



Fall 2017

Faculty Professional Development Funding

The Faculty Professional Development (FPD) Committee is excited to inform you of many professional development opportunities and possible funding sources that may assist you in your ongoing professional development. Funding Sources for attending conferences and other off-campus professional development. Make sure to check the [FPD Blog](#) for upcoming conferences, news and other opportunities.

First, do you teach **under-served populations**, or courses that are **below transfer level**? If you do, please check out these funding sources for professional development:

Basic Skills has professional development funding available for instructors of basic skills courses. These include pre-transfer level math (Math 3, 7, 123, 127) and English (English 99 and 156) and all ESL courses. **Contact** Regina Voge at regina_voge@cuesta.edu for more information.

Student Equity has professional development funding available for instructors working with under-served populations that include veterans, individuals with disabilities, foster youth, Latino/Hispanic, low income, etc. **Contact** Que Dang at que_dang@cuesta.edu for more information.

Second, are you looking to attend a conference, workshop or course and you don't qualify in the First opportunity? Please **apply for Conference funding**:

Faculty Professional Development Funds. Through generous support from the Cuesta College Foundation and other faculty, the FPD Committee has \$8,500.00 to use for FPD in the 2017 / 2018 academic year. The FPD Committee has decided to award up to \$500 per applicant, dependent on availability of funds, to assist faculty in attending a conference. If there is funding remaining it will be awarded to applicants on a first come first serve basis.

Applications will be **accepted from October 2 (12 am) – October 3 (at 11 pm), 2017** and if the requests exceed the \$8,500 we will use a random lottery. Applicants will be notified of their request status on October 11, 2016.

To apply for these funds, please review the **funding process flow chart, complete (including signatures) your conference travel form, and the complete the faculty funding request form/checklist** located on the [Professional Development webpage](#). **Contact** FPD Committee at cuestapd@cuesta.edu for more information..

Third, If you do not qualify above or get approved for FPD funding, note to worry there are **additional sources to consider**:

Ask your Dean. The Deans have access to various pots of money (i.e. student equity, student support and success, CTEA, their own budgets, etc.) that they may be able to use to help fund your Professional Development. As the saying goes, it never hurts to ask. **Contact** Your Dean for more information.

Ask the VPAA. If your Dean is unable to help fund your Professional Development, ask the VPAA. Like your Dean, the VPAA has access to various pots of money that she may be able to use to help fund your Professional Development. Your Dean should be consulted first, then approach the VP. **Contact** VPAA Office for more information.

Dr. Stork's Motivational Fund. The Cuesta Foundation provides Dr. Stork with a discretionary fund that he can use to help support Cuesta Employees' Professional Development. **Contact** President's Office for more information.

Noncredit Faculty This year the Continuing Education & Special Programs has funding to support professional development through the Adult Ed Block Grant (AEGB) and Noncredit Student Support and Success Program Plan (3SP Plan). This could apply to any disciplines in noncredit. **Contact** Mia Ruiz at mruiz@cuesta.edu for more information.

