CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: 2021-2022 The Mack Center at Indiana University for Inquiry on Teaching and Learning

MACK CENTER FELLOWSHIP MENTORS

The Mack Fellows' work is at the very core of the mission of Indiana University's Mack Center for Inquiry on Teaching and Learning. The goal of the Mack Fellowship program is to promote and enhance the community of IU faculty engaged in the scholarship of teaching and learning, often known as SoTL. This year, the Mack Fellowship program will experiment with a new model: research teams. Rather than selecting individual Mack Fellow projects, we will identify two teams of 2-4 faculty members who consider themselves inexperienced in SoTL research. The teams of new Mack Fellows will be partnered with a prior-year Mack Fellow to complete a SoTL project. The work need not focus on a particular course or discipline; any organizing principle of interest to the team is great. Mentors will receive a \$1,000 stipend for their work. Each team will receive \$4,000 to distribute evenly for each member.

We are calling for mentor volunteers. Mentors need not have a particular team in mind, simply a willingness to support a group of less-experienced SoTL researchers as they refine their project, gather and analyze data, and prepare a publication. The FACET office will do the matchmaking based on skills, interests, geography, etc.

Eligibility

Mentors must be a previous year's Mack Fellow.

Application and Matchmaking Process

Those interested in volunteering as a mentor should send the following items to the FACET office at facet@iu.edu by November 30, 2021:

- 1. Current curriculum vitae
- 2. A brief statement indicating any particular restrictions or interests. For example, "I'm stronger with quantitative research methods than qualitative" or "I would like to help a project with a focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion."

Once the teams are selected, the Mack Fellow Selection Committee will choose the most appropriate mentor candidate based on the criteria listed above. The FACET office will contact the candidate to invite them to participate.

<u>Award Process and Mack Fellows' Responsibilities</u>

The mentor will receive the \$1,000 stipend once the project is complete. Team members will receive an equal portion of the \$4,000 stipend once all fellowship responsibilities have been satisfied. This includes giving a talk (generally a poster) at the FACET retreat approximately 14 months after project completion, and submitting a paper to a peer reviewed journal, usually two years later.

IRB approval

By their nature, most SoTL projects will need IRB approval. Some projects may have prior approval, but many will require a new IRB submission. The team members are responsible for submitting the project to their campus review board. Please send a copy of IRB approval to the FACET office, facet@iu.edu, once it is attained.

Timeline

November 30, 2021 Deadline for completed proposals and mentor

candidates

March 1, 2022 Applicants informed of decisions

(Accept, Decline, Resubmit with revisions)

March 15, 2022 Public announcement of new Mack Fellows and Mentors

August 15, 2022 Deadline for IRB approval of project

2022-2023 Most of the project should be completed during the academic

year

May 2023¹ Mack Fellows present in a poster session at the FACET

Retreat and Mentor receives stipend after project completion

May 2024¹ Deadline to submit an article to a peer-reviewed journal

TBD¹ Mack Fellows receive stipend after article submission

¹ These deadlines may be extended by one year, as long as a progress report is submitted to the Mack Center.