

## 2022-2023 Competitive Grants Program

### *Award Recipients*

#### Center for Academic Innovation

##### **Piloting an Educational Escape Room**

**Total award: \$1,000.00**

*Award to assist in piloting and initiating WOU's educational escape room (EER). EER is a team based, face-to-face experience with digital support in which participants interact with disciplinary content to solve puzzles to accomplish a specific goal within a time limit.*

Submitted by Seyed Abdollah Shahrokni

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#### DEL

##### **Student School Experiences**

**Total award: \$500.00**

*Award to assist the purchase of materials for Pre-Ed candidates to conduct outdoor school at local elementary schools.*

Submitted by Karla Hale

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DEL Faculty, specifically Lin Wu, Andrea Emerson, Jaclyn Caires-Hurley

##### **AAPI Heritage Month Celebration Event**

**Total award: \$1,000**

*Award to support an Asian, Asian American, Pacific Islanders Heritage month event in May of 2023. Funding will go toward booking a suitable speaker to address anti-Asian racism, celebrate AAPI heritage, and center AAPI joy.*

Submitted by Andrea Emerson

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#### FEM in STEM

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**Total award: \$1,000**

*Award to assist the continuation of building a community of students, faculty, staff, and community members to support and celebrate our WOU STEM students of all underrepresented genders (fem+) through graduation and beyond.*

Submitted by Kristin Latham-Scott

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Gerontology: Aging and Older Adulthood Department/Western Oregon University  
Gerontology Student Association

##### **Careers in Aging Week 10 Annual**

**Total award: \$631.75**

*Careers in Aging Week is a nationally designated week that offers events in collaboration with the Gerontological Society of America, of which the WOU Gerontology department is a member.*

*The proposed program would include multiple activities and events throughout the week. The awarded funds will provide refreshments and miscellaneous needs for the program*

Submitted by Margaret Manoogian, Maya Herb, Alejo Ordinez Diaz

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## Library and Academic Innovation

### **A Diversity-Focused Image Collection for Higher-Ed Teaching and Learning**

**Total award: \$1,000**

*Award to create an open-access image collection featuring diverse students involved in academic settings and activities.*

Submitted by Janeanne Rockwell-Kincanon

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## Early Childhood Program, College of Education

### **Social Justice and Equity Workshop Series**

**Total award: \$1,000**

*Award to offset the costs of hosting a series of Social Justice and Equity Workshops by the WOU Early Childhood Program for WOU students, faculty, staff, potential students, education partners, and community practitioners.*

Submitted by Ya-Fang Cheng

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## Early Childhood Studies Faculty

### **Early Childhood Community College Visit Day**

**Total award: \$1,000**

*Funds in support of a community college visit day to WOU's Early Childhood Studies program for transfer students to see WOU, meet faculty, and experience campus in ways that make it feel possible for them to continue their education.*

Submitted by Andrea Emerson

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## Multicultural Student Services & Programs

### **Multicultural Inspiring Leaders**

**Total award: \$1,000**

*Given WOU's goal of becoming an HSI, MSSP would like to collaborate with other departments and invite an inspiring leader/motivational speaker with a historically underrepresented background; someone that can inspire our students of color, educate our community about DEIA and remind our students that they can be future inspiring leaders.*

Submitted by Luanne Carrillo-Avalos

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## New Student and Family Programs

### **New Student Week Prizes**

**Total award: \$1,000**

*Award to purchase prizes as incentives for students to engage and attend New Student Week educational events along with quarterly orientation events for WOU's incoming non-traditional and transfer students.*

Submitted by Shelby Worthing

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## Psychological Science

### WOU-Talmadge Middle School Mentoring Program

**Total award: \$860**

*Award to partially fund the WOU-Talmadge Middle School Mentoring Program allowing them to provide family events and small stipends to mentors to motivate middle school students' success and family involvement that strengthens the mentoring relationship.*

Submitted by Brooke Dolenc & Chehalis Strapp

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## Safe Zone

### GSA Visit Day

**Total award: \$1,000**

*Award to partially fund GSA day which brings LGBTQIA+ high school students and allies from around the state to campus to showcase WOU's inclusive campus programming and encourage students to apply and enroll at WOU.*

Submitted by Elizabeth Brookbank

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## Stitch Closet

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**Total award: \$1,000**

*Award to help purchase additional clothing racks, shelving and if able distribute to the Stitch Closet "giving fund".*

Submitted by Addie Bagwell

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## Dance Program

### Friday Dance Lab

**Total award: \$1,000**

*Award to fund a weekly series of masterclasses/workshops from dance artists from NYC and beyond.*

Submitted by Tim Cowart

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## Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs

### NSE Application Fee Waiver / Prizes

**Total award: \$800**

*Award to cover four (4) \$200 NSE application fees (\$800 total) for eligible WOU students applying for exchange during the 2023-24 academic year.*

Submitted by Emmanuel Macias

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## Division of Education and Leadership

### NWMC Student Travel Support

**Total award: \$1,000**

*Award to help support WOU students as they travel and present at the Northwest Mathematics Conference in Tacoma, WA on October 13-15, 2022.*

Submitted by Rachel Harrington

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## 16 grants awarded for a total of \$14,791.75

The Competitive Grants program is funded by unrestricted gifts to the WOU Foundation.  
The application deadline is in April with notification in July.