Rippey Innovative Teaching Awards & Application Process

Rippey Innovative Teaching Awards, funded generously by an endowment established by Jim and Shirley Rippey, are intended to encourage and support the teaching of undergraduate courses by senior faculty members in the College of Arts and Sciences. The Rippey Awards go to faculty teaching a First-Year Interest Group, who collaborates across disciplines while teaching the College Connections course. Due to the terms of the award, at least one of the faculty members must be an associate or full professor in the College of Arts and Sciences.

The awards pay recipients \$3,000 (\$1,500 per year for a two-year commitment*). This is in addition to the \$2,000 paid by First-Year Programs to the faculty member for teaching the College Connections course. Rippey Awards may be taken as a stipend, or for any appropriate professional purpose. Additional funds (\$350 each fall term) are given to support academic activities outside of the classroom with the students in the FIG. Furthermore, a small fund has been established to support extraordinary student expenditures related to Rippey seminars. Participants may request support for up to two-thirds of the total cost, with no funding to exceed \$1,500.

Rippey Award recipients are selected by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. If you are interested in applying for a Rippey, please attach a paragraph to your FIG proposal explaining how you and the cooperating faculty member plan to collaborate. Faculty in the past have given guest lectures, worked on joint projects in the College Connections classes, taken students on field trips together, and synchronized their syllabi. Contact Amy Hughes Giard for more information.

Rippey recipients will write a short evaluation of their collaboration at the end of fall term, including a description of how support funds were used.

*Please note: faculty applying for the Rippey Innovative Teaching Award agree to teach the FIG for two consecutive years, although accommodations will be made for faculty leaves.

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