

KOLT Teaching Innovation Grants (TIG)

Koç University Office of Learning and Teaching (KOLT) is pleased to announce that the call for KOLT Teaching Innovation Grants (TIG) for Spring 2017 is open now. The program will award grants to the members of the faculty and instructors to develop their teaching practices in undergraduate and graduate classes in Spring 2017.

Deadline: Please submit your proposals to kolt@ku.edu.tr no later than **January 25, 2017**.

Funding: Each grant holder will receive 5,000 TL for their **unrestricted teaching/research** related usage to be used during Spring 2017. (All receipts should be submitted before the end of the semester)

The priorities of KOLT TIG for Spring 2017 include the following items:

1. Course design that promotes “**flipped classroom**” by using Blackboard;
2. **Course design** that promotes **active learning** and **critical thinking**;
3. **Curriculum enhancements** by faculty from different departments: qualitative and quantitative evaluation (survey, focus groups, interviews and observations) of courses in terms of learning outcomes, content, delivery and assessment to strengthen the link among sequence of courses;
4. Course design that uses **educational technologies** (course videos, online quizzes, clickers, vPads, wikis, blogs, podcasts, e-portfolios and social media) to develop online supplementary course resources, online assessment methods, collaborative activities on Blackboard (Koç University Learning Management Systems);
5. **Joint teaching projects** within Koç University or with external partners to start interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary faculty collaboration;
6. Any innovative solution to the problems raised in the **mid-semester course evaluation** of the applicant;
7. Preparing a new **COURSERA** course (a massive open online course);
8. Any innovative solutions for conducting course level assessment especially in respect to giving/receiving feedback.

Proposal Format:

Applications should contain a two-three page long narrative that **clearly addresses the following questions:**

1. Which of the KOLT TIG priorities from the above list will be considered in your proposal?
2. What is the **innovation** to be implemented?
3. What drives you to make this proposal? Does it intend to **solve a problem**?
4. What are the **expected outcomes** of this proposal? Please clearly state this in terms of your teaching practices before and after the proposal. How will you assess them?
5. What is the **impact** of it on your teaching and students’ learning?

Required attachments:

- Syllabus of the proposed course;
- Resources and support needed.

Evaluation: All proposals will be evaluated based on the following main criteria: innovation, improvement of course design, collaboration, applicability, sustainability and transferability to other courses.

Post Award Requirements: All grantees are required to give a workshop or join KOLT panel discussions to present their projects. Awardees will be provided with more details about this requirements.

Please visit our website to see the list of projects that received the Teaching Innovation Grant in previous years.