of the fellowship, participants will also become familiar with existing scholarly research on teaching and learning and will be encouraged to develop a long-term SoTL research agenda of their own. Equally important, participants will come away with resources that they can use and share on their own campuses as SoTL mentors and advocates.

Participants who successfully complete the program will receive a \$500 honorarium.

#### **Meetings**

Fellows will attend the USG SoTL Fellows Orientation in Athens, Georgia, which will run concurrently with the <u>USG Teaching & Learning Conference</u> on April 4 - 6, 2018.

Monthly online meetings will be held on Mondays, from 2 - 3 PM during summer, fall, and spring semesters. Fellows must have a commitment from their department chairs that they will be able to attend these meetings. Applicants who are not able to meet at these times should not apply.

#### Compensation

Fellows will receive a \$500 stipend upon successful completion of the program, as well as complimentary registration to the USG Teaching & Learning Conference. Fellows should confirm with their Department Chair or Chief Academic Officer that they will provide travel funds as needed.

### **Applications**

Applicants will propose a SoTL research project to design and implement over the course of the fellowship. Research projects that are currently in progress are not eligible.

Applicants must have the endorsement of their institution's representative from the <u>Georgia Consortium on Teaching and Learning</u>; only one faculty member from each institution may

# apply. This institute is ideally suited for scholars who are familiar with but not extensively experienced in SoTL research.

Applicants should be prepared to answer the following questions on the application:

- Why are you interested in becoming a USG SoTL Fellow?
- Describe your previous SoTL experience (i.e. SoTL training, previous projects, etc.).
- List any SoTL work you have published or presented at conferences.
- Describe your idea for your SoTL project. Include as much information as you can to help us understand your project idea. Include your research question and any ideas you have about data collection.
- Supply the name of your referring <u>Georgia Consortium on Teaching and Learning</u> representative
- Applicants will also be asked to commit to the dates/meetings detailed in the timeline below.

Up to ten slots will be filled as follows based on the number of colleges and universities per sector and the makeup of the applicants:

- 1 from the Research University Sector
- 1 from the Comprehensive University Sector
- 3-4 from the State University Sector
- 3-4 from the State College Sector
- 1 participant at large

#### **Timeline for 2018-2019 Fellows**

- October 4, 2017 Applications open
- November 8, 2017 Applications close
- December 1, 2017 Participants notified
- April 4-6, 2018 USG SoTL Fellows orientation and <u>USG Teaching & Learning Conference</u> (Athens, GA)
- Summer and fall, 2018: Virtual monthly meetings (Mondays from 2-3 PM); participants design SoTL projects
- Spring, 2019: Virtual monthly meetings (Mondays from 2-3 PM); participants collect/analyze data
- April 2019 Share their perspectives on the process of SoTL and progress of their projects at 2019 USG Teaching & Learning Conference

Apply here for the 2018-2019 USG SoTL Fellows Program.

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