

The Frymoyer Scholars Program

Call for Proposals 2024

Supported Activities

Individuals selected as Frymoyer Scholars are awarded up to \$25,000 a year for two years to develop innovative educational products or programs and/or to improve their teaching skills and in turn the relationship between physicians and nurses and patients and their families. These funds should be used to complete a project or take courses in faculty development that might not otherwise be done due to lack of funding. The number of recipients will vary each year based on available funds. Monies may be distributed among the costs of salary support and resources to accomplish the proposed project.

For example, activities eligible for support may include:

- Development of curriculum innovations
- Improvement of one's contribution or teaching skills to clinical care
- Creation of programs that demonstrate to students, faculty or community members how to teach outstanding patient care
- Financial support for attending national professional meetings and courses dedicated to clinical teaching

Eligibility

Physicians and nurses actively engaged in clinical patient care and educating University of Vermont medical or nursing students, and others in postgraduate training (e.g., residents and graduate students) in the context of that patient care are eligible to be designated as Frymoyer Scholars. At least one of the investigators must have a UVM faculty appointment.

Components of the Proposal

Applicants for the Frymoyer Scholars Program should submit the following:

1. **Application Cover Page** with contact information for the Principal Investigator and any co-investigators.
2. **One-page Statement of Intent** including: why you are interested in applying, details of your commitment to patient and family-centered care and education, and your qualifications specific to your proposal.
3. **Two-page Description** of your proposed project or use of the funds. Please use the Checklist for Two-page Description.
4. A detailed **Budget** for salary support and project resources. Please use the Budget Template.
5. **Curriculum Vitae** for each investigator.
6. **Letter of Support**. Each investigator must provide one letter of support from your division chief, chair, or supervisor confirming qualifications and support to undertake your proposed project. Include letters of support from other relevant entities that will be involved in the completion of your proposed project (e.g., IT/tech services, community partners, Simulation Lab, stewards of physical spaces).

Visit <https://www.med.uvm.edu/teachingacademy/newsletters/frymoyer-scholars-program-application> for the **Frymoyer Scholars Program Application Packet**.

Please use the **Frymoyer Scholars Program Toolkit** to help you complete your application:
<https://www.med.uvm.edu/teachingacademy/newsletters/frymoyer-scholars-program-toolkit>

Submission and Timetable

Proposals should be submitted on or before **March 1, 2024** via email to:

Teaching.academy@med.uvm.edu

Subject: Proposal for the Frymoyer Scholars Committee

The entire proposal, including application cover page, statement of intent, project description, budget, CV, and letters of support **MUST be submitted as a single PDF document**. Proposals that do not meet this requirement will NOT be reviewed.

Awards will be announced no later than April 26, 2024.

Grant-supported activities may commence any time after June 30, 2024.

Selection Criteria

The Frymoyer Scholars Committee will make awards based upon:

- Quality of the proposal.
- Strength of the proposal's contribution to improvement of the relationship between physicians and nurses and patients and their families.
- Evidence of commitment to clinical education, commitment to project and support of department/division/program.
- Priority is typically given to proposals describing new initiatives.

The Selection Criteria Rubric can be found at

<https://www.med.uvm.edu/teachingacademy/newsletters/frymoyer-scholars-program-application>

Evaluation and monitoring

Frymoyer Scholars will be required to submit annual progress and expenditure reports in March of the first year to receive second year funding. Projects will be evaluated annually by members of the Frymoyer Scholars Committee. Submission of a brief Final Report is required at the end of the second year, to close the awarded project budget. Scholars will be invited to discuss their projects and may be asked to report on their progress or findings to the Larner College of Medicine, College of Nursing and Health Sciences, or UVM Health Network.

Questions about proposals or requests for further assistance should be directed to:

The Teaching Academy: Teaching.academy@med.uvm.edu