

COS TIP Workshop

2/2/18

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General TIP Information

- Teaching Incentive Program
 - Recognizes teaching productivity and excellence
- Resources:
 - UCF Faculty Excellence website: (schedule, application contents, etc.)
 - <https://facultyexcellence.ucf.edu/recognition/teaching-incentive-program/>
 - COS Faculty Affairs website:(past workshops, bookmarks, combine PDFs, etc.)
 - <https://sciences.ucf.edu/facultyaffairs/awards/teaching-incentive-program/>
- For 2018-19 COS may award up to 14 TIP awards
- Approximately 50 people have stated intent to apply
- Electronic application system open 2/1
- Application deadline 2/15, 11:59pm
- You must inform Zack that you intend to apply

Application Contents

<https://facultyexcellence.ucf.edu/files/2018/07/UCF-TIP-Procedures-2018-19.pdf>

- More concise application than in previous years
- **Application Sections: Text Boxes**
 - **Teaching and Learning Philosophy Statement**: (500 words)
 - Text box with highest word count. It may be the best place utilize space
 - Your philosophies, how you implement them, effectiveness/impact
 - **Summary of Instructional Activities**: (300 words)
 - Talk about activities and why they are important
 - **Impact of Instruction, Including Evidence of Student Learning**: (300 words)
 - Demonstrate impact. Learning gains.

The three text boxes are probably the most important part of the application. They are the first thing that the committee members will read. Provide what is expected in each box but also use them to make your case.

Application (2)

- **Application Sections: Attachments**
 - **Current Curriculum Vitae**
 - Tailor your CV for the award
 - This is the one section that doesn't have any restrictions
 - **Annual Assignments**
 - AA-46 form (FTE in research, teaching, service)
 - Single PDF, last 4 years in descending order (2017-18 through 2014-15)
 - Include cover page with summary table and any needed explanation
 - Some units provide an AA-46 every semester some do it once per year
 - Ask your department HR person if you need copies
 - **Annual Evaluations**
 - AA-17 form (yearly chair eval. Rating teaching, research, service)
 - Same instructions as above for annual assignments
 - Include the whole document. You do not need to redact anything

Application (3)

- **Application Sections: Attachments**
 - **Course Assignments**
 - List of all courses taught 2017-18 through 2014-15
 - Can access through Pegasus Mine Portal (Faculty Courses or TIP Report)
 - <https://ikm.ucf.edu/> > Pegasus Mine Portal > log in > Faculty
 - May want to make your own table (perhaps also include official printout)
 - **Student Evaluations (SPIs)**
 - Include 1-2 page summary with table and any needed explanation
 - Single PDF, summaries of each course last 4 years in descending order (2017-18 through 2014-15)
 - Comments optional, but if you want to include comments for a course section include all comments for that course section.
 - Ask your department HR person if you need copies

Application (4)

- **Application Sections: Attachments**
 - **Supporting Materials (Max 3 attachments)**
 - Examples should be from the last 4 years
 - Should provide evidence for things you have stated in the application
 - Examples (syllabi, teaching tools, documentation of awards/recognition, evidence of student learning/gains, etc.)
 - Can combine like items and include as a single attachment (strategically)
 - Can include a cover page explaining what is in the attachment and it's importance
 - For longer documents utilize bookmarks, table of contents, links, etc.

Tips on TIPS

General Advice

- Follow the guidelines/criteria (word counts, timeframe, section contents)
- Put yourself in the committee members' shoes
- What sets you apart? Find your niche. Focus on strengths/advantages
- Contextualization/Presentation
 - Clear, concise, organized, readable / convenient visuals / provide explanation
- Cross discipline appeal/understanding
- What have you done to improve teaching and/or student learning
- Provide evidence
- Explain impact
- Learn from not winning / use feedback
- Project your enthusiasm for teaching
- Utilize colleagues – 2nd set of eyes / past winners / former committee members
- Always be thinking about it – Keep a file update it continuously

Positive Committee Feedback

- Advising/Mentoring/Supervision (students/faculty) (34)
- Strong evaluations (relative to discipline/course/etc.) (26)
- Publishing/Presenting/Collaborating with students (22)
- Course/Program/Curriculum – Development/Revision (20)
- Efforts to improve teaching (attend/implement) (20)
- Impact on student success (recognitions/awards/learning) (15)
- Grad/UG coordinator, program director, etc. (13)
- Innovative/Diverse teaching methods/techniques/assignments (13)
- Teaching/Education Research (Grants/Publications) (11)
- Development/Leadership related to Teaching Materials or Education Programs (10)
- Strong Supporting Materials (10)
- Outreach (K-12 work, etc.) (9)
- Outside of classroom activities (club advising, etc.) (5)
- Strong student support (SPIs, letters, etc.) (5)
- Strong Narrative sections (text boxes) (4)
- Recognition and Awards (4)
- Involvement in experiential/service learning activities (3)
- Well Organized/Presented (3)
- Good contextualization of evals or other materials (1)

*Numbers in parenthesis indicate how many times the topic was mentioned among feedback of folders in the past cycles. (2017-18)

Constructive Feedback

- Stronger evidence of efforts to improve teaching (attend/implement) (23)
- More effective use of application materials (provide evidence, context, etc. (21)
- Better organization/presentation (whole file or specific section) (19)
- More evidence of impact on student success (learning/recognition) (16)
- Stronger student evaluations (and/or better contextualization) (11)
- Stronger case for exceptionality of record and/or why award is deserved (8)
- Greater focus on teaching (traditional vs. mentoring etc.) (3)
- Contextualization of Chair evaluations (2)
- Full/Better use of text box sections (2)
- Greater evidence of activities/contributions outside of the formal classroom (2)
- More time for the record to mature (2)
- Clearer focus on the years of the award period (1)

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Electronic System Navigation

Applicant Training Manual

https://facultyexcellence.ucf.edu/files/2018/12/TIP_Candidate_Training-Manual-REV-12-13-18-.pdf

System opens 2/1/19

Recommended that you log in and at least start your dossier well before the 2/15 deadline to ensure that you are loaded into to the system and that you don't encounter any technical issues.



Questions?

