*Sent on behalf of Dr. David Reed, Associate Dean for Graduate Programs and Faculty Development, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences*

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Call for Neuhaus-Shepardson Faculty Development Grant applications – **Due November 3, 2017**

**PURPOSE:**

To promote excellence in teaching and instruction within all undergraduate, graduate and

professional education programs of the college.

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The grant should contribute to your personal professional development, such as attending a teaching workshop, researching data for an authoritative text, attend a conference in a specialized area beyond your field, first site-visit to plan a new study abroad, participate in a faculty exchange, develop collaborative relations for teaching/research, learn another skill set, language, method or technology, grant writing, a novel educational experience, etc.  The grant can have a research component as long as that experience also contributes to your teaching effectiveness.  The goal should be to promote your professional development as opposed to promoting development of your program.  For example, the first international trip to develop collaborations, contacts and logistics for a study abroad or collaborative project expands your horizon and contributes to your professional development, but a second trip for a similar purpose advances development of your program.

**Faculty Development Grant – General open category**

* Up to $2,000; funds must be expended in remainder of FY18
* Preference will be given to proposals that supply matching funds
* One per faculty member
* May be used for faculty development training, improvement of professional effectiveness, travel, registration, etc.
* Submit by November 3, 2017

**International Faculty Development Grant**

* Up to $2,000; funds must be expended in remainder of FY18
* Preference will be given to proposals that supply matching funds
* One per faculty member
* Must not have a Faculty Developmental Grant in the past two years.
* Must contribute to faculty development and strengthen the College’s efforts in the international arena, especially related to its teaching mission.
* Submit by November 3, 2017

**Teacher Workshop** **or equivalent teaching development conference**.

* Preference will be given to young faculty with a sincere interest in improving their teaching skills.
* The grant will cover the cost of registration (registration fee, meals and 2 nights lodging).
* The Department or faculty member will cover all other costs (travel, etc.)
* Submit immediately, first come first serve until the allocated funds are exhausted.

**Application Process**

* Complete the attached Application Form.
* Specifically, indicate how the grant will increase your personal development as opposed to program development (e.g. enhance your courses, research program, etc.)
* Submit PDF of completed and signed application to aglsgradinfo@tamu.edu with a copy to David Reed, dwreed@tamu.edu by the appropriate deadline.