

UCalgary Teaching and Learning Grants D&I APPLICATION RUBRIC

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Specific comments	

2. Describe how your project aligns with the strategic area(s) of focus you indicated in Section A (10 points; 250 words)

UCalgary is committed to supporting scholarship in these key areas of focus. How will your project strengthen one or more of these priorities?

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Specific comments	

3. Identify the development or innovation in teaching and learning that you will pursue through your project, and the specific goals, opportunities and/or challenges you hope to address. Demonstrate how existing pedagogical scholarship informs this work, and explain how your work is situated within the field. (10 points, 1000 words)

What is the novel approach you will develop through this work? What goals, opportunities and/or challenges will you address through this teaching and learning development or innovation? How will you use this approach to improve teaching and/or student learning?

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10	Provides a clear and detailed description of the development or innovation and the goal/opportunity/challenge to be addressed. Explicitly describes how this development or innovation is expected to improve student learning.
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<i>Specific comments</i>	

4. Identify the activities you will undertake for your project and clearly describe how they align with, and contribute to, the development or innovation in teaching and learning you identified above. (10 points, 1000 words)

Specify the innovation you will create and how you will use it to support learning.

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10	Provides a clear and detailed description of the activities that will be undertaken to support the development or innovation. Activities described are relevant, appropriate and achievable.
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Specific
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5. Describe how you will engage students in your project, including their roles and activities and how you will recognize their contributions (10 points, 250 words)
Scholarship is strengthened by the inclusion of all relevant perspectives, particularly those of learners, at the center of teaching and learning experiences. How will you include these perspectives in your project?

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6. Describe the impact your project will have on improving teaching and student learning, and link this impact back to the goals, opportunities and/or challenges, and context you described above. Explain how your work will benefit others; how you will share your findings locally and beyond, and how these impacts will be sustained beyond the funding period for the project (10 points, 500 words)
What would successful completion of your project look like: how would it impact the goals, opportunities and/or challenges and the context you've described above? How will teaching and learning at the University of Calgary—other courses, educators, and contexts—benefit from your project's activities, instruments, or findings?

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7. How have you included consideration of principles of equity, diversity and inclusion in the design and execution of your project? (10 points, 250 words)
Incorporation of best practices in equity, diversity, and inclusion strengthen communities, and have been shown to improve the quality, social relevance and impact of scholarship and practice. How will you strengthen your work by following these principles?

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3. Identify the overarching question about teaching and/or student learning that you will pursue through your project. Demonstrate how existing pedagogical scholarship informs this work, and explain how your work is situated within the field. (10 points, 1000 words)
What is the question or goal about teaching and/or student learning you will pursue through this project, and how will the project help to better understand or improve this teaching and student learning?

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4. Identify the scholarly activities you will undertake for your project and clearly describe how they align with, and support, answering the question you identified above. (10 points, 1000 words)
Specify the innovations or interventions you will use, the kinds of evidence and/or information to be gathered or generated, how they will be gathered or generated, and the methods or approaches you will use to analyze the evidence gathered or generated.

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