

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

2012-13 BLUGOLD COMMITMENT DIFFERENTIAL TUITION PROGRAM

The Office of the Provost solicits proposals for **one-time funding** during 2012-13. The proposal process will not award funds for new base-funding commitments or for multiple-year funding. Individuals planning to submit multiple-year proposals should plan to do so a year from now in fall 2012, for 2013-14 allocations.

The fall 2011 proposal process will determine one-time funding allocations for 2012-13, and will fund projects that:

1. can be completed successfully with one-time funding; or
2. serve as one-time pre-proposals to assist in developing multiple-year proposals for the fall 2012 proposal process.

Proposers may request to receive funding during spring 2012, if the proposal timeline indicates the project timing will be completed in preparation for the fall 2012 proposal process.

As approved by the Board of Regents, the primary goal of the Blugold Commitment is to expand to all students the university's hallmark educational experiences. This expanded capacity will enable the University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire to achieve the following objectives:

- All UW-Eau Claire students, regardless of socioeconomic background, will participate in multiple high-impact educational practices before graduation, including at least one of the following: collaborative undergraduate research, global or multicultural study beyond the campus, and internships/practical experiences.
- Every freshman at UW-Eau Claire, working with faculty and staff advisors, will develop and regularly update a four-year graduation plan.
- The four-year graduation rate will increase from 23 to 40 percent.
- The University will achieve a student-to-faculty ratio of 19 to 1.
- Academic advising will achieve a 90 percent student approval rating.

Accordingly, special effort has been given to invest BCDT funds in base-funded faculty positions, and also in multiple-year projects, some of which have the potential to become base. To date, the BCDT program has successfully committed base funding of over \$6.5 million into approximately 45 faculty and academic staff positions.

PROPOSAL DEADLINES

Please submit your proposal electronically according to the deadlines below. The proposal form is available at: www.uwec.edu/bc.

Before October 13, 2011: Faculty and staff should consult with and submit proposals to their chairs or directors in time to accommodate the deadline below.

October 13, 2011: Department chairs and unit directors submit proposals to their respective dean, associate vice chancellor, assistant chancellor, vice chancellor or chancellor.

October 25, 2011: Deans, assistant vice chancellors, associate vice chancellors, assistant chancellor, vice chancellors and chancellor prioritize the proposals they receive and submit a ranked list, along with the proposals, to the Office of the Provost.

September 12, 2011

PROPOSAL PREPARATION

All proposers are encouraged to attend one of the workshops or drop-in sessions listed below.

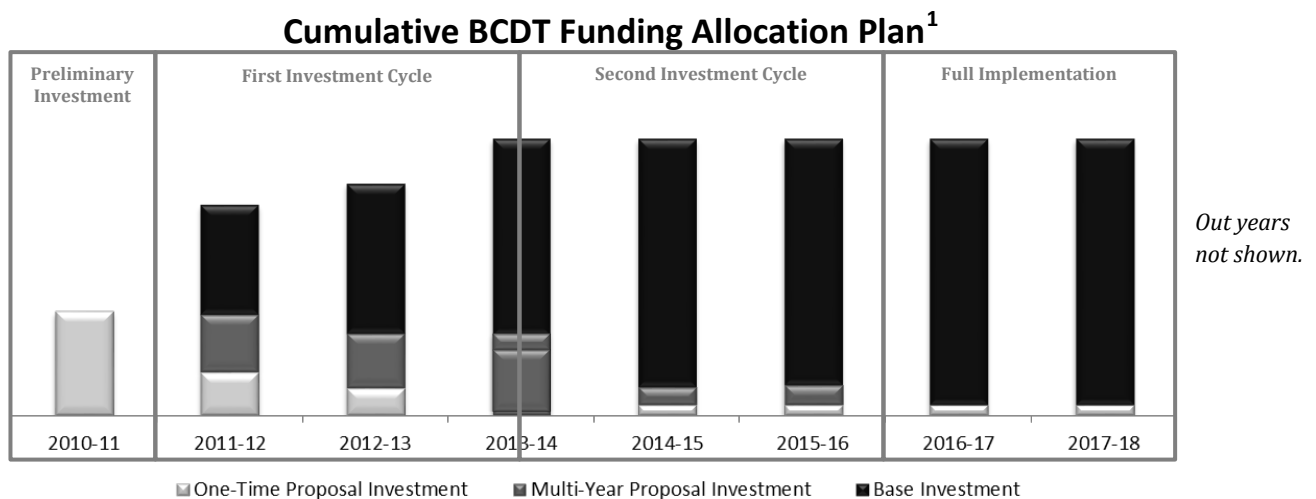
Proposal Workshop: Overview of the proposal process, what is expected in a successful proposal, and work with Academic Affairs staff to refine your proposal idea. Attend the workshop that fits your schedule:

- ❖ Thursday, Sept. 22, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. **Eagle Room in the Davies Center**
- ❖ Friday, Sept. 23, 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. **Eagle Room in the Davies Center**

Informal Proposal Discussion Drop-In: Bring your questions and ideas for personalized assistance. Drop-in hours are:

- ❖ Tuesday, Oct. 4, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **CETL, Old Library 1142**
- ❖ Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. **CETL, Old Library 1142**

MORE INFORMATION ON BCDT FUNDING



The preliminary allocation of BCDT funding in 2010-11 focused exclusively on one-time funding. The first investment cycle starts in the current year, 2011-12, and will end in 2013-14 with the conversion of proven, successful, effective multiple-year projects to base funding as of 2014-15. Not all multiple-year projects will be successful or cost-effective, thus those revenues will return to the central program for investment in future proposals.

Meanwhile, the fall 2011 process – determining funding for 2012-13 – will focus on one-time funding for proposal preparation related to the second investment cycle scheduled to begin in 2013-14 (see the FAQ document). This second investment cycle will end in 2015-2016, again with those multiple-year projects that have successfully demonstrated their “proof-of-concept” possibly converting to base funding as of 2016-17.

The 2016-17 academic year begins the full implementation of the BCDT program with nearly all funds invested as base dollars and only a modest innovation fund available for allocation as one-time funding. Based on assessment and campus need, it is anticipated that some base funding may again become available for multi-year investment in future years further out.

¹ Financial assistance funding is not shown.