Information Session on FORWARD Grants and Awards October 5th, 2011

Attendance

- Six individuals attended and six completed evaluations.
 - o All six attendees were faculty.

Questions from the Audience

General Questions

- Does the department chair make the decision around the grant and when it gets dispersed?
- Is this the last year to apply for FORWARD funds?
- Is there any chance FORWARD will get another 5 years after this?

Mentor Relationship Travel Grant

- Does this grant happen only once in non-tenure?
- Is there a report at the end of the funding year to prove you went/had the relationship?

Course Release Grant

• Can you receive the Course Release Grant more than one year?

Leap Grant

- As an associate professor, can I apply in my second year for this grant?
- Does the PI have to be in STEM? I don't know if I qualify because my department isn't exactly STEM.

Leadership Development Grant:

• There's no point in going to the panel (Nov. 1st panel for this grant) for those who aren't tenure, right?

Leap Lab Renovation Grant:

• How are we supposed to know how much our expenditure would be/how much money we might need?

Quantitative Results from the Evaluation Form

The materials for this information session were helpful.

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Agree	2	33.3	33.3
	Strongly Agree	4	66.7	100.0
	Total	6	100.0	

The presentation was clear and well-organized.

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Agree	1	16.7	16.7
	Strongly Agree	5	83.3	100.0
	Total	6	100.0	
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I feel I have acquired new information or understanding about FORWARD grants and awards.

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Agree	2	33.3	33.3
	Strongly Agree	4	66.7	100.0
	Total	6	100.0	

I would recommend this information session to others.

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Agree	2	33.3	33.3
	Strongly Agree	4	66.7	100.0
	Total	6	100.0	

How would you rate the overall quality of this session?

		Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Average	4	17.4	17.4
	Above Average	11	47.8	65.2
	Excellent	8	34.8	100.0
	Total	23	100.0	

Qualitative Results from the Evaluation Form

- 1. What questions do you still have about the FORWARD grant programs after attending this session? Please list any areas that you would like to receive additional information about or that need further clarification.
 - No responses
- 2. What do you think were the most helpful or valuable aspects of this session?
 - It was very well organized and clear. I like how this information is also on the website.
 - Priority scoring. Clarification re: what makes a good proposal.
 - Explanation of priority scores.
 - Clarification about how many times one can apply/priorities for funding, etc.
- 3. How could this information session be improved to be more beneficial to you? What recommendations do you have for future sessions?
 - Techniques for non-STEM women faculty to seek partnerships of research collaborations with STEM women to increase chances of getting traditionally STEM focused grants.