

Office of the Provost

Members of the Faculty:

Thanks to everyone who participated in the application process for the Academic Revitalization & Innovation Fund. A total of forty-five proposals were received, all of which had merit. These applications show the dedication, creativity, and commitment of UNC's faculty to the spirit of innovation. The decision of which proposals to fund was made after consultation with members of the Academic Affairs Leadership Team and with careful consideration of likely scope of impact, and, of course, based on available resources.

The Office of the Provost is happy to announce that the following sixteen proposals were approved for funding, totaling over \$370,000.

Education & Behavioral Sciences

- James Gambrell, Teacher Education Paraprofessional Completers Program: Recruiting, Enrolling, and Supporting Paraprofessionals to Break the Teacher Shortage in K-12 Education
- Barbara Garrett, ASL & Interpreting Studies Revitalizing the ASL I-IV Series to Enhance Student Learning Outcomes, Enlarge Our National Footprint, and Increase Department Revenue
- Aimee Massafra, Special Education TSA Graduate Certification Program Revitalization
- **Deborah Romero**, Teacher Education *Pathways to Success for Undergraduate Teachers:*Recruitment, Retention, and Graduate Success through a Dual Degree (4+1) in Elementary Ed. with an MAT in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education

Humanities & Social Sciences

- **John Ryan**, World Languages & Cultures Faculty training and creation and promotion of a new 'Spanish for the Professions Certificate Program'
- Bailie Peterson, Philosophy Assessing the Benefits and Viability of an Applied Humanities B.A.
- **Kyle Nelson**, Sociology Planning and implementing annual HSS faculty visits to Colorado high school social studies classes
- Whitney Duncan, Anthropology Accelerated Anthropology BA and Master's of Public Health 4+1
 Degree Program
- **Harmony Newman**, Gender Studies & Sociology *Proposal to Develop Multidisciplinary Social Science Career-Readiness Undergraduate Certificates*

Natural & Health Sciences

- Oscar Levin, Mathematical Sciences Re-Tooling for Computer Science
- Christopher Harris, Mathematical Sciences Development of Courses for the New Computer Science Major
- Nathaniel Eldredge, Mathematical Sciences Statistics B.S. Development
- Jodie Novak, Mathematical Sciences Student Improvement of Learning Outcomes in Statistics (SILOS)

Performing & Visual Arts

- Socrates Garcia, Music New Latinx Music Degree Start-Up Costs
- **Donna Goodwin**, Art & Design Revitalization, Advancement and Implementation of Digital Media Content and Curriculum for the School of Art& Design, PVA

University Libraries

• **Stephanie Wiegand**, Scholarly Communication – A No-Cost Textbook Pathway through the Liberal Arts Core for UNC Students: Plan Development

Congratulations to the awardees and best wishes as they undertake their work in 2023!

The Office of the Provost is hopeful to support additional projects in future years.

Best Regards,

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