

ACADEMIC INNOVATION PILOT PROJECTS (FORM 2)

For projects new to a program or to Dalhousie as a whole, which are supported by the literature as leading student engagement



A. FUNDING APPLICATION

Project title:

Which [strategic priorities](#) does this initiative support?

- 1.1 Increase retention and degree completion.
- 1.2 Focus on strategic student recruitment based on discipline, level and diversity.
- 1.5 Foster and support innovation in program development and excellence in teaching and pedagogy.
- 2.4 Foster undergraduate research.
- 3.1 Contribute to cultural and economic vitality, locally and globally, by fostering creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship.
- 5.2 Foster a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness.

Which direct-entry undergraduate program(s) does your initiative impact?

Team lead (identify only one team lead)

Name:

Title:

Phone Number:

Email:

Other team members (list name and position):

Faculties/Departments/Units involved in project:

Funding request (maximum \$10K) to be spent within a 12-24 month period: \$

PLEASE NOTE: If several applications are submitted from a single Faculty, the Dean will be asked to rank them.

B. PROPOSAL CHECKLIST

Please append a detailed proposal ensuring that the following points are addressed (*written proposal not to exceed 4 pages*).

What are your specific objectives with this initiative (e.g., to test a new pedagogy, to introduce an interdisciplinary or experiential learning module, etc.)?

Describe your planned academic initiative. Please be clear and precise.

How will students benefit?

How many students will be impacted per year?

How do you plan to test the effectiveness of your suggested initiative?

What evaluation metric(s) will you use (e.g., achievement of specific learning outcomes, improved student success in course, etc.)?

In what ways is your initiative innovative?

Please provide a proposed timeline for planning and implementation of your initiative. Include details of any fiscal support already approved by your unit.

If your project is successful, what future scale-up plans do you have?

How do you plan to report within Dalhousie on the results of your initiative?

Explain any plans for the innovation to be delivered by more than one faculty member.

Explain the level of experiential learning (if any) in the proposed innovation.

Attach a budget in Excel.

C. ABSTRACT (*not to exceed 200 words*)

D. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

As Team Lead, I submit the following application. I agree that the innovation project will be completed with the focus as submitted, and commit to providing a mid-term and final report on the innovation, including evaluation.

Date:

Signature:

By typing your name here, you are signing this application electronically.

E. DEAN’S COMMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

How does this initiative fit within your Faculty’s Academic Program Plan (existing or emerging)?

Dean’s Response:

Date:

Dean’s Signature:

By typing your name here, you are signing this application electronically.

**Applications are to be submitted by the Dean’s Office as confirmation of approval of the application.
Please submit electronically to aif@dal.ca.**

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Application Complete		Application Ranked by Dean (if applicable)	
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ASSESSMENT CRITERIA:

Criterion	Possible Score	Score
The number of students impacted and their level of study.	25	
The fit with the unit’s Academic Program Plan.	20	
Potential for pilot to be scaled, if successful.	20	
The fit with the listed Strategic Priorities.	15	
Evaluation and knowledge mobilization plan.	10	
Budget justification.	10	
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