Welcome to the latest in a series of periodic publications from the Office of Grants Development. The goal of this newsletter is to provide information to faculty and staff about the grants process at the College and to disseminate announcements of grant awards. If you have any suggestions about topics to include or would like answers to specific questions, please contact Deborah Rosen, director of grants and special projects, at drosen@nvcc.edu.

NOVA Awarded $1,000,000 through Bellevue College, WA

In addition to the $12,000,000 grant award in October from the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), NOVA is the recipient of $1,000,000 in additional DOL funding that will flow through Bellevue College in Washington State. BC is leading a nine-college Health e-Workforce Consortium to leverage two significant recent federal investments in community college Health IT, amplifying and extending both, and will provide a technology-intensive infrastructure for community college Health IT program development across the nation. In addition to funding the development of various certificate programs and apprenticeships throughout the nation, this latest grant will be used to train 2,093 veterans, Trade Adjustment Assistance-eligible individuals, and others in high-demand, high-wage Health IT and Allied Health professions. The NOVA portion of this grant will be carried out at the MEC under Project Director, David Falkenstein. Provost Brian Foley was instrumental in developing and expanding the relationship with Bellevue College.

NOVA to Receive Department of Education Funding in Cooperation with Virginia Commonwealth University

Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) and NOVA will increase, through VCU’s undergraduate major in Liberal Studies for Early and Elementary Education (LSEEE), the number of students preparing endorsements in history and social science. Qualified NOVA students will be recruited to take VCU advanced French courses to be transferred back to their NOVA transcript. These hybrid courses will be delivered with a significant online component while the student is still at NOVA. Heritage learners (from West Africa, North Africa, Caribbean) who take VCU French courses at NOVA will also complete a new methods course in French for elementary schools after transferring to VCU. All LSEEE students will expand cultural knowledge of French West Africa by taking courses revised or developed for this project. Dr. Laura Franklin, AL, French, will be the project director.

Dr. Margaret Leary Continues with Cyberwatch Project

NOVA will receive $76,330 from a National Science Foundation ATE grant administered by Prince George’s Community College to continue a program titled, “Cyberwatch: Cybersecurity Education Solutions for the Nation.” Congratulations to Dr. Margaret Leary, AL, for your long-term tenure on this project.

Four NOVA Faculty Members are Awarded Chancellor’s Innovation Fund Grants

Thanks to all those who submitted applications for The VCCS Chancellor’s Innovation Fund (CIF) Grant. Four faculty members at NOVA were se-
lected for this prestigious award in November. In total, thirty-two proposals were submitted involving projects at 19 colleges throughout Virginia this grant round. The CIF grant program provides colleges with an opportunity to receive funding for innovative projects aligned with Achieve 2015, particularly those that support the goals of access and student success.

Staff and Faculty members and their projects are: Joan Osborne, $25,428.27, Topics in Online Teaching and Learning 2.0
William Preston Davis, $20,000, OER Based General Education Certificate Program
Susannah Givens, $6,100, Developmental English Faculty Tutoring (DEFT)
Wayne Barbour, $5,500, Enhancing Veterans’ Success through Facilitated Integration and Involvement

Congratulations to all!

National Science Foundation Proposals

NOVA faculty and staff have been busy preparing, with support from the Office of Grants Development, a number of proposals that, if funded, would advance the reputation of the institution and build capacity for our students and faculty. Dr. Abbas Eftekhari (AN) Dean of Math, Science, and Engineering, working with Acting Dean of Students, Dr. Ellen Fancher-Ruiz (AN), and Professor Martin Bredeck, Mathematics (AN), have developed a comprehensive approach for advising and channeling STEM students into academic and career paths that will lead to baccalaureate credentials. This Student Engagement Activity and Mentoring (SEAM) initiative will be led by George Mason University. Deborah Rosen and Rob Henderson of the Office of Grants have worked closely with the combined NOVA-GMU team to develop this proposal.

Dr. Margaret Leary, Professor of Information Technology, and Mr. George Hinckley, Adjunct Professor of Information Technology, are working closely with the Marine Corps Quantico and CyberWatch to map curricula for cybersecurity credentials that will be recognized by employers and institutions of higher education across the country. This NSF Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC) initiative will help establish national standards for certifications, standardize training to meet industry and government requirements, and expand the number of qualified cybersecurity specialists available in Northern Virginia. Susi Mattheisen and Rob Henderson of the Office of Grants provided the grant writing technical assistance to help NOVA’s subject matter experts deliver the best possible proposal for the College.

Fellowship Opportunity for Artists in Fairfax County

The Arts Council is pleased to announce the Strauss Fellowships for individual artists. These grants recognize professional working artists’ achievements and their demonstrated history of accomplishments; they promote artists’ continued pursuit of their creative work. Artists in all disciplines, including visual arts, creative writing, theatre, dance performance and choreography, film and new media, music composition and performance are eligible to apply. Applicants must reside in Fairfax County. Awards range from $1,000 - $5,000, and in previous years, up to eleven fellowships have been awarded. Guidelines and application materials are available online at www.artsfairfax.org. The application deadline is January 16, 2013.

Upcoming VCCS Professional Grants Deadline

Grants are available for faculty at Virginia colleges who wish to undertake an activity in such areas as discipline, instructional, career, and organizational development. The next deadline for this grant program, offered three times per year, is February 15 for activities taking place during the 2013 Summer Semester. Faculty may apply individually or collaboratively for time and expenses. Summer funding is a flat $2500. See details on the VCCS Professional Development Grants page. If you are interested in applying, please contact Deborah Rosen. All applications MUST be reviewed by the Office of Grants and Special Projects.

We wish all faculty and staff and their families a peaceful holiday break and a Happy New Year.

For more information on any of the programs mentioned above please contact Deborah Rosen at drosen@nvcc.edu.