



## Examples of Previously Funded Margins of Excellence Grants

### **Art**

2015-16: Fantasy Art Collector Program Development – piloted in a spring course as part of a “gamification” pedagogy to increase student engagement and individual ownership of course material. (\$5000)

### **Business**

2013-14: Software to help accounting faculty improve students’ learning experience. (\$1450)

### **Communication/Media**

2015-16: Covered airline expenses for the SMC Debate Team to travel to Washington, D.C. to compete in the National Debate Team Tournament.

2014-15: Equipment for “green screen” lighting/digital effects for film production classes. (\$4345)

### **Counseling**

2010-11: Partnership with Grant Elementary School to benefit future SMC students by helping local elementary school children and their families. (\$1300)

2011-12: Grant allowed 5<sup>th</sup> grade Grant Elementary students to attend two specifically designed SMC classes as well as a musical theater performance. (\$1300)

### **CTE**

2014-15: Faculty Summer Institute (FSI) working lunches during which faculty learn about campus wide initiatives and services available to their students. This type of training is not currently provided and helps improve knowledge and a sense of community. (\$5000)

### **Dance**

Funding to update outdated department outreach materials to allow for increased accessibility to students with disabilities and course offerings and also to accurately represent the quality of students, curriculum and faculty. (\$4300)

### **Disabled Student Services**

2009-10: Technology for disabled students to provided them with a better academic experience. (\$1961)

### **Earth Science**

2013-14: Purchase of an electroluminescent panel to enable more accurate calibration of electronic images for a research project on light pollution in collaboration with the National Park Service. (\$1686)



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### **Fashion**

2011-12: Replacement of old sewing machines to allow student to have access to high quality equipment equal to that used by apparel manufacturing companies. (\$4999)

### **Health Science**

2011-12: Mobil computing card & laptop to allow students to practice administering medications using an electronic health record. (\$5000)

### **History**

2015-16: Equipment purchased to strengthen the Oral History Internship. (\$4916)

### **Kinesiology/Athletics**

2013-14: 2 day seminar on recruiting conducted by Tudor Athletic Recruiting Strategies to give coaches the opportunity to learn how to be better recruiters. (\$5000)

### **Life & Physical Sciences**

2015-16: A multi-year study involving students in primary research that contributes to the advancement in the field of ecology, evolutionary biology and environmental sciences. (\$5000)

2015-16: Provided Anatomy class sections with new arm and leg models, replacing the 30-year-old models.

2014-15: Allowed students and a life science professor the ability collaborate on research on the effects of global warming and ocean acidification on coral reef systems. Additionally, students were able to attend conferences where relevant data is presented in a scientific forum. (\$1300)

2013-14: Grant for an instructor and 2 students to conduct research at the Kawaii Institute of Marine Biology in Coconut Island. (\$5000)

2010-11: Incorporating Sustainability Labs into Chemistry Lab to teach students to assume responsibility for their own footprint by living a more sustainable life. (\$4000)

2012-13: Software for creating of interactive distance education coursework and interactive programs. (\$3,357)

### **Mathematics**

2015-16: Targeted Professional development for basic skills math faculty (\$750)

### **Psychology**

2012-13: Support program in research apprenticeship in psychological science. (\$4915)

### **Modern Languages**



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2006-07: Software for online language classes to enhance distance education. (\$5000)

### **Theater Arts**

2011-12: Purchase of LED lighting fixtures to give students real hand-on experience with their installation and operation as well as with the design capabilities they offer. (\$4971)

### **Zoology**

2012-13: Purchase of cloned animal skulls to enhance the osteological teaching collection. (\$5000)