

FAQ

Why was the Faculty Course Reassignment for Research and Creative Expression Program started?

When prompted for the most significant factor that hinders faculty from completing scholarly activities, faculty feedback has consistently indicated that “time” would help them the most with their projects. Therefore, funds that would support the one course reassigned time will hopefully provide critical support in enhancing faculty scholarship. In addition, while more faculty are working under 12 month contracts, this Program should allow for the eligibility of almost all tenured and tenure-track faculty.

Do I need to submit a separate proposal for the Faculty Course Reassignment Program?

No. If you are submitting a Catalyst Grant for Research and Creativity, then you will just have to select the appropriate box on the application form, specify the semester or academic session for that reassignment, and provide justification on the supplied page.

Do I need to report the reassigned time on the Faculty Activity Report?

Yes. The extra time for the proposed project is accountable by normal University standards.

Is the funding level a variable amount?

No. The department will be compensated with \$3000 for every awarded Faculty Course Reassignment.

If the unit head is not supportive of the Faculty Course Reassignment proposal, is it still possible to obtain?

No. The applicant's department is directly involved in the process, and therefore must be completely supportive.

With my normal appointment being a 9-month schedule, can I apply for a one course reassignment in the summer?

No. The course reassignment time must occur during the faculty member's normal appointment.

If my Faculty Course Reassignment proposal is denied, can I still be awarded a Catalyst Grant?

Possibly. If your proposal was recommended for funding due to its merit, but the course reassignment was denied due to lack of College support or if the R&D committee did not feel that you adequately justified your need for time, then you still could be awarded the Catalyst Grant.