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## Summer Assessment Grants 2009

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This new grant program was developed in response to faculty requests for more support for assessment work. It provides funding for a limited number of program assessment activities during the summer of 2009.

### *Call for Proposals*

**Purpose:** The purpose of these grants is to support faculty work in assessment of student learning outcomes within academic programs.

**Award:** Grants will be awarded for up to \$1000 per project until funds are expended.

**Use of Funds:** Funds may be used for program assessment activities that otherwise could not be completed during the academic year. Possible uses include assessment planning activities (e.g., in a department retreat), purchase of assessment resources (e.g., books, software, etc.), stipends for evaluation of student work products (e.g., portfolios, capstone experiences, etc.), development of assessment methods (e.g., rubric, exam, survey, etc.), and analysis of assessment data.

**Eligibility:** Stipends will be awarded only to continuing full-time tenured/tenure-track or clinical faculty.

**Exclusions:** Funds may not be used for assessment work that is being funded by other sources.

**Grant Applications:** All applications should include the following:

1. Title of assessment project or activity.
2. Academic Department and Program.
3. Name(s) of faculty member(s) responsible for the proposed assessment work.
4. Description of project or activity, including action steps, timeline for completion, and an explanation of why this work must be completed in the summer months.
5. Statement of how the proposed assessment work fits into the program's overall assessment plan.
6. Budget for project.
7. How success of the proposed project or activity will be determined.
8. Statement of support from the department chair.

**Review Procedures:** Submit applications via email to Laura Massa, Director of Assessment, at [lmassa1@lmu.edu](mailto:lmassa1@lmu.edu). The University Assessment Committee will review all applications.

**Application Deadlines:** Applications will be accepted on a continuing basis until June 1, 2009, or until funds are expended.

**Grant Summary:** Programs awarded a grant will submit a grant summary by September 7, 2009 to Laura Massa, Director of Assessment, at [lmassa1@lmu.edu](mailto:lmassa1@lmu.edu). The grant summary must include:

- A summary of project or activity results.
- A reflection on the success of the proposed project or activity.

**Disbursement of Grant Funds:** Funds awarded for the purchase of goods and materials will be disbursed upon submission of receipts, or the goods and materials will be purchased for you upon request. Stipends will be disbursed upon submission of the grant summary.