

# CALL FOR WEB REPRESENTATIONS OF ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP OF TEACHING & LEARNING (SoTL) PROJECTS



At ISU, we define **SoTL** as the “**systematic reflection/study on teaching and learning made public.**” Our focus is on studies (broadly defined) of the learning and developmental outcomes of our Illinois State University students. A critical characteristic of SoTL work is that we make it public. This call is for individuals to create web representations of a SoTL project about ISU students. These web representations of SoTL projects will be posted on the ISU SoTL website page of examples of SoTL work at <http://sotl.illinoisstate.edu/examples/>. You will also be able to share the link to your web representation with others.

The Cross Chair in the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning is sponsoring this mini-stipend program for Illinois State University faculty members and academic staff interested in submitting a Web representation of a recent scholarship of teaching and learning project\* related to the learning and/or development of Illinois State University students. **Up to ten, \$200 awards (a mini-stipend or operating funds) will be awarded this spring** to faculty/staff members who submit and have accepted a high quality web representation of a quality SoTL project.

Acceptable, high quality representations should include both of the following components:

- A detailed but concise, clearly written ‘abstract’ of your SoTL project with key information: the title of the project, the names of all ‘authors’, the teaching-learning problem or research question, some details about the students who were studied and your methodology, key findings, and selected implications/applications. This abstract should be about one-half to three-quarters of a page, single-spaced, in length. (If the work is by a team, submission should be from a ‘primary contributor’. Only this person will receive the stipend or operating funds, though team members may split the funds, informally, as they see fit.)
- A URL that links to your web representation of the project. The Web representation may be any one of the following BUT must be interesting, visually appealing, informative, easy to access, high quality, and with additional relevant links or interactive components: 1. A link to a web site about the SoTL project, 2. A link to a blog about the project, 3. A link to a video representation of the project, 4. A link to a site with a combination of the above. (Note, the text of a paper or presentation of the project may be a feature of any of the above but may not be the only feature.)

To submit your web representation, send an email to [kmckinne@ilstu.edu](mailto:kmckinne@ilstu.edu) by **April 1, 2012** with the materials above in the email and/or as an attachment and with the URL to the web portion. You should also indicate at that time whether you want the stipend or the operating funds. If accepted, you will be notified in mid to late April and the \$200 stipend will be put through the ipeople system in May or June, 2012 **OR** \$200 in operating funds will be transferred to your department for your use and must be spend by June 30, 2012.

\* As you are making the project public and human subjects are involved, these projects must have received IRB approval.