Brown Innovation Fellow Program Announcement

Stetson's Provost and the Brown Center for Faculty Innovation and Excellence are pleased to announce the inaugural 'Brown Innovation Fellow' program. This year's program is designed to foster innovative teaching in introductory courses at Stetson across a variety of disciplines. Faculty selected for this award will participate in a summer 2014 faculty development workshop and campus-wide 'Brown Innovation Fellow Day' in spring 2015. During the summer workshop, select teams of 2-3 faculty members who teach the same large introductory course will collaborate to revise a course (or significant course component) using learner-centered pedagogies. Their efforts will be shared with the campus community on the 'Brown Innovation Fellow Day'.

Program Goals:

- Develop campus expertise in learner-centered pedagogies, particularly in courses with potential to positively impact retention
- Train faculty in use of SCALE-UP classroom and learning technologies
- Provide faculty with complete teachable unit and significant progress towards a complete course revision upon completion of workshop
- Educate campus community in course revisions and learner-centered pedagogy with 'Brown Innovation Fellow' day

Application Process:

Faculty teams must submit a collaborative proposal that includes a current course syllabus and a 1-2 page project description and a letter of support from the Department Chair (?). Each team member should submit *separately* a current curriculum vita and brief teaching philosophy and description of their own goals for the workshop. All faculty are encouraged to apply, but introductory courses with high enrollment are preferred. Application materials are due April 18th, 2014 and selected fellows will be notified by April 30th, 2014.

Requirements for Award:

- Participants must be available for <u>all</u> workshop dates in summer 2014
- Participants must read all information in course packet and complete all pre-assigned reading and homework
- Must participate in "Brown Innovation Fellow' day in spring 2015

Benefits to Participants:

- \$500 stipend, 50% paid upon completion of workshop, teachable unit, and revised syllabus, and 50% paid upon completion of course and participation in 'Brown Innovation Fellow' day
- Significant progress towards course revision