2024-25 FACULTY AND STAFF
GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Name of Project/Program: _____   **Date:** _____

Applicant's Name: _____

GCC Position: _____   **Department:** _____

E-mail: _____   **Phone** _____

Please check which category best describes your project:

☐ **Arts & Culture**   ☐ **Athletics & Fitness**   ☐ **Career & Work Training**   ☐ **College Operations & Facilities**

☐ **Humanities/Social Sciences**   ☐ **Science & Technology**   ☐ **Other**

Amount requested: $ _____

Please attach a one- to two-page typed request that provides a comprehensive summary of your project/program and establishes the need. Please include the following:

- What do you propose to do?
- Who will be involved in the project/program?
- What are the benefits of this project/program to the students, college, and the community?
- How does this project/program support the College's Institutional Strategic Plan?
- Timeline for the project/program.
- How do you propose to use the funds requested? Please include specific budget information.
- Please list any other sources of funding you have applied for and include dollar amounts if already awarded.
- How will the Foundation's support be recognized?
- How do you plan to evaluate this project's success?
- If your project/program is successful, how will it inform your practice moving forward?
  Please email this completed and signed form along with your proposal to zjacobs@glendale.edu

Submission Deadline – Thursday, May 30, 2024 by 5:00 PM PST

Your signature indicates approval of this request to the Glendale College Foundation

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Applicant's signature

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Chair or Department Head Signature

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Print name of Chair or Department Head

Grant Review Committee comments and/or recommendations:

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This grant was denied/approved on _____   **The amount awarded is $** _____

1.What do you propose to do?

The Academic Senate would like to continue its Senate Innovation Grant (SIG), a competitive award to innovative faculty-driven projects that fulfill the mission of both the Academic Senate and Glendale Community College.   SIG has funded a variety of exciting projects in the past, including the Linguistic Equity in the California Community Colleges conference, the play "Paradise Blue," an important work spotlighting BIPOC stories, and printers and technology for the Sandbox laboratory in the San Rafael building. SIG provides funding of up to $2500 per project, and a $7500 funding amount from the Foundation would allow us to fully fund three or more faculty projects in the 2024-25 school year.

2. How does this request support the mission of the College?

According to Glendale's Mission Statement, "Glendale Community College exists to ensure students identify their educational goals and needs and successfully accomplish student learning." The Foundation will be hard-pressed to find another applicant that so consistently and effectively addresses that institutional purpose. SIG moves GCC towards its vision as "the Greater Los Angeles Region's premier learning community" offering "educational opportunities found in few community colleges."

3. Please list any other sources of funding you applied for and include dollar amounts if already awarded.

Not applicable.

4. If you would like to have your program review request (include ID code) forwarded to the Foundation for consideration, please check here:_____

Not applicable.

5. What are the benefits of this project to the students, college and the community?

You can find evidence of the Foundation's past generosity to this project across Glendale's campus and beyond it: You can find it in The Sandbox lab, located on the third floor of the San Rafael Building, which used SIG moneys to purchase touch monitors, 3-D printers, Raspberry Pi Kits, and other technologies so that Glendale's students can experiment and learn in a comfortable, welcoming environment. You can find it in the Math department workshops for adjunct faculty that allowed Math to embrace a new curriculum and pedagogy to better serve our students. And you can find it in the 2023 Student Research Symposium, where all GCC students had the opportunity to present their work to their peers, college, and community.

With your support, the Senate can continue to partner with creative faculty to deliver innovative, equity-minded projects to GCC and its staff, students, and neighbors.

6. How do you propose to use the funds requested? Include specific budget information. Please note: if the project involves an outside vendor, please attach 3 bids.

The funds requested would be awarded to select faculty after being reviewed by a Senate committee. For the 23-24 school year, there were 14 applicants, and 4 were able to be funded or partially funded by the Senate Innovation Grant. $2474 was awarded to Beth Kronbeck who will source video and audio recording materials for the new Social Sciences Division Learning Lab, so that students and faculty will be able to investigate issues in their communities through podcasts and video streaming. $1500 was awarded to Michelle Stonis & Reut Cohen Schorr, who will host a Pulitzer seminar to provide training in longform journalism and prepare students who want to apply for a fellowship with the Pulitzer Center. Dana Marterella received $2000 to arrange a panel or series of lectures by artists who are involved in political activism. Finally, $1525 was given to Gabriel Freiman and Barbara Falkowski, who will create a mentorship program in the physical sciences to provide students with access to tutors specializing in physics and astronomy.

7. Timeline for the project.

The Senate Innovation Grant will be announced at the faculty meeting in October of fall 2024, applications will be due in November, and the faculty winners will be selected and awarded in December. The faculty then have the spring semester, and sometimes the summer and fall as well, to use SIG funds to complete their project. Additionally, the awardees will be asked to present their work to their colleagues at the October 2025 faculty meeting.

8. How will the Foundation's award be recognized?
The Foundation has been and will continue to be recognized whenever the SIG is publicized and awarded.

GCC's Academic Senate thanks the Foundation for its consistent and unwavering support in the past. Years ago, the Foundation stepped in when the state of California withdrew funding for faculty projects, and the Foundation's annual $7500 gift to the Senate has ensured that SIG's important and creative projects continue through today. SIG receives no other funding to keep this important GCC tradition alive.

9. How do you plan to evaluate this project's success?

There are several metrics by which we evaluate the success of the Senate Innovation Grant and revise it for the future. One of these metrics is the number of applications we receive, and for the 22-23 school year, our publicity efforts saw the applications increase by almost 30%. We have maintained that level of engagement in 23-24. The most important metric is the return on investment, and evidence of this can be clearly seen on Glendale's campus: from plays, lecture series, and conferences, to 3-D printers, inclusive art models, and world musical instruments. Each of these projects only went forward because of SIG.

The application for SIG was revised and expanded in 22-23 to include a focus on DEIA as well as a detailed breakdown of the budget for the project, and both of these changes contributed to a more effective grant that fulfills the college's core values.