

UVU Faculty Summer Institute Project Proposal Guidelines

Faculty may propose a project in ONE of the following areas:

- Prior Learning Assessment for Credit-for-Prior Learning
- Embedded Credentialing in Existing Courses
- Project Based Learning in Existing Courses
- Development of CEUs for Continuing Education

A stipend of \$1500 will be paid upon completion of the project by May 23, 2025. To receive the stipend those selected for the Institute must:

- Attend and participate in the in-person Institute sessions on May 6, 2025, including morning & afternoon sessions
- Participate in a virtual “show & tell” session May 20 with fellow Institute participants
- Complete all proposed deliverables as outlined in their project proposal by May 23

All applications must be approved through your relevant department chair and associate dean (applications will be automatically routed to them upon submission).

A list of those accepted into the Institute will be publicly available online. Attendees at the in-person sessions may be recorded as the events are livestreamed to other institutions.

Questions?

Contact Miki Brent, Director of Articulations & Extended Programming, miki.brent@uvu.edu

Project Scope:

Prior Learning Assessment:

The most common forms of assessment that require some type of faculty evaluation at UVU include: challenge exams, portfolio reviews, skills assessments, and oral interviews. Qualifying projects could include writing a challenge exam, developing a portfolio process, creating a skills assessment and guidelines for following the rubric, developing an oral interview process and accompanying rubric, or a combination of any of these to meet the assessment needs of your targeted class or program. For more detailed information about each type of assessment, visit the Resource Tab on UVU’s CPL website at www.uvu.edu/cpl. Contact Colleen Sorensen colleen.sorensen@uvu.edu for questions as you consider this option.

Embedded Credentialing:

Qualifying projects should embed relevant credentials into an existing UVU course; either as accepted industry credentials (Google Analytics, HootSuite, or selected badging through Pluralsight, LinkedIn Learning, etc. For a list of some industry credentials, see

<https://www.uvu.edu/testingservices/industry-certifications/index.html>).

Competitive projects will:

- Require at least 10 hours for students to complete (example: a combination of LinkedIn Learning badges that total 10 hours)
- Enhance the student's learning experience with complementary skills (example: badges in user experience that students apply in creating a public-facing webpage about local history)
- Demonstrate that the applying faculty member has completed the credentials him/herself before proposing

Project-Based Learning:

We invite you to enhance your existing course by incorporating a project-based learning experience that connects students with an external partner. This approach engages students in meaningful, real-world problem-solving by working in teams to develop a deliverable that meets the needs of an industry or community partner. Through this experience, students will apply course concepts in a practical setting, gain valuable professional skills, and build connections beyond the classroom. To support you in this process, we have designed a structured approach:

1. Pre-Institute Work – Complete the first half of Project-Based Learning (PBL) training through four hybrid modules and a one-hour Riipen platform training.
2. During the Institute – Develop a PBL syllabus, including defined PBL outcomes, and build and publish the Riipen Experience to connect with an external partner.
3. Implementation – Teach the newly developed course in the fall, incorporating the project-based learning experience.

We will provide guidance and resources throughout the process to ensure a seamless integration into your course. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Beth Godoy at bgodoy@uvu.edu.

Development of CEUs:

Are you passionate about sharing your expertise and creating meaningful learning opportunities? Earn a **\$1,500 stipend** by developing a **20-hour Continuing Education Unit (CEU) course**. This is your chance to expand your impact beyond the classroom, contribute to lifelong learning, and enhance professional development for our community.

Spaces are limited, so don't miss this opportunity! We are especially interested in proposals from these priority areas (healthcare, finance, and business), and we welcome any ideas for workforce-relevant CEUs across all disciplines. Join us in shaping the future of UVU Professional Education.