

Call for Plato Royalty Grant Proposals for 2008/09
(Proposals due February 6, 2009)

The Plato Royalty Royalties Committee is pleased to announce a grant opportunity for faculty and academic staff. An amount of up to \$10,000 will be available for the 2008/09 academic year. Proposals for use of the funds within the guidelines below are invited.

GRANT FOCUS: The Plato Royalty Grants will focus on supporting projects that strengthen and enhance curriculum incorporating the use of computer technology. Awards are for computing technology (hardware and software) and/or for developing cutting edge applications of computing technology. All equipment and software belong to the college and will remain in the program support area. Assistance is available from academic computing support staff for development of grant requests and cost estimates. The Plato Royalties Committee will meet to determine awards and Academic Computing will administer the grants program. The principal investigators agree to present a status report at the October faculty meeting, and the results of their work to the committee and general community in an open meeting during the following winter.

GRANT PROPOSAL: This should be delivered to Ken Tabbutt (Library 2002) by 5pm on February 6, 2009. The application package must include the signed unbound grant request, which addresses each of the following questions (Please indicate the question and your response in the order listed below.):

1. What do you want to do? What will you need?
2. What is the expected impact of the project? Who will it affect; how many students and faculty will be involved; what will students achieve? Specify the exact role that each staff or faculty member on the grant application will have in the work associated with the proposal. If the project is successful, what future students and programs could make use of this innovation?
3. How will this proposal strengthen and enhance Evergreen's curricula?
4. How will this experiment demonstrate educational innovation? (How is this proposal bold, innovative, cutting-edge, and/or too risky to be funded through other channels?)
5. Why should this be done with computing equipment? What alternatives were considered?
6. How will you carry this project out? What special skills will you require to carry out the proposal and how will you develop these skills?
7. What is required for this project to be successful?
8. What is the cost? Is there any matching funding (excluding program budgets)? What equipment comparisons have been made? How is this equipment justified? Is the software cost a one-time or is there an annual cost for use? Are there expectations for continued maintenance of the hardware and software?
9. How will you share your work?

In determining funding the following will be considered:

1. ability of the investigators to carry out the project
2. significance of the project in applying innovative technology to the curriculum
3. likelihood of success
4. number of faculty and students who will benefit from the proposed hardware/software
5. enhancements that normally are not funded by the state
6. indication of matching funds
7. coincidence of the proposal with Evergreen's goals and long range plans
8. the availability of support services