

<b>Purpose</b>	<p>Encourages faculty in establishing and maintaining programs of research, scholarly, and/or creative activity. Projects should display potential for having a significant impact on one's field or chart a new trajectory in one's scholarly, creative or artistic development.</p> <p>Seeks to support works of scholarship or creative activity that develops innovative and transformative ideas to the point where they can successfully garner new external funding.</p> <p>Catalyst funding may be paired with a faculty course reassignment request or a pre-tenure supplement.</p>
<b>Eligibility</b>	<p>Tenured or tenure-track faculty members on continuing appointment are eligible and only one proposal per review cycle.</p>
<b>Funding Limitations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Up to a maximum level of \$5000.</li><li>• Supports student help, supplies, necessary travel for data collection, and other costs of projects.</li><li>• Faculty salaries and dissemination costs are excluded.</li><li>• The duration of the grant is two years (extensions allowed in extenuating circumstances).</li></ul>
<b>Funding Cycles and Deadlines</b>	<p>There will be two submission cycles per year with deadlines at the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on October 1st and March 1st of each year.</p> <p>Apply online through "My Apps" (<a href="http://www.gvsu.edu/csce/grants">www.gvsu.edu/csce/grants</a>).</p>
<b>Review Process</b>	<p>Catalyst Grant proposals are awarded by a competitive review process. Proposals are reviewed by a committee composed of faculty from several disciplines, and therefore MUST be written to be understood by members of these multi-disciplinary review committees, i.e., an educated lay audience, rather than by narrow specialists in your field.</p> <p>Criteria used in evaluating proposals include: project justification, significance of project, appropriateness of project design and methods, qualifications of the applicant for implementing the project, probability of achieving project objectives, and appropriateness of the schedule for project activities, if applicable. All of these criteria must be judged in terms of the likelihood that the project will result in recognition for the faculty member, his or her department, and the University.</p>